

Year 4 Red Kites

RE Spring 1

Key Question:

How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?

The Passover

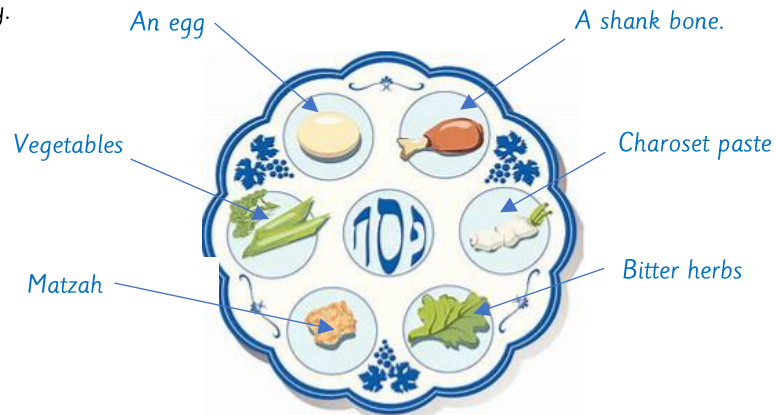
This is a celebration of the story of Exodus. During Passover, Jews remember how God rescued Jews from slavery when they were led out of Egypt by Moses. It is a Jewish holiday that lasts 8 days and nights. Jews celebrate with their families and special food is eaten to remember the story. You can read the story in the Book of Exodus, Chapter 12 in the Hebrew Bible, also known as the Torah.



Key Vocabulary	Definition
exodus	When a large number of people leave a place.
forbidden	Not allowed.
kashrut	The Jewish rules about food.
kosha Food	Foods that meet the requirements of Jewish rules and can be eaten.
non-kosha food	Foods that don't meet the requirements of Jewish rules and cannot be eaten.
mezuzah	A scroll which Jewish people keep inside a case. It is placed on door frames to constantly remind Jewish people of God's presence.
Passover	The story in the bible when God rescued the Jews from slavery. A yearly celebration.
sedar meal	A special meal eaten to remember the Passover.
Jews	People who follow the Jewish religion.
Torah	The Jewish Holy Book.

Sedar Meal

This is a meal Jewish people have to remember Passover. It consists of different foods including eggs, lamb, herbs, salt water, lettuce and apples mixed with wine. Each of the foods are used to remember different parts of the Passover story.



Kosher or Non-Kosher Food

Jewish people believe that the laws of food come from God and they can only eat kosher food.

Kosher food

Fruit and vegetables, eggs, dairy foods from kosher animals, grains. Fish, as long as they have scales and fins. They can eat meat as long as it has cloven hooves and eats grass. Chicken, turkey and duck are all kosher.

Non-kosher food

Pork and shellfish (crabs, lobster and prawns).

Jewish people cannot eat meat and dairy together.

Kosher and non-kosher foods have to be stored and prepared in different kitchens.

Bread

As Jewish people cannot eat bread that has risen, they eat a special type of flat bread which hasn't risen (known as unleavened bread) called Matzah.



Mezuzah

A mezuzah is a small decorated box that is placed on the right doorpost of Jewish homes to constantly remind Jews of God's presence. Inside the box is a parchment scroll with verses from the Torah inscribed on it.

