

### Fill in the blanks.

1. days    2. advisor    3. kill    4. gifts    5. meals    6. lots  
7. speak    8. 13<sup>th</sup>    9. hated    10. half    11. lives

Haman was a very rich man in Shushan and an \_\_\_\_\_ to the king. He \_\_\_\_\_ all the Jews and wanted to kill them. Haman used \_\_\_\_\_ or *purim* to decide on a 'good' day to begin his evil plan. The date he chose was the \_\_\_\_\_ of Adar.

When Mordechai heard of his plan, he asked Esther to save the lives of the Jewish people and \_\_\_\_\_ with the king. Esther did not eat for three \_\_\_\_\_. Then she made two special \_\_\_\_\_ for the king and Haman.

On the second night, the king told Esther to ask him for anything she wanted. He wanted to give her \_\_\_\_\_ of his kingdom. Esther asked him only to save her life and the \_\_\_\_\_ of her people. The king did not understand and asked, "But who wants to kill you?" "Your advisor, my king," answered Esther. "Haman wants to \_\_\_\_\_ all the Jews. My uncle Mordechai and I are Jews."

