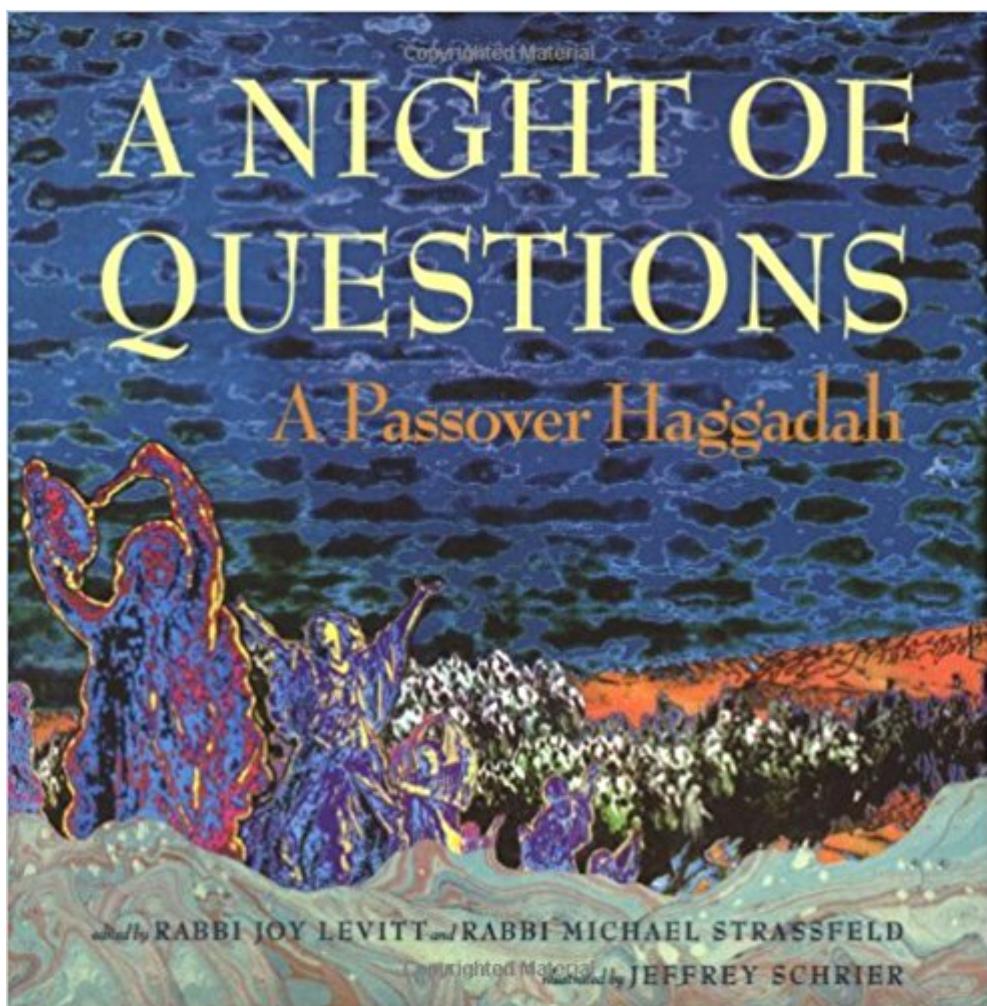


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Synopsis

A Night of Questions is a unique four-in-one Haggadah that includes outlines for customizing a Seder for the people present at the table. The four menus include a Seder for young children, a Seder for older children with adults, a Seder for groups of diverse backgrounds (including those who are not Jewish), and a Seder focusing on the role of women. The Haggadah also features special color-coded graphic icons that highlight the different types of readings such as kavanot, which are introductions to the text that set the tone for the text, and readings for children. Readings and songs are drawn from a wide variety of sources, representing the diversity of the Jewish community and the world in which we live. Accompanying the text is compelling new artwork by Jeffrey Schrier, which itself serves as a commentary on the Haggadah liturgy. This 10th Anniversary Hardcover edition is a great gift for a special seder. Give this as a gift to a host or a long-time congregational supporter, or just a friend who wants a beautiful and durable copy of this Passover classic. 'This publication of the 10th anniversary edition is a celebration of the impact of A Night of Questions and a tribute to its continuing and special role in enabling Jews to gather to enact an ancient ritual and create new Jewish meaning' - Carl Sheingold, EVP of the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation.

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Very accessible. Brings forward into the present day the ritual of the Seder from all its historical meanings. Includes variations and creative ideas for making the Seder appropriate for different groups. Helps you rethink the language and offers insights from religious leaders along the way.

If you're looking for a Haggadah that provides several different options for Seders, then this is the one for you. If, however, you want a straight forward one; it's not. We like it because we like changing the service around each year, and it offers so many interesting readings geared to various age groups and levels of religious needs.

words and illustrations ... BEAUTIFUL!

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Very understandable and wise haggadah that takes into the changes in our culture to include more emphasis on women's roles, multi-ethnic references, and a fun approach for children. What a change from that old Maxwell House haggadah!

I have somewhere between 20 and 30 different Haggadot. A Night of Questions is not only one of the richest and most thought-provoking in my collection... it is also the most user-friendly. It's the only one that has a table of contents that breaks down the Maggid section into its familiar parts (4 Children, Dayenu, etc.) The outlines of 4 different types of seders in the back of the book are very helpful. There's something here for every one. The commentaries address the hard questions that are likely to arise in the minds of those who are really thinking about what we are saying, such as: "Would it really have been 'enough for us' had we come out of Egypt and not been given the Torah and not come into the Land of Israel?" IMPORTANT NOTE: I see that is showing this as 4-6 weeks delivery. I know that they are available from the publisher and you'll have them in time for Passover. Check out [...]"

A Night Of Questions is accessible, hands-on and beautifully illustrated. Written so children can understand, this haggadah is a must-have for every Jewish home.

Rabbis Joy Levitt and Michael Strassfeld have spent several years updating the Haggadah of the Reconstructionist movement, which was last revised in 1941. This Haggadah, which sold out of its first printing of 15,000 copies, in just a few weeks, offers more of a narrative story for the Passover seder (more of a story than the rabbinical commentary format that is found in more traditional haggadot). It also offers the family gender neutral language, does not refer to the Hebrews as a "chosen people", has the story of the four children instead of the four sons, and includes new traditions, such as "Miriam's cup."

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