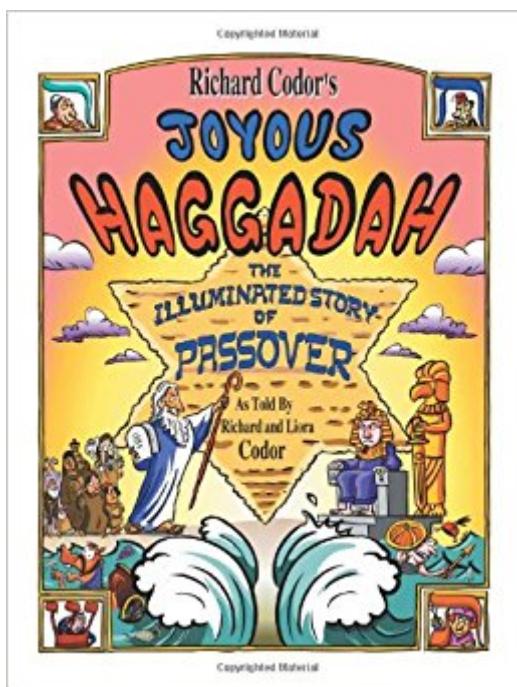


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# Richard Codor's Joyous Haggadah: A Children And Family Cartoon Haggadah For Passover Seder



## Synopsis

Richard Codor's Joyous Haggadah: The Illuminated Story of Passover. A concise modern Haggadah children's haggadah, this is a great family haggadah for beginners or anyone who spends seder night with children. Illustrated in a cartoon style and written in a light humorous manner. Alan M. Tigay, Executive Editor, Hadassah Magazine: No cartoonist can match Richard Codor for his whimsical sense of humor and his understanding of the Jewish world. His Haggadah promises to bridge the greatest divide in the Jewish world: between adults and children. Peninnah Schram, storyteller and author of Jewish folktales What a delightful romp through the seder via this Joyous Haggadah! The multi-layered narrative and rituals in this haggadah appeal to the eye, the imagination, the funny-bone, and the occasion. Beginning with the prequel of the Joseph story, continuing until the Israelites gain their freedom, and ending with more symbolic rituals and song, the combination of telling the story and conducting the seder is presented clearly with charming and wacky humor (in both words and visuals). The cartoon-like illustrations not only enhance the story but will also add to a memorable and joy-filled shared family experience! About the Authors: Richard Codor makes a living drawing humorously. His illustrations appear regularly in Hadassah Magazine and he was editorial cartoonist for Crain's NY Business and NY Observer. His work is featured in the books The Big Book of Jewish Humor (Collins), All You Want To Know About Sabbath Service (Behrman House), and in Israel (where he lived and worked for the Television Authority and Jerusalem Post), the social satire classic, Zoo Eretz Zoo (E.L.S. Editions). His storyboards are used in numerous multiethnic, politically correct and incorrect movies, TV and Internet media such as Doug, Lizzie McGuire, Robots, and Queer Duck. He is a recipient of multiple Jewish Press Association/Rockower Awards for Cartooning and the first Charles Schulz Prize. Liora Codor is a senior staff photographer for Macy's and shoots for their national catalogs and advertisements. She was born in Haifa, Israel and ran her own successful commercial photography studio. She is also a realistic painter and still life photographer. A keeper of traditions, she and Richard are the parents of two and live in Brooklyn, NY.

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Excellent haggadah! This haggadah has all the traditional parts of a hagaddah--all the prayers in English, Hebrew, and transliterated. It even has 2 hand washing -- which no one does. Illustrations are great, haggadah is a lot of fun. The 9 year old girl loved it and read about 40% out loud at our seder. The 6 year old boy was less engaged. Adults all enjoyed it. This will be our family haggadah. I wish it started with the candlelighting but we added that in. Also, being a feminist I wish it had an orange on the Seder plate and Miriam's vessel. Again, we added those in. Maybe they will add them in new editions - Hint, hint!

Richard Codor's Joyous Haggadah is the BEST Haggadah for 1) Children 2) Inter-faith seders. Why? 1) Style - Richard Codor's Joyous Haggadah is created by a cartoonist. Every year my kids start reading it as soon as the table is set. They can't even wait for company to arrive. The colors are bright and happy. The Haggadah is inviting. 2) Simplicity - Great writers take big ideas and explain them simply. Richard Codor is the FIRST Haggadah author who explains the Passover story in a way that everyone at my table can understand. As a result, we all have a deeper appreciation for Passover. We had everyone participating and taking turns reading...from first graders to guests in their 80s. 3) Language Balance - Too many Haggadahs miss the mark with English/Hebrew balance. This one strikes the perfect balance. 4) Brevity - Richard Codor's Joyous Haggadah can be read, cover to cover, in about 1 hour. This is the PERFECT duration for a seder.

with children. No squirming.

I host a seder with mostly low-key Jews, including a bunch of younger children. We enjoyed this haggadah, and I even caught m 7-year-old reading it before the seder because he thought the pictures were cool. I had purchased a few and will now get a few more so we can use it for the next few years, in fact. I am however only giving it a 4-star rating because we felt a bit of the explanations were a bit curt. I am going to add a few inserts for next year after reviewing a bit more to cover what I feel is missing. And perhaps in the future we'll switch to something a bit more substantial. All in all though, it was enjoyable and I would recommend especially if you're looking to keep the seder on the short side.

Incredibly charming and fairly thorough. We've been using these for years, from when my kids were 3 and 5 until now, 6 and 9. Kids love the pictures and stay engaged through the meal. We've used with non-Jewish guests, who've had an easy time following along. Def. not for people who want everything perfect, or prefer a more serious mood.

Our children ages 6 - 8 really enjoyed the "Joyous Haggadah". It has great illustrations and it does a nice job of telling the story of passover story. For me this last part was most important. In the past I used a more traditional haggadah read a separate book to tell the story. The problem I have with traditional haggadah's is they spend too much time on the symbolism of the seder and not enough on the actual story of deliverance from egypt. As some reviewers have noted, it is brief. I think it took us about 30 minutes. I find the short works best to keep the children engaged for the duration of the seder.

This Haggadah is the best! I had originally ordered it a few years back when my granddaughter was coming for Passover. This year, I was having 12 adults for Seder, many of whom were non-practicing Jews who hadn't been to a Seder in years. They absolutely loved it! The Seder was a huge success due, in part, to your beautifully illustrated easy to understand Haggadah.

My family, which always plows in misery through the trad haggadah, loved this haggadah! And my sister asked to buy extras as gifts. This was a hit!

We loved this haggadah for our interfaith, laid back but excited passover seder. It was fun for all of

use to use (kids and adults), and was informative enough without going into too much detail. The comic book feel was great. We will definitely use this haggadah in years to come. I'll be ordering more copies.

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