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IN EVERY GENERATION WE SHOULD SEE  
OURSELVES AS IF WE PERSONALLY CAME  
OUT OF EGYPT.

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# PJ LIBRARY PASSOVER RIVER RIDE

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**TAKE THE RIDE**  
Tell the Story



# THE PASSOVER STORY IN TEN SCENES



**1** Long ago in Egypt, a mean ruler named Pharaoh makes the Jewish people slaves. They are forced to do hard work, building cities and pyramids.

**2** Pharaoh orders all baby boys born to Jewish families to be taken away. But Moses' family floats Baby Moses in a basket on the river. Moses' sister Miriam watches over him when Pharaoh's daughter finds the baby and brings him to the palace to be raised.

**3** The Jewish people don't like being slaves at all. They are hungry, tired, and have no control over their lives. They cry out to God for help.

**4** Moses, all grown up, goes out from the palace and sees an Egyptian treating a Jewish slave badly. He stops the Egyptian. Now Moses feels that he, too, is Jewish, and runs away from Egypt.

**5** Moses is herding sheep when he notices a strange bush. It's on fire but not burning down. Amazing! He hears God's voice telling him to go to Pharaoh and demand that the Jewish people – Moses' people – be set free.

**6** With his brother Aaron, Moses goes to Pharaoh and says, "Let my people go!" Pharaoh answers, "Never!"

**7** God brings terrible plagues on the Egyptians: Water turns to blood. Frogs, wild animals, and locusts are everywhere. People and animals get sick. Hailstones fall from the sky. Everything turns dark. After each plague Pharaoh agrees to let the Jews go free, but then he changes his mind. Finally, after the tenth plague, Pharaoh frees the Jews.

**8** The time has come! With great excitement and nervousness, the Jews pack their things and rush out of Egypt. They go so fast that the bread they are baking in celebration doesn't have time to rise.

**9** The Jews *think* they're safe, but when they reach the big sea they hear Pharaoh's army chasing after them. Pharaoh has changed his mind again. The Jews are trapped. But then a miracle happens: The sea opens up, so the Jewish people can march across between two giant walls of water.

**10** The sea closes up. The Jewish people are free! They sing and dance and celebrate. At Passover every year we remember the miracle of freedom.





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I'll protect  
my baby  
brother.

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An illustration showing two men sitting on a grassy bank next to a blue river. The man on the left is orange-skinned and the man on the right is brown-skinned. They are both wearing white loincloths. The orange-skinned man is holding two pieces of flatbread, one in each hand, and is offering them to the brown-skinned man. The brown-skinned man is holding one piece of flatbread. There are two speech bubbles: one above the orange-skinned man and one below the brown-skinned man. The background features a blue river with white ripples, a green grassy bank, and several green, fan-shaped plants. A large, stylized orange number '3' is positioned in the lower-left area of the scene.

What do  
you want?  
We're slaves.

You call this  
bread?!

3



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Work  
harder!!



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Who...m-m-me?

Huh?

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Let my people go!

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# 7

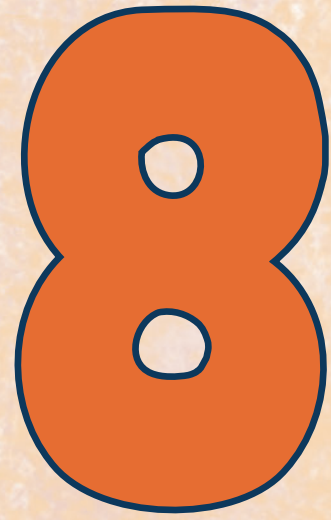
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Just...go.

Hurry! We're leaving!

Can I take my lamb and bread to go?



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# HAPPY PASSOVER!



We're free!



We're free!



We're free!



Next year in Jerusalem!



We're free!



We're free!



Elijah, what are YOU doing here?



We're freeeee!

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