



**Bible Heroes from Long Ago.
Introducing: Queen Esther**

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Esther becomes the New Queen of Persia.

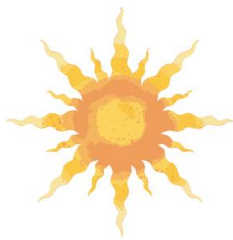


“Therefore, if it pleases the king, let him issue a royal decree and let it be written in the laws of Persia and Media, which cannot be repealed, that Vashti is never again to enter the presence of King Xerxes. Also let the king give her royal position to someone else who is better than she.

Esther 1:19

Queen Vashti had disobeyed King Xerxes, causing him extreme embarrassment, her to lose her royal position and a beauty contest to be held to find a new queen.

Young women were captured from every province in the kingdom of Persia. One of them was Esther, who would win the king’s heart and become the new queen. Little did the king know, Esther was one of the Jewish people that were living in captivity in Persia.



Some trouble is beginning to brew!

There was a Jewish man by the name of Mordecai who adopted Esther after her parents had died.



How was Mordecai related to Esther?

Decode the answer by using the chart below.

C-1 I-2 N-3 O-4 S-5 U-6

He was her .

1 4 6 5 2 3



When Haman saw that Mordecai would not kneel down or pay him honor, he was enraged. Yet having learned who Mordecai's people were, he scorned the idea of killing only Mordecai. Instead Haman looked for a way to destroy all Mordecai's people, the Jews, throughout the whole kingdom of Xerxes.

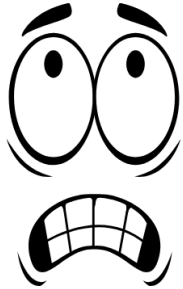
Esther 3:5-6



Haman was 2nd in command in the Kingdom of Persia. He went before King Xerxes and lied about the Jewish people, telling the king that they were disobeying his rules and that he wanted his permission to kill every one of them that were living in the kingdom.

A King's misguided trust.

King Xerxes trusted wicked Haman and allowed him to do whatever he wanted.



It wasn't long before an order was sent throughout the land that stated that all of the Jewish people in Persia would be eliminated on a specified day!

Fortunately, Mordecai heard about Haman's evil plan and alerted Queen Esther so she could tell the king what was going to be happening soon.



Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai:
"Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish."

Esther 4:15-16

When King Xerxes heard about what Haman was up to, he became extremely angry. As it turned out, only Haman would lose his life and thanks to Esther & Mordecai's brave actions, the Jewish people's lives were spared.



It's time for a Celebration!

Now that Haman's plot was foiled, the sounds of joy and feasting broke out all over the kingdom of Persia. In fact, a Jewish holiday was established and is still celebrated today!

Do you know what this holiday is called?

Decode the answer by using the chart below.

I-1 M-2 P-3 R-4 U-5

It is called: .
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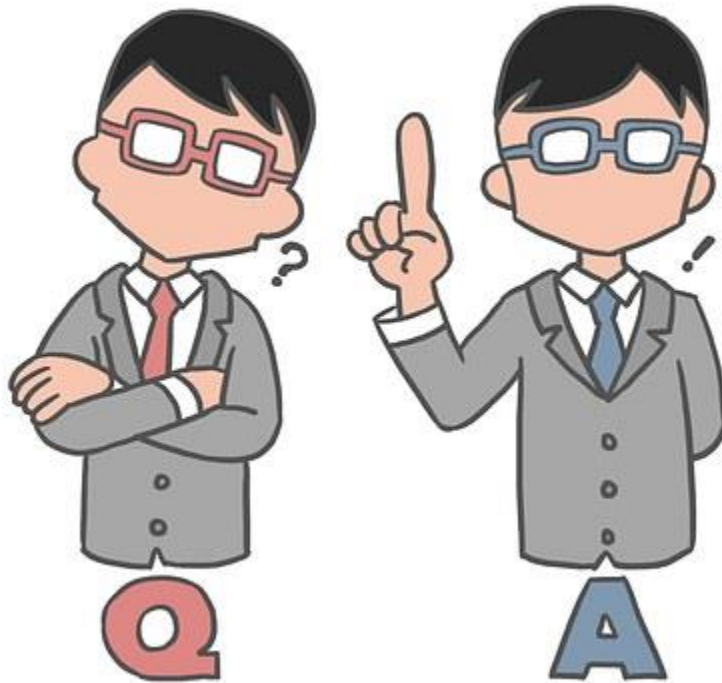
Those celebrating this holiday exchange gifts, give to the poor, enjoy feasting with one another and read the entire book of Esther out loud.



Unscramble the letters below to identify some delicious foods that you may find at a celebration.

APZIZ _ _ _ _ _
ECI MCREA _ _ _ _ _
NUTDOS _ _ _ _ _
CLIH _ _ _ _ _
KECA _ _ _ _ _
CHOSNA _ _ _ _ _

Answer Key



How was Mordecai related to Esther?

He was her cousin.

Do you know what this holiday is called?

Purim.

Unscramble the letters below to identify some delicious foods that you may find at a celebration.

Pizza, Ice Cream, Donuts, Chili, Cake & Nachos.

Queen Esther



So Long for Now

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