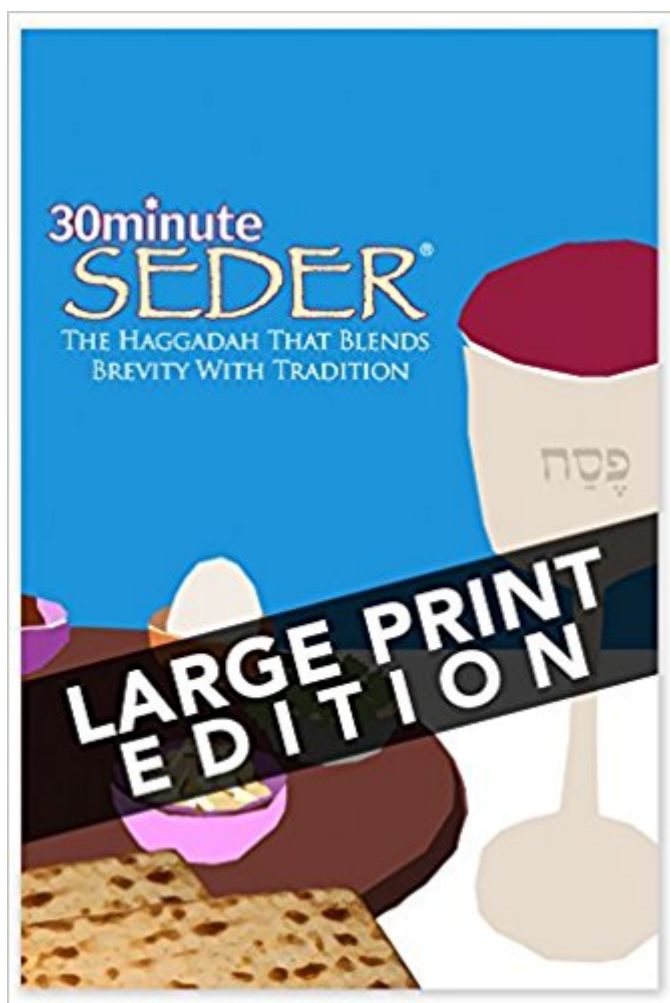


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30 Minute Seder: The Haggadah That Blends Brevity With Tradition (Large Print)



Synopsis

This is the easy-to-read large print edition of the 30 minute Seder Haggadah Perfect for the leader of the Seder or those having trouble with small print Contains exactly the same content as the standard edition Haggadah Refreshingly brief, and Rabbinically approved, this 8.5 x 11 large print edition of our gender-neutral, family friendly book appeals to new and experienced Seder participants alike. 30minute-Seder puts an end to the jumbled, chaos that occurs when skipping around a traditional Haggadah. No more, "What page are we on?" or "When do we eat already?" ã ã 30minute-Seder contains simple directions so even new participants know what's going on. Hebrew prayers are also provided with transliteration.

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Customer Reviews

In the 15 years since becoming a grandparent, and in the years before when our children were small never have I seen children so eager to participate in the reading of the Hagaddah. As a child, I suffered through hours of prayers, tedious rhetoric and information that I didn't understand. Last night, our grandson who is about to be bar mitzvah, led the [30 minute] Seder. You can't imagine how wonderful it was to see our grandchildren happily engaged in a ritual I dreaded. He is going to do it again this evening, and we will be as proud tonight as we were last night. But best of all he was so pleased with himself. Thank you for making hours of torture into a pleasant experience for all. Please feel free to use this email as a testimonial. --Gail B. Just Perfect - All I can say is that this 30 minute Seder Haggadah is just perfect. It's simple, easy to understand and great for busy homes. This is the second time we used the haggadah and allowed us to enjoy the whole experience.

Doesn't skimp on the important parts, provides good explanation and allows everyone to participate. I recommend it whole heartedly and I think it's perfect for families with small children who need to move through the telling fast. --.com

Keep the tradition alive, but in a simplified fashion - My father always led the family Seder. He used an old-school Haggadah (very lengthy), but when the tradition of leading the Seder was passed along to the next generation (my brother and I), we found the old Haggadah too involved. Unlike our father, who knew exactly where to go in the old Haggadah to cover the key parts of the Seder, we spent way to much time searching for what we wanted (and unfortunately, missing much of what we wanted, too). After this experience, I went on-line looking for a simpler Haggadah. I found this one, with a number of good reviews. I ordered one copy, and after looking through it, I have now ordered 15 more. The Haggadah covers the key parts of the Seder, with an emphasis on explanations of the symbolism and meaning of the the things covered in the Seder. For our family, not well-versed in the intricacies of our religion, but certainly wanting to keep this tradition alive, this Haggadah is just right. --.com

Excellent - We usually attend someone else's Passover, but last year the plan changed and I was thrust into the role of Leader of the Seder. We are not a very religious group (some of us are not even Jewish) so we were seeking an experience that would be respectful of tradition and the meaning of Passover while not giving us more detail than we wanted. We did not want some sort of new-age "Passover for Dummies" where the significance and essence of the holiday and its history are dumbed down or lost. We found that this "30 Minute Seder" Haggadah provided exactly the right balance for us. --.com

Robert Kopman has a long history of community involvement. He studied Jewish law and history in Jerusalem and is an expert on Passover Seder traditions. Originally from Brooklyn, New York, he currently resides with his wife and children in Scottsdale, Arizona.

This year we ordered a bunch of different haggadot in search of a replacement for our Maxwell House ones. Initially, we liked this one...its thinness was appealing, the pages are bright and colorful and extremely visually engaging, and it didn't include all the extraneous text that makes seders feel so insanely long. But when we really sat down and went through it page by page...we just felt rushed and harried. The pages that at first were so visually engaging now felt like they were trying to pack in as much information as possible in as few pages as possible. Some details or readings we like were too condensed, or omitted entirely. There's virtually no Hebrew, and the book opens like an English book rather than a Hebrew book. The pictures and illustrations all felt very slick and modern...but we didn't feel anything historical or traditional tying us to earlier generations. It made

us feel like the entire purpose of this book was to get through the formality of the seder ASAP to get to the meal...not to relax and enjoy the rich and complex story of Passover.

So close to being a decent stab at a brief haggadah. Inexplicably, despite mentioning at the first handwashing that there's no blessing that time, the second handwashing is completely omitted. There's also no indication of where the meal is supposed to fall, and I don't think there's anything about benching after the meal either. I wondered if I was missing a couple of pages, but they're numbered and there's no gap. Maybe I got a bad printing? Either way, I can only review what ended up in my mailbox. The search for a haggadah that doesn't completely suck continues apace. Weirdly, this also reads left-to-right, page-wise. I get that maybe it's done for accessibility, but it's got Hebrew in it, so I assume the target audience is at least familiar with the idea that Hebrew reads right to left.

The VERY BEST thing about this haggadah was that it is available in Braille!! Our 38-year-old daughter (blind since childhood) could finally read along and participate. The book was also a big improvement over my husband's "edited down" version of our old, very traditional haggadah. We had small grandchildren at our seder so there were interruptions and it probably took us longer than 30 minutes to complete, but this haggadah hits all the important parts of the story, uses plain language and made the Passover story accessible to all.

been using for 3 years now. actually takes us about 45 min but maybe we read more than what's intended. no complaints from anyone including older, more traditional guests.

This was a wonderful booklet and was extremely informative. When you have young children that want to get involved with religious holidays, sometimes observance does not quite inform the depth of religious importance and questions can be difficult to address accurately. This was a wonderful book for my nieces and nephews and was an easy read for them. I enjoyed this book, also.

We liked using the 30 minute seder Haggadah this year - we found it easy to read and understand and it still included the main thrust of the holiday and its significance without sacrificing a lot of the meaning, however shorter. I like that you included the songs and would prefer more songs included. The only thing we had a problem with was the interpretation of the parting of the red sea which the English text you included alludes to happening because of wind. I've never heard that before - the

parting of the red sea happened as an out and out miracle! Thanks - it didn't take 30 minutes, maybe because of our own reading and interruptions, but....it was a good improvement on the longer service.

Perfect for our Seder which has a mix of religious backgrounds and ages. It says all the important things that everyone needs to remember.

This small book was very helpful to me while I explained the significance of Passover to many friends who aren't Jewish. They asked me many questions which were answered in the book and even suggested that we hold a Seder next Passover since it appeared so interesting to them. Being a Secular Jew, I told them that it wasn't likely that I would do that but I'd be happy to share the book with anyone who wanted to try.

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