

MAKE A PASSOVER TABLE

On the table, you could also place other Passover symbols:

- A shallow dish of salt water (for the suffering and tears of God's people).

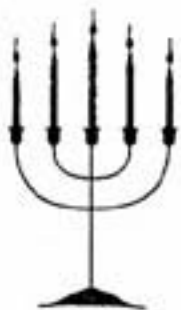
- Matzoh (unleavened bread). Flat bread is used because God's people did not have time to bake regular bread before they left Egypt. (If your grocery does not have Matzoh, you can use crackers.)

- A cup of grape juice (in place of wine).

- Candles.

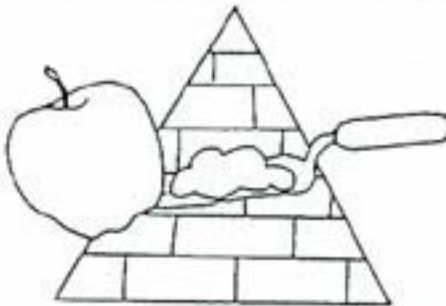
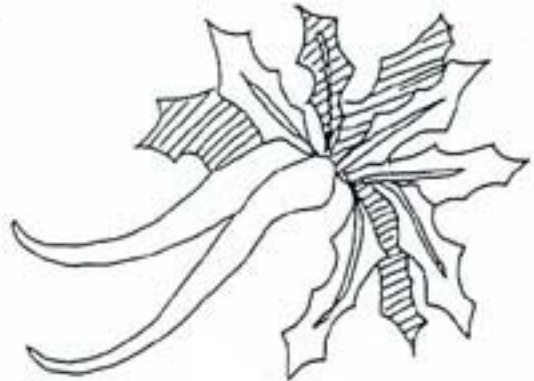
Arrange the items near your Seder plate, at the center of the table. At your meals, you might have someone read Exodus 12:1-14, which tells about the first Passover. Here is a prayer from the Passover celebration that you can use at your dinner:

*Blessed are you,
O God, King of the
Universe,
who have kept us
alive and brought us
to enjoy
this holy season.*



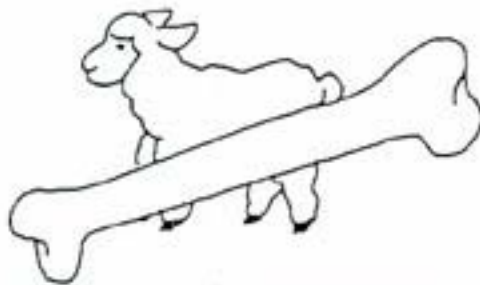
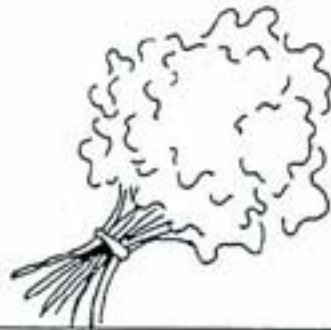
The Jewish people continue to celebrate Passover the way their ancestors have done for centuries. Families gather for a festive meal called the Seder. They prepare certain foods that remind them of the Hebrews' suffering in Egypt and of how God led them to freedom.

Bitter Herbs: for the bitter and cruel way Pharaoh treated God's people. The bitter herbs are usually represented by a horseradish, which looks like a small, white carrot.



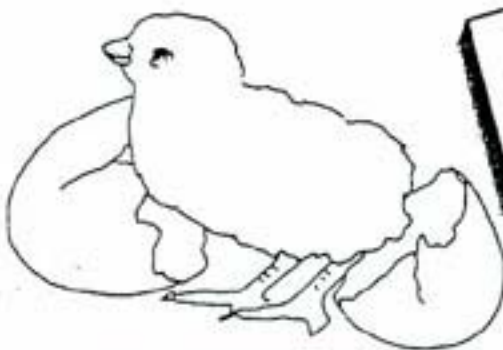
Charoses: for the clay God's people used in building Pharaoh's cities. Charoses is an apple salad made of finely chopped apples with cinnamon and a little grape juice.

Karpas: for spring and new life. The karpas, or green vegetable, is usually represented by parsley.



The Shankbone: for the lamb whose blood saved the people. Since lambs are no longer sacrificed, the bone stands for the whole lamb.

Egg: for spring, when we celebrate Passover.



CHAROSES
To make three small servings, mix together:

- 1 large apple, finely chopped (ask an adult to help)
- 1 tsp. cinnamon (a large "pinch")
- Optional: 1 cup raisins and 3 tbsp. chopped nuts.