



PASSOVER BOOKS AT THE BETH SHOLOM LIBRARY

Cookbooks

Eisenberg, Penny W. *Passover Desserts*. (Macmillan, 1996; ISBN: 0-02-860999-9). Fifty recipes including cookies, cheesecakes, tortes, frostings, and sauces. There are also six different recipes for pastry crusts.

Friedland, Susan R. *The Passover Table*. Photography by Penina (Harper Perennial, 1994; ISBN: 0-06-095026-9). Beautiful photographs accompany recipes for entrees, soups, kugels and more. Includes an index and recipes for the Seder plate items.

Rouso, Nira. *The Passover Gourmet*. (Adama Books, 1987; ISBN: 0-915361-66-3). Recipes from different traditions and places like Morocco, Tunisia, Milan, and Rio de Janeiro.

Schulman, Zell. *Let My People Eat!: Passover Seders Made Simple* (Macmillan, 1998; ISBN: 0-02-861259-0). Besides gourmet recipes, this book includes preparation timetables, substitutions for Passover, six complete menus, and suggested wines to accompany the meals.

Wasserman, Debra. *No Cholesterol Passover Recipes*. (Vegetarian Resource Group, 1986; ISBN: 0-931411-14-9). Lighter, healthier choices include a vegetable nut loaf, cauliflower casserole, and fruit-nut chews.

FOR ADULTS:

Anisfeld, Rabbi Sharon Cohen, Tara Mohr, and Catherine Spector, editors. *The Women's Seder Sourcebook: Rituals and Readings for Use at the Passover Seder*. (Jewish Lights, 2003; ISBN: 1-58023-136-5). "Organized according to the order of the Seder, this collection provides the tools you need to bring women's voice to your Passover celebration."

Anisfeld, Rabbi Sharon Cohen, Tara Mohr, and Catherine Spector, editors. *The Women's Passover Companion: Women's Reflections on the Festival of Freedom*. (Jewish Lights, 2003; ISBN: 1-58023-128-4). "Jewish women from diverse backgrounds boldly consider the meanings of exile, liberation and redemption. These writings demonstrate the breadth and depth of women's midrash that has come to the forefront of Jewish tradition in the past several decades."

Bobker, Joe. *And You Thought There Were Only Four: 400 Questions to Make Your Seder Enlightening, Educational and Enjoyable*. (Gefen Publishing House, 2006; ISBN: 978-9652293664). Joe Bobker addresses amusing and fascinating questions you never thought about or perhaps always wanted to ask, but never did! Have fun this Pesach, entertain and enlighten your guests around the Seder table.

Bokser, Baruch M. *The Origins of the Seder: The Passover Rite and Early Rabbinic Judaism*. (University of California Press, 1984; ISBN: 0-520-05006-1). A scholarly review of Mishnaic literature that deals with wider historical and literary developments that have shaped the Seder.

Cohen, Jeffrey M. ***Let My People Go: Insights to Passover and the Haggadah***. (Jason Aronson, 2002; ISBN: 0-7657-6204-8). "An original interpretation of the central biblical sources of Passover with an analysis of ancient and modern perspectives on the themes of slavery and freedom."

Goodman, Philip. ***The Passover Anthology***. (JPS, 1973; ISBN: 0-8276-0019-4). "This volume tells the story of the Passover holiday and describes the various facets of its celebration in the Jewish home and community."

Greenberg, Sidney and Pamela Roth, editors. ***In Every Generation: A Treasury of Inspiration for Passover and the Seder***. (Jason Aronson, 1998; ISBN: 0-7657-6031-2). "A rich and uplifting anthology that brings together many highly creative and prominent contemporary writers including Ismar Schorsch, Elie Wiesel, and Joan Nathan, whose contributions serve to enhance the Seder experience."

Hoffman, Lawrence A., Editor. ***My People's Passover Haggadah: Traditional Texts, Modern Commentaries, Volume 1*** (My People's Series) (Jewish Lights, 2008; ISBN: 978-1580233545). This diverse and exciting Passover resource features the traditional Haggadah Hebrew text with a new translation designed to let you know exactly what the Haggadah says. Introductory essays help you understand the historical roots of Passover, the development of the Haggadah, and how to make sense out of texts and customs that evolved from ancient times.

Hoffman, Lawrence A., Editor. ***My People's Passover Haggadah: Traditional Texts, Modern Commentaries, Volume 2*** (My People's Series) (Jewish Lights, 2008; ISBN: 978-1580233460). This diverse and exciting Passover resource features the traditional Haggadah Hebrew text with a new translation designed to let you know exactly what the Haggadah says. Introductory essays help you understand the historical roots of Passover, the development of the Haggadah, and how to make sense out of texts and customs that evolved from ancient times. Framed with beautifully designed Talmud-style pages, *My People's Passover Haggadah* features commentaries by scholars from all denominations of Judaism. You are treated to insights by experts in such fields as the Haggadah's history; its biblical roots; its confrontation with modernity; and its relationship to rabbinic midrash and Jewish law, feminism, Chasidism, theology, and kabbalah.

Isaacs, Ronald H. ***Every Person's Guide to Passover***. (Jason Aronson, 2000; ISBN: 0-7657-6043-6). A comprehensive guide to the holiday including Passover in History, Preparing for the Festival, Matzah, Synagogue Celebration; the Haggadah, Passover Curiosities, Legends and Short Stories, and Passover Games. Also includes a glossary, a bibliography for further reading, and an index.

Olitzky, Kerry M. ***Preparing Your Heart for Passover***. (JPS, 2002; ISBN: 0-8276-0705-9). Defining Passover as a spiritual journey, Rabbi Olitzky reveals themes of gratitude, thankfulness to God for liberation, and wonder at the miracles of Passover, helping the reader reclaim the spiritual aspects of the holiday.

Parnes, Rabbi Stephan O., editor. ***The Art of Passover***. (Hugh Lauter Levin Associates, Inc., 1994; ISBN: 0-88363-494-5). Beautifully photographed artifacts of the holiday are accompanied by essays describing their use, history and significance. They include a Seder plate from the Terezin concentration camp, a Haggadah from 15th century Germany, and a modern Cup of Elijah.

Shapiro, Laurie. ***The Matzo Ball Heiress***. (Red Dress Ink, 2004; ISBN: 978-0373250530). From *Publishers Weekly*; Heather Greenblotz is the most down-to-earth heiress you're ever likely to meet. She's got a chilly, self-centered and travel-obsessed mother and a warm, self-centered and gay father; her cousin Jake, a real trooper, runs the family business, Greenblotz Matzo; her

cousins Marcy and Rebecca are covetous and litigious. Shapiro, author of ALA Notable Book *The Unexpected Salami*, deftly manages to keep her heroine above the fray: while Heather may be angry at her relatives, she is never bitter. But what's an heiress-albeit a very nice and hardworking one-to do when she discovers that the family business is in financial trouble and only she can save the day? Why, she throws together a last-minute Passover seder to be broadcast by the Food Channel. The only problem is that the cantankerous Greenblotz clan doesn't celebrate Passover. In a highly improbable sequence of events, Heather and her kosher heartthrob, cameraman Jared Silver, attempt to pull off the seder of the year, attended by, among others, a stoned intern, Heather's father's gay lover, the official spokesman for the Egyptian consulate and a young woman with the unfortunate surname of Hitler. There is plenty of humor in this novel, and while some of it flirts with slapstick, Shapiro rescues her characters' dignity, sometimes hauling them out of the abyss at the last moment. Heather's likable personality and work as an award-winning documentarian also help her to "keep it real," even as she trips along toward the inevitable happy ending of this amusing, irreverent novel.

Zion, Mishael and Zion, Noam. ***A Night to Remember: The Haggadah of Contemporary Voices***. (Zion Holiday Publications, 2007; ISBN: 978-0966474060). "A Night to Remember is a necessary, fresh, and wonderful addition to the world of haggadot. Beautifully conceived and designed, it enlists contemporary voices in original ways to illuminate Judaism's oldest and most widely observed rituals." --Rabbi Joseph Telushkin, author, *A Code of Jewish Ethics: You Shall be Holy*; and *Jewish Literacy*.

FOR YOUNGER READERS:

Board Books

De Paola, Tomie. ***My First Passover***. (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1990; ISBN: 0-399-21784-3).

Groner, Judy and Madeline Wikler. ***Where Is the Afikomen?*** Pictures by Chari R. McLean. (Kar-Ben, 1985; ISBN: 0-930494-52-0).

Groner, Judy and Madeline Wikler. ***Where Is the Afikomen?*** Pictures by Roz Schanzer. (Kar-Ben, 1989; ISBN: 0-929371-06-2).

Kress, Camille. *A Tree Trunk Seder*. (UAHC Press, 2000; ISBN: 0-8074-0735-6).

Lister, Claire, editor. ***My First Passover Board Book***. (DK Publishing, 2002; ISBN: 0-7566-0981-X).

Livney, Varda. ***What I Like About Passover***. (Little Simon, 2002; ISBN: 0-689-84491-3).

Wikler, Madeline and Judy Groner. ***Let's Ask Four Questions***. Illustrated by Nicole in den Bosch. (Kar-Ben, 2001; ISBN: 1-58013-071-2).

Wikler, Madine. ***Let's Have a Seder***. Illustrated by Miriam Sagasti. (Kar-Ben, 1997; ISBN: 0-929371-41-0).

More Passover Books

The Animated Haggadah. Photographed by Orit Itzhaki and Shuki Kook. (Scopus Films, 1985; ISBN: 0-944007-43-0). Hebrew and English text accompanied by photographs of clay figures bring the Haggadah to life.

Balsley, Tilda. **Let My People Go!** Illustrated by Ilene Richard. (Kar-Ben (Lerner), 2008; ISBN: 978-0-8225-7241-1). The ten plagues are recounted in rhyme, with a narrator, Moses, Pharaoh, Egyptians and a chorus taking part. While the narrator describes the plagues, the others offer comments or short dialog. The illustrations are wonderful: colorful, expressive, and humorous. For young readers who don't know about boils or locust, the pictures give context.

Chwast, Seymour. **Had Gadya: A Passover Song.** (Roaring Brook Press, 2005; ISBN: 1-59643-033-8). The charming illustrations actually tell two stories: one is the cycle of Had Gadya, with the characters appearing in the main pictures, and then lining up across the top of the remaining pages. The other is the preparation for the Seder, with the fire burning the stick in an oven to bake the matza, and the butcher killing the ox in his shop while a customer awaits her Passover order.

Feder, Harriet K. **Not Yet, Elijah!** Illustrated by Joan Halpern. (Kar-Ben, 1989; ISBN: 0-930494-94-6). "The prophet Elijah, traditional guest at the Passover Seder, impatiently waits outside the door until it is his turn to come inside and join the celebration."

Fishman, Cathy Goldberg. **On Passover.** Illustrated by Melanie W. Hall. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 1997; ISBN: 0-689-80528-4). "As her family prepares for Passover, a little girl learns about the many traditions which are part of the celebration of this holiday."

Fluek, Toby Knobel and Lillian Fluek Finkler. **Passover as I Remember It.** (Alfred A. Knopf, 1994; ISBN: 0-679-83876-7). "The author describes how her family prepared for and celebrated Passover in the years before World War II while living in Czernica, a small village located at that time in Poland."

Ganz, Yaffa. **Pesach with Bina, Benny and Chaggai Hayonah.** Illustrated by Liat Benjaminy Ariel. (Mesorah, 1991; ISBN: 0-89906-981-9). Brother and sister clean for Passover, burn the chametz, prepare for the Seder, and learn the story of the Exodus from Egypt. Includes order of the Seder and a glossary.

Geras, Adele. **Rebecca's Passover.** Illustrated by Sheila Moxley. (Frances Lincoln, 2004; ISBN: 978-1845071554). Rebecca is helping Granny Sarah make the food needed for the special meal called the Seder. As Rebecca and her brother work, Granny Sarah tells them the story of Passover: how God sent the ten plagues to the Egyptians and how Moses led the freed Israelite slaves through the Red Sea and across the desert.

Goldin, Barbara Diamond. **The Magician's Visit: A Passover Tale.** Illustrated by Robert Andrew Parker. (Viking, 1993; ISBN: 0-670-84840-9). A poor couple is visited by a special magician who provides them with everything they need for the Seder. This is adapted from a story by I.L. Peretz.

Goldin, Barbara Diamond. **The Passover Journey: A Seder Companion.** Illustrated by Neil Waldman. (Viking, 1994; ISBN: 0-670-82421-6). "Retells the story of the Israelites' fight for liberation from slavery in Egypt and explains the traditions of the Passover Seder."

Groner, Judyth and Madeline Wikler. **All About Passover.** Illustrated by Kinny Kreiswirth. (Kar-Ben, 2000; ISBN: 1-58013-060-7). "Retells the story of Passover and the Israelites' flight from Egypt and explains the traditions of the Passover Seder today."

Heymsfeld, Carla. **The Matzah Ball Fairy.** Illustrated by Vlad Guzner. (UAHC Press, 1996; ISBN: 0-8074-0600-7). A plump little fairy comes to the rescue with a magic powder to make the matzah balls fluffy, but Frieda Pinsky uses too much, which leaves her family floating over the Seder table.

Howland, Naomi. ***The Matzah Man: A Passover Story***. (Clarion Books, 2002; ISBN: 978-0618117505). From **School Library Journal**: In this Passover version of the "Gingerbread Man," a baker makes his last bit of matzah dough into a tiny figure that proceeds to run away. He encounters a variety of people and animals who enter into the cumulative chase, and each time he escapes, until young Mendel Fox convinces him to hide under the matzah cover, where he is broken and eaten by his pursuers.

Hoyt-Goldsmith, Diane. ***Celebrating Passover***. Photographs by Lawrence Migdale. (Holiday House, 2000; ISBN: 0-8234-1420-5). "Uses one family's celebration of traditions, customs and symbols of this Jewish holiday." Why is the father the only one without a kippa? Clear color photos of the Seder plate are excellent; photos of the family look posed.

Kimmelman, Leslie. ***Hooray! It's Passover!*** Illustrated by John Himmelman. (Harper Collins, 1996; ISBN: 0-06-024673-1). Extended family partake in a Seder. Look for the cats in every picture.

Kropf, Latifa Berry. ***It's Seder Time***. Photographs by Tod Cohen (Kar-Ben, 2004; ISBN: 978-1580130929). Kropf follows a preschool class through the preparation of a traditional meal to a reenactment of the story of Passover to the songs that conclude the classroom festivities.

Lehman-Wilzig, Tami. ***Passover Around the World***. Illustrated by Elizabeth Wolf. (Kar-Ben/Lerner, 2007; ISBN: 1-58013-213-8.) The customs and observances of Passover from many exotic places, as well as America and Israel, are described in this colorful book that also includes recipes, the history of the Jewish population in each country included, brief descriptions of a few more traditions, and a succinct glossary.

Levine, Abby. ***This Is the Matzah***. Illustrated by Paige Billin Frye. (Albert Whitman & Company, 2005; ISBN: 0-8075-7885-1). "Rhyming text and illustrations describe the activities of a young boy and his family as they celebrate Passover. Includes facts about the holiday."

Manushkin, Fran. ***The Matzah That Papa Brought Home***. Illustrated by Ned Bittinger. (Scholastic, 1995; ISBN: 0-590-47146-5). "A cumulative rhyme describes the traditions connected to a family's celebration of the Passover Seder."

Manushkin, Fran. ***Miriam's Cup: A Passover Story***. Illustrated by Bob Dacey. (Scholastic Press, 1998; ISBN: 0-590-67720-9). "A Jewish mother preparing for Passover tells her children the story of Miriam, the biblical woman who prophesied the birth of Moses."

Marcus, Audrey Friedman and Raymond A. Zwerin. ***But This Night Is Different: A Seder Experience***. Illustrated by Judith Gwyn Brown. (UAHC, 1980; ISBN: 0-8074-0032-7). Explanations of how activities that are done on other days are done differently on Passover. The last page summarizes all the differences, which make up the Seder.

Medoff, Francine. ***The Mouse in the Matzah Factory***. Illustrated by David Goldstein. (Kar-Ben, 1983; ISBN: 0-930494-19-9). "A mouse observes wheat being harvested, ground into flour, mixed into dough and baked into matzah."

Miller, Deborah Uchill. ***Only Nine Chairs: A Tall Tale for Passover***. Illustrated by Karen Ostrove. (Kar-Ben, 1982; ISBN: 0-930494-13-X). "Speculate in rhyme how to handle nineteen guests at a Seder dinner when there are only nine chairs."

Nerlove, Miriam. ***Passover***. (Albert Whitman & Company, 1989; ISBN: 0-8075-6360-9). "Rhyming text and illustrations depict the history of Passover and one boy's family Seder."

Newman, Leslea. ***Matzo Ball Moon***. Illustrated by Elaine Greenstein. (Clarion Books, 1998; ISBN: 978-0395715307). For Eleanor and her family, the highlight of Passover is having Bubbe

come and make her fabulous matzo ball soup. This year the recipe turns out so well that no one can enter the kitchen without sneaking a matzo ball from the pan?and there are so many trips to the kitchen that Bubbe falls short one matzo ball when it's time for the seder.

O'Connell, Rebecca. ***Penina Levine Is a Hard-Boiled Egg***. Illustrated by Majella Lue Sue. New Milford, Connecticut: (Roaring Brook Press (A Deborah Brodie Book), 2007; ISBN-13: 978-1-59643-140-9). Penina Levine is a hard-boiled egg because, as her grandmother says, "when the heat is on, we (Jews) don't turn to mush. We get tougher." Penina has refused to do the assignment of writing a letter as the Easter Bunny to a child in a younger grade. Taking this stand gets her a penciled zero in the grade book until it is done. When her parents find out the situation, they call the principal, a former colleague, who decides the teacher must address diversity. The class gets a visit from a student's grandmother, who survived the Holocaust by being hidden in a Catholic school, and the drama is resolved when the teacher apologizes and Penina, at the suggestion of her annoying little sister, invites Ms. Anderson for a Shabbat dinner.

Oppenheim, Shulamith Levy. ***Appleblossom***. Pictures by Joanna Yardly. New York: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1991; ISBN: 0-15-203750-0. Naphtali's father is adamantly opposed to getting a cat, but when Naphtali meets a stray under the apple tree, they devise a plan that take place during the Seder on the first night of Passover. (8-12)

Portnoy, Minda Avra. ***Matzah Ball: A Passover Story***. Illustrated by Katherine Janus Kahn. (Kar-Ben, 1994; ISBN: 0-929371-69-0). "Aaron can't pass up a chance to attend an Orioles game at Camden Yards, even though it's during Passover and he'll have to bring special food.

Poskanzer, Susan Cornell. ***What Can It Be? Riddles About Passover***. Photography by Rob Gray. (Silver Press, 1991; ISBN: 0-671-72725-7). "A collection of non-humorous riddles relating to the historical background of Passover and the way this day is celebrated."

Pushker, Gloria Teles. ***Toby Belfer's Seder: A Passover Story Retold***. Illustrated by Judith Hierstein. (Pelican Publishing, 1994; ISBN: 0-88289-987-2). "Toby invites her best friend, Donna Barker, who is Christian, and her family to the Belfers' Passover Seder, and the Barkers learn about the origins and customs of this holiday."

Rappaport, Doreen. ***The Secret Seder***. Illustrated by Emily Arnold McCully. Hyperion Books for Children, 2005; ISBN: 0-7868-0777-6). Jacques, a young French boy whose family lives as Catholics during World War II, attends a secret Seder with his father in a secluded cabin, where despite the danger and meager menu, the participants are inspired and hopeful.

Rauchwerger, Diane Levin. ***Dinosaur on Passover***. Illustrated by Jason Wolff. (Kar-Ben Publishing, 2006; ISBN 1-58013-156-5.) A helpful, yet clumsy dinosaur arrives as the family is preparing for Passover and proceeds to assist in all the preparations for and rituals of the holiday including grating horseradish, asking the Four Questions and searching for the Afikomen. The illustrations take the simple rhymes over the top as the dinosaur uses his tail to sweep as well as clean up some spilled wine.

Rosen, Norma, Anne Rosen and Jonathan Rosen. ***A Family Passover***. Photographs by Laurence Salzmann. (JPS, 1980; ISBN: 0-8276-0194-8). Dated photographs accompany the story of a family celebration of Passover including the cleaning, burning of chametz, cooking and Seder.

Rouss, Sylvia A. ***Sammy Spider's First Haggadah***. Illustrated by Katherine Janus Kahn. (Kar-Ben/Lerner, 2007; ISBN: 1-58013-230-8). Sammy Spider's Haggadah includes the story of Moses; the ten plagues and the exodus from Egypt; a check list for the Seder table; the Four Questions; the blessings recited over the candles, wine, matzah and bitter herbs as well as after the meal; and songs to sing as the house is cleaned of *hametz*, as the Seder plate is arranged, as you search for the *afikomen* and then eat it, and when filling Elijah's cup.

Rouss, Sylvia A. **Sammy Spider's First Passover**. Illustrated by Katherine Janus Kahn. (Kar-Ben, 1995; ISBN: 0-929371-82-8). A young spider makes a special contribution to the Shapiro family's Passover Seder while learning about shapes.

Schilder, Rosalind. **Dayenu! Or How Uncle Murray Saved the Seder**. Illustrated by Katherine Janus Kahn. (Kar-Ben, 1988; ISBN: 0-930494-76-8). "Deciding that a Passover Seder is too much work, Uncle Murray and Aunt Helene decide to skip some of the things they do every year. However, one thing leads to another and soon a joyous celebration is underway."

Schotter, Roni. **Passover Magic**. Illustrated by Marilyn Hafner. (Little, Brown & Company, 1995; ISBN: 0-316-77468-5). A girl and her relatives celebrate Passover with plenty of customary foods and a lively Seder.

Sherman, Ori. **The Four Questions**. (Dial Books, 1989; ISBN: 0-8037-0600-6). Beautiful color illustrations filled with animals accompany the exploration of the meaning of Passover, including the symbols of the Seder and the Four Questions.

Shulman, Lisa. **The Matzo Ball Boy**. Illustrations by Rosanne Litzinger. (Dutton Children's Books, 2005; ISBN: 0-525-47169-3). In this Jewish version of "The Gingerbread Boy," a matzo ball runs away from an old woman as she prepares her Passover dinner.

Simon, Norma. **The Story of Passover**. Illustrated by Erika Weihs. Harper Collins, 1997; ISBN: 0-06-027062-4). "Describes the origins and traditions of Passover, in particular the special meal called the Seder."

Swarts, Leslie. **A First Passover**. Illustrated by Jacqueline Chwast. (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1992; ISBN: 0-671-88025-X). A grandfather describes Passover in the former Soviet Union and the danger and secrecy involved. When the family immigrates to America, their celebration is especially joyous and symbolic.

Teutsch, Betsy Platkin. **One Little Goat – Had Gadya**. (Jason Aronson, 1990; ISBN: 0-87668-824-5). "After a little goat is eaten by a cat, troubles escalate until the Holy One puts things right. The song is sung at the end of the Seder on Passover."

Topek, Susan Remick. **A Taste for Noah**. Pictures by Sally Springer. (Kar-Ben, 1993; ISBN: 0-929371-39-9). "As his nursery school class prepares for Passover, Noah is reluctant to take part in making and tasting charoset, the Passover food made of apples and nuts."

Wohl, Lauren L. **Matzoh Mouse**. Illustrated by Pamela Keavney. (Harper Collins, 1991; ISBN: 0-06-026580-9). "While helping her parents prepare for the Passover Seder, nine-year-old Sarah cannot resist nibbling on the chocolate-covered matzoh."

Zalben, Jane Breskin. **Happy Passover, Rosie**. (Henry Holt and Company, 1990). A young bear celebrates Passover with her family.

Zalben, Jane Breskin. **Pearl's Passover**. (Simon & Schuster, 2002; ISBN: 978-0689814877). Linda Silver says: "A large family, neighbors, and a rabbi (all portrayed in loving domestic detail as sheep) play a role in the stories, recipes, crafts, and songs featured here. Zalben individualizes her characters through humorous touches that make the rather large cast easy to distinguish. The colored-pencil and watercolor illustrations of the vignettes are charming, and those that accompany the clear directions given for crafts and cooking are both helpful and inviting. Children will enjoy reading about Pearl and Avi and their twin cousins, Sophie and Harry ("the two terrors from Teaneck"); adults will appreciate the way that essential information about

the history, meaning, and customs of Passover is interwoven throughout the stories and activities.”

Ziefert, Harriet. ***What Is Passover?*** Pictures by Lillie James. (Harper Collins, 1994; ISBN: 0-694-00486-0). Jake and his family prepare for Passover and enjoy a Seder. Lift the flaps to learn more about the story of Passover.

Zolkower, Edie Stoltz. ***Too Many Cooks: A Passover Parable***. Illustrated by Shauna Monney Kawasaki. (Kar-Ben, 2000; ISBN: 1-58013-063-1). “Each time Bubbie gets diverted from making charoses for the Passover Seder, someone adds their own secret ingredient until the charoses is atrocious.”

Zusman, Evelyn. ***The Passover Parrot***. Illustrated by Katherine Janus Kahn. (Kar-Ben, 1999; ISBN: 978-1580130240). The Seder is interrupted when the family pet steals the afikomen and flies up into a tree.

Passover Related

Fireside, Bryna J. ***Private Joel and the Sewell Mountain Seder***. Illustrations by Shawn Costello. (Kar-Ben (Lerner), 2008; ISBN: 978—0-8225-7240-4). Civil War soldiers far from home plan a Passover Seder. They get permission from their regiment leaders, and begin to gather all the items they will need. Three Negro soldiers asked to participate, asserting that they can relate to the story of the slaves leaving Egypt. They cook the food, making substitutions when necessary. The soldiers conducted their Seder, with liberal drinking of the cider substituting for wine. The regiment leader tries matzoh ball soup, and the soldiers sing the songs they remember into the night.

Kessler, Brad. ***Moses in Egypt***. Illustrated by Phil Huling. (Rabbit Ears Productions, Inc., 1997; ISBN: 0-689-80226-9). “Tells how Moses grew up in the Egyptian pharaoh’s court, was chosen by God to be the leader of the enslaved Israelites, and called down plagues to convince the pharaoh to let the Israelites go free.”

Olswanger, Anna. ***Shlemiel Crooks***. Illustrated by Paula Goodman Koz. (Junebug Books, 2005; ISBN: 1-58838-165-X). “Based on a true incident in the lives of the author’s great-grandparents: two crooks, following the inspiration of Pharaoh’s ghost, fail to steal a precious shipment of kosher wines from Israel and lose their horse and wagon in the process.”