

Passover Resources for Families

Passover is the one Jewish holiday that is fun for every age! Below are some resources and ideas to make sure your Seder is engaging and meaningful for every person in your family, from the youngest toddler to the most seasoned member of your family!

1. **Passover Family Activities** (URJ, Union for Reform Judaism): <https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/passover-pesach/family-activities>
2. **Passover for Kids** (PJ Library): <https://pjlibrary.org/passover#activities>
3. **5 Ideas for a Child-Friendly Seder** (PJ Library): <https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/april-2015/five-crafty-ideas-for-a-fun-family-seder>
4. **Printable Passover Question Catcher** (PJ Library): <https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/march-2017/printable-pj-library-passover-question-catcher>
5. **Printable Passover Scene** (PJ Library): <https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/march-2017/printable-passover-scene>
6. **Engaging Young Children at the Passover Seder** (Jewish Education Center of Cleveland): <https://4.files.edl.io/e40a/07/10/19/202105-77054f45-caa0-4a3f-ae48-85613b386d4b.pdf>
7. **Guide to Passover for Interfaith Families** (18 Doors, formerly Interfaith Family): <https://18doors.org/wp-content/uploads/GuidetoPassoverforInterfaithFamilies-UPDATED-2019.pdf>

Below are additional activities you can add that will help children and your entire family think about the message of HOPE at your Seder:

1. **Create a Family HOPE Acrostic**
[Print out the HOPE Acrostic](#) and pass it around your table. Ask each person to add one hope for the future! Read aloud the entire Acrostic once everyone has participated!
2. **Create a Garden of Hope**
[Print out the sunflower template](#) and ask everyone as they arrive to your Seder to create a garden with messages of hope. Write a word of hope on each petal or in the center. Be creative: add construction paper, markers, scissors, crayons, etc. Build your garden as an additional source of inspiration for all of your guests (centerpiece on buffet table, on the fireplace, on the wall, etc.).
3. **Inspirational Message of Hope, Freedom & Leadership**
[Print out this page](#) and cut out each quote, place them around your table as inspiration (or even make them into name cards). Throughout your Seder, ask someone read a quote that speaks to him/her and why.
4. **Books to Inspire HOPE:**
Beautiful Hands by Kathryn Otoshi & Bret Baumgarten
Discuss: Our beautiful hands can do lots of things and we are going to put them to work. This Passover, we hope to use them for...
SAY Something! by Peter H. Reynolds
Discuss: God asked Moses to stand up to Pharaoh and say, "Let My People Go!" When we stand up and say something, we hope to make the world a better place. How can we be like Moses to use our voices?