

# חג פורים שמח! Purim Sameach!

Purim isn't just another holiday—it's a full-on joy explosion, where we embrace holy madness, festive chaos, and deep spiritual meaning. As a rabbinic holiday, the sages shaped its celebration through 4 mitzvot that transform this day into something truly unique. To share the joy & meaning of the day, print this and add it to your mishloach manot!

## SEUDAT PURIM

### Feasting & Festive Confusion

We're commanded to have a lavish Purim feast, complete with good food, company, and, for those who partake, some celebratory drinks.

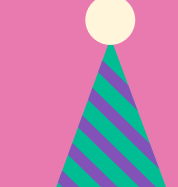
**FUN Fact** The mitzvah says to drink until you "can't distinguish between 'Cursed is Haman' and 'Blessed is Mordechai.'" Some interpret this as drinking until you literally can't say the phrase correctly—give it a try a few times fast and see if you've already fulfilled the mitzvah!

## MEGILLAH

### The Ultimate Storytime

We're required to read the entire Megillah twice—once at night and once during the day.

**FUN Fact** Purim is the only Jewish holiday with flexible start dates depending on location! At one point, it could begin on the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, or even 15<sup>th</sup> of Adar. Today, most of the world celebrates on the 14<sup>th</sup>, while cities that were walled in Joshua's time (like Jerusalem) celebrate on the 15<sup>th</sup>.



## MISHLOACH MANOT

### Delivering Joy, One Snack at a Time

We're obligated to give at least two different types of food to one person on Purim.

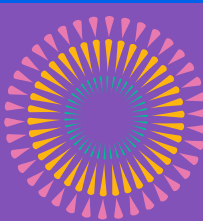
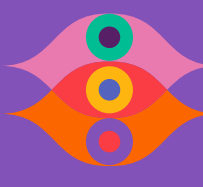
**FUN Fact** You can send these treats through an agent, even someone who isn't personally obligated to fulfill the mitzvah. Purim DoorDash, anyone?

## MATANOT L'EVYONIM

### Giving That Truly Matters

We're required to give gifts to at least two people in need.

**FUN Fact** Rambam says you should spend more on gifts to the poor than on mishloach manot, because there's no greater joy than bringing happiness to those in need. In his words:  
*"One who brings joy to the poor, orphans, widows, and converts resembles the Divine Presence."*



We at Pardes hope your Purim is filled with laughter, connection, and uncontainable joy!