

Hands-On...

Seder Plates

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You'll Need:

1. Paper plates
2. Clip-art

Re-size the picture of a seder plate so that it fits on a paper plate. Print, cut out, and glue to plates.



Print clip-art for each item on the seder plate: egg, parsley, horseradish root, shankbone and charosets; cut out and laminate.

Make a set for each student in the class. Sit on the floor in a circle and pretend that the floor is the seder table. Put a plate on the floor in front of each student and give them the seder plate items. As you sing the song, the students select the correct item and place it on the corresponding picture on the seder plate.



It's Time to Fill the Seder Plate

to the tune of "London Bridge is Falling Down"

It's time to fill the seder plate,
seder plate, seder plate;
It's time to fill the seder plate,
soon we'll celebrate!

Put charosets on the plate,
on the plate, on the plate;
Put charosets on the plate,
soon we'll celebrate!

(egg, maror, parsley...)

Put the shankbone on the plate,
on the plate, on the plate;
Put the shankbone on the plate,
NOW LET'S CELEBRATE!

Then sing Dayeinu!



Teaching Tips:

With 2-3 year olds, you are using the song as a way to giving directions and making it a music game. Ask them to hold up a seder plate item when you sing about it and then to put it on the plate.

With 4-5 year olds, end each verse with: "now let's CONTEMPLATE," and ask what the item represents. Of course, preface the song by defining the word "contemplate" – to think very hard.

Matzarena

to the tune of "The Macarena"

I am so glad
that it's time to eat matzah
It's so crunchy, it's so good
and it comes in a boxa;
I am so glad
that it's time to eat Matzah,
hey, Matzarena!

