Vocabulary Help:

- rise - לתפוח
- tradition - מסורת
- special dinner - ארוחה מיוחדת
- flat bread - לחם שטוח
- holiday - חג
- celebrate - לחגוג
- slavery - עבדות
- ancient - עתיק

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Passover (Pesach) Worksheet

Reading Text

The Story of Passover

Passover is an important Jewish holiday that happens in spring. It celebrates the freedom of the Jewish people from slavery in ancient Egypt. The holiday lasts for eight days. During this time, Jewish families have a special dinner called a Seder. At the Seder, they read the story of Passover from a book called the Haggadah.

On the Seder plate, there are special foods that help tell the Passover story. Matzah is a flat bread that reminds people of how the Jewish people left Egypt so quickly that their bread did not have time to rise. Many Jewish people do not eat bread or other foods made with yeast during the eight days of Passover.

Families also sing songs, ask questions, and share stories during the Seder. Children have an important role in the celebration. They ask the "Four Questions" about why this night is different from all other nights. One fun tradition is hiding a piece of matzah called the afikoman. Children search for it, and whoever finds it gets a prize!

Questions

1. How long does the Passover holiday last?

2. What is matzah and why is it important during Passover?

3. Why do you think it is important for children to have a special role in the Passover celebration?

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