

Preparing Shmurah Matzah in Kfar Habad (Israel), 1972

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Shmurah Matzah is matzah that has been supervised from the time that the wheat for the flour was harvested until the baking is completed.



- What is special about Shmurah matzah?
- What is matzah made of?
- What is Kfar Chabad and who lives there?

Aviv Matzah Factory, Israel, 1990

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The company Matzot Aviv was founded in 1887 just outside Tel Aviv and was the first automated matzah factory in Israel.



- This is square, factory-made matzah. What other types of matzah are there?
- What are the special rules for baking matzah?
- What matzah do you like?



Yemenite Woman Prepares Matzah, 1969

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Yemenite matzah is fresher and more “doughy” than other types of matzah and must be baked fresh every day or two. As all types of matzah, it must be completed within 18 minutes to qualify as kosher.



- What do you know about the Jewish community of Yemen?
- When did the majority of the community move to Israel?
- What were the circumstances?

Selling Chametz, April 17, 1992

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Chametz may not be eaten, seen, or even owned during Pesach. A traditional halachic solution is to sell the chametz to a non-Jew until the end of Pesach.



- Why is chametz forbidden on Passover?
- How is selling chametz done?
- What other rituals are performed on the eve of Pesach that are connected to chametz?

Preparing Matzah Rolls in Subotica (Serbia), 1971

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The Jewish community of Subotica had 6,000 Jews before World War II. After the Holocaust 800 survivors moved to Israel, while a small community remained.



- Find Subotica on Google Maps. What country is it today?
- What was the fate of the Jewish community of Subotica during the Holocaust?
- How many Jews live in Subotica today?

Let My People Go Rally with Golda Meir, 1969

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This photograph depicts a solidarity rally in Tel Aviv in support of the campaign to free Soviet Jews.



- Who is the main speaker of the rally?
- What was situation for Jews in the Soviet Union at the time?
- What is the source of the slogan "Let my people go"?

Moroccan Jews Celebrating Mimouna

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Mimouna is a festival celebrated by Jews of Morocco and North Africa the day after Pesach.



- Who are the people in the picture?
- How are they dressed?
- How do Jews celebrate Mimouna?



A Boy Eating Matzah, Europe

The NLI collection

This is a 19th-century European postcard featuring a boy eating matzah. The title above is Ma Nishtana Halayla Hazeh (How is this night different from other nights?), one of the 4 questions from the Haggadah.



- Look at the boy's clothing. Which country do you think he was from?
- What shape are the matzot in the photograph?
- Are they similar or different to the ones you buy today?

Soldiers celebrating Passover in Seoul, South Korea, 1952

The American Jewish Historical Society



In 1952, during the Korean war, the Passover Seder was organized for Jewish soldiers served in American troops. Two Jewish chaplains created a special Haggadah and provided soldiers with matzah and kosher wine.



- Who is a chaplain?
- What are the special features of celebrating a holiday during the war?
- Why was it important for Jewish soldiers to celebrate Passover in the army?

Map of the Desert Journey

The Eran Laor Cartographic Collection



This map describes the journey the Israelites took from Egypt to Israel, including the forty stops they made along the way. It also depicts a number of the events that occurred during the journey.



- Why did the cartographer choose to depict the Exodus?
- What geographical features can you identify on the map?
- Are there any geographical features missing?