Resource Guide

A Sweet Meeting on Mimouna Night

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- Use Jewish text in everyday occurrences
- Make meaningful connections to families through Jewish values
- Enrich learning experiences for all ages





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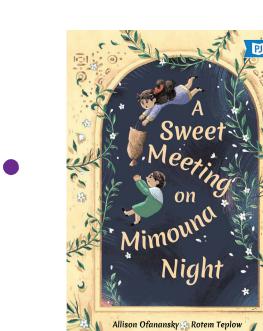
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In Morocco, the end of Passover has traditionally been marked by *Mimouna*, a festive celebration that features *moufleta*. Miriam's mother gets flour from her Muslim neighbors to make the sweet pancake treats. This time, Miriam and her mother get more than just flour – Miriam also makes a new friend!

Post-Passover Party

After abstaining from bread and other leavened foods for the week of Passover, many in your community are craving carbs like pizza, pasta, and bread. This year, incorporate some of the traditions and blessings of Mimouna that are shown in this book into an outdoor family celebration. Consider adding food trucks or other local vendors for added flavor for your feast.

A Year of Plenty and Good Luck for All

A traditional Mimouna blessing is for a "year of plenty and good luck," but many in our communities are lacking even enough, let alone plenty. As your community is preparing for Passover, set up a food drive with your local shelter, food pantry, or community fridge. As folks are shopping for their *seder* meals, have an additional shopping list available that includes the items most needed by those who could benefit most from holiday blessings.

Tell Your Story

There is a rich history of Jewish culture and traditions from Morocco and other parts of North Africa where Mimouna celebrations originated. If there are families in your community with roots in that part of the world, invite them to share those special rituals, recipes, and more through short videos that can be shown to children in education programs and their families. This could be the start of an oral storytelling project for school families to dig into their own unique backgrounds.

During Passover, Jewish families are instructed to welcome all who are hungry to come and eat, and in this lovely story that sentiment extends beyond Passover to a community-wide Mimouna celebration. The success of Miriam's family's delicious treats depends upon her (Jewish) mother's relationship with a Muslim family. This time of year is awash with religious observances in the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim communities and beyond. Host clergy members and educators from across the religious spectrum at a Shabbat service this month to share what ties these traditions together.

Interfaith Shabbat

PJ Library has everything you need for Mimouna and Passover at pjlibrary.org/passover