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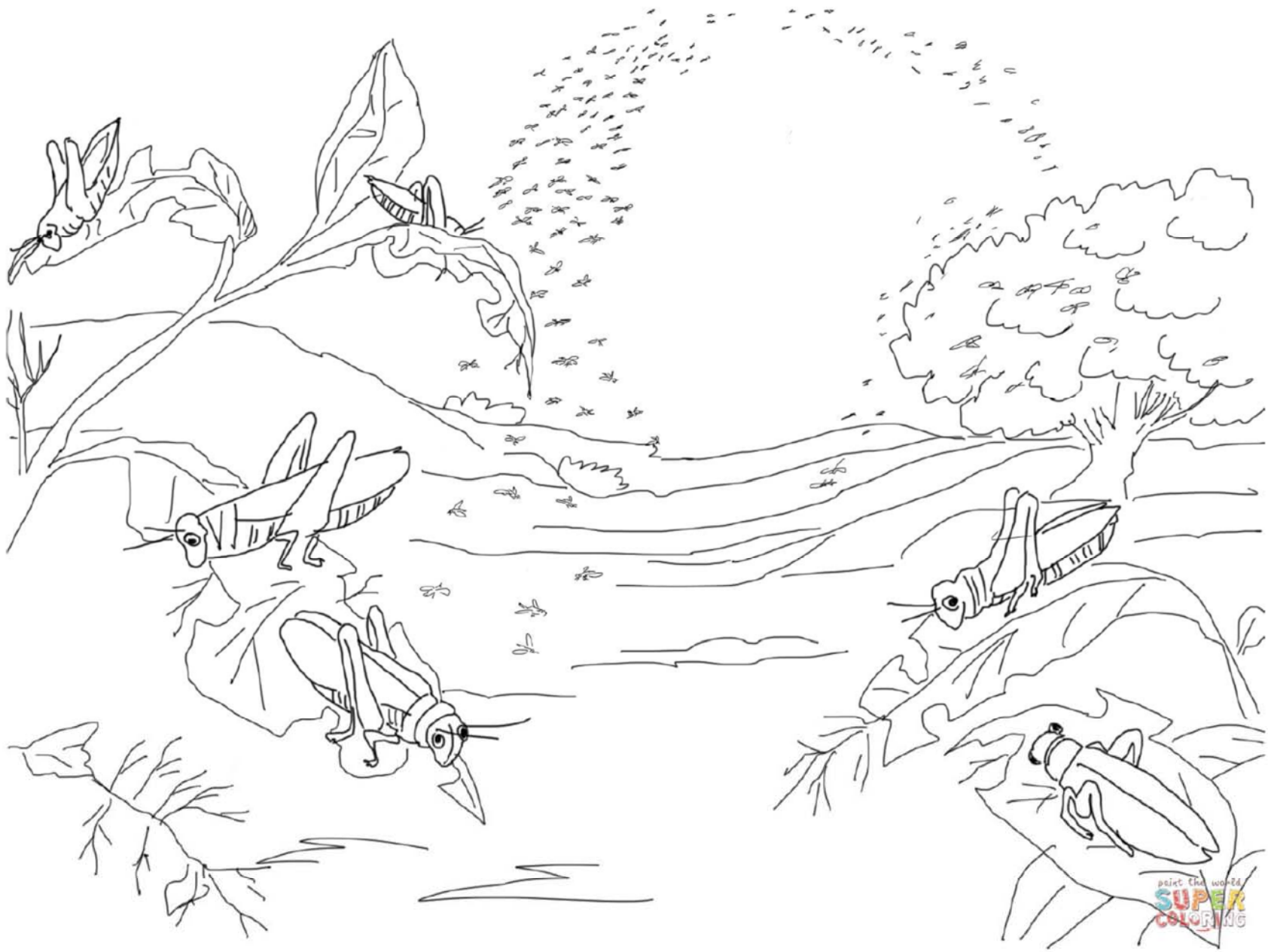




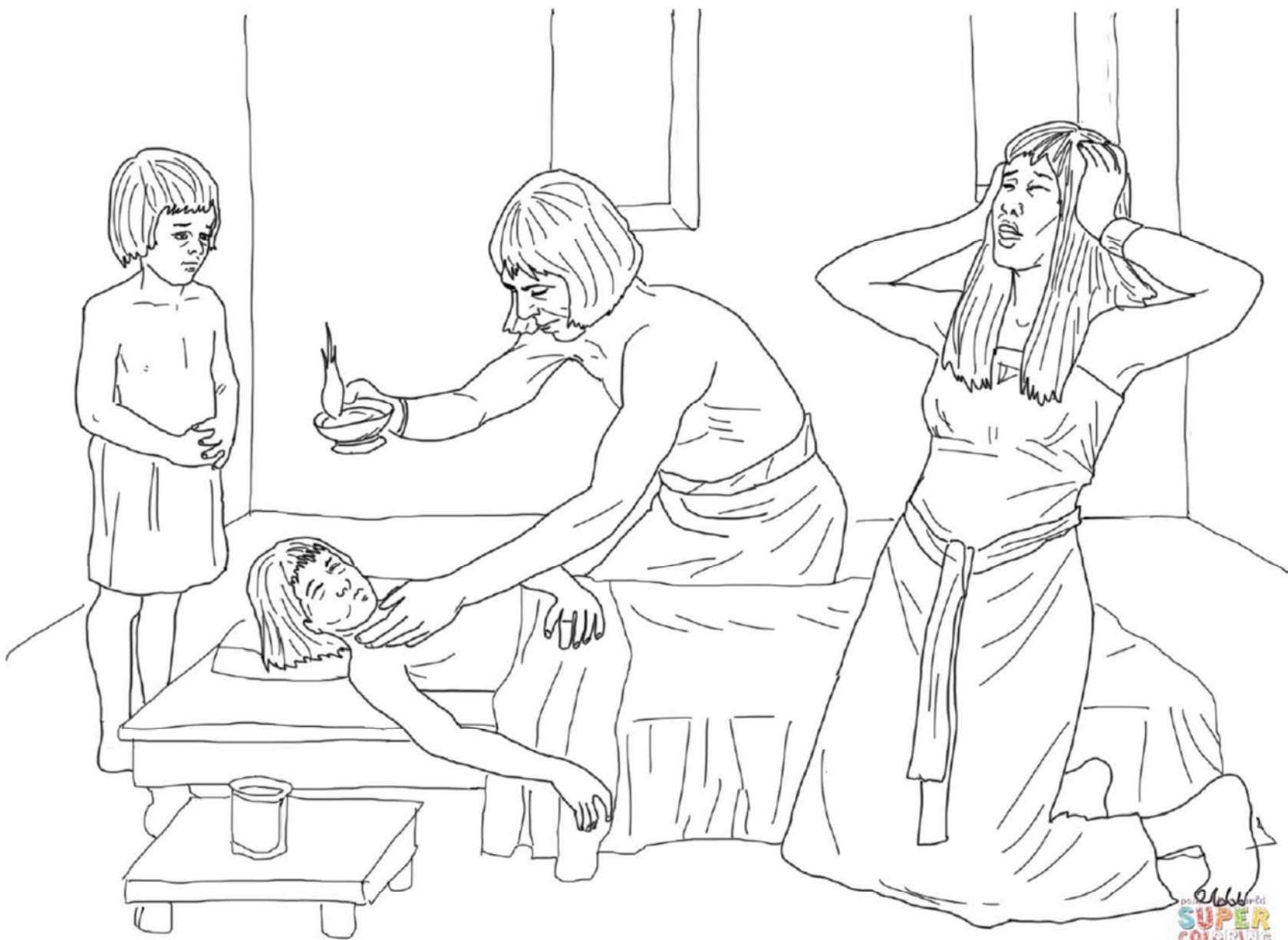




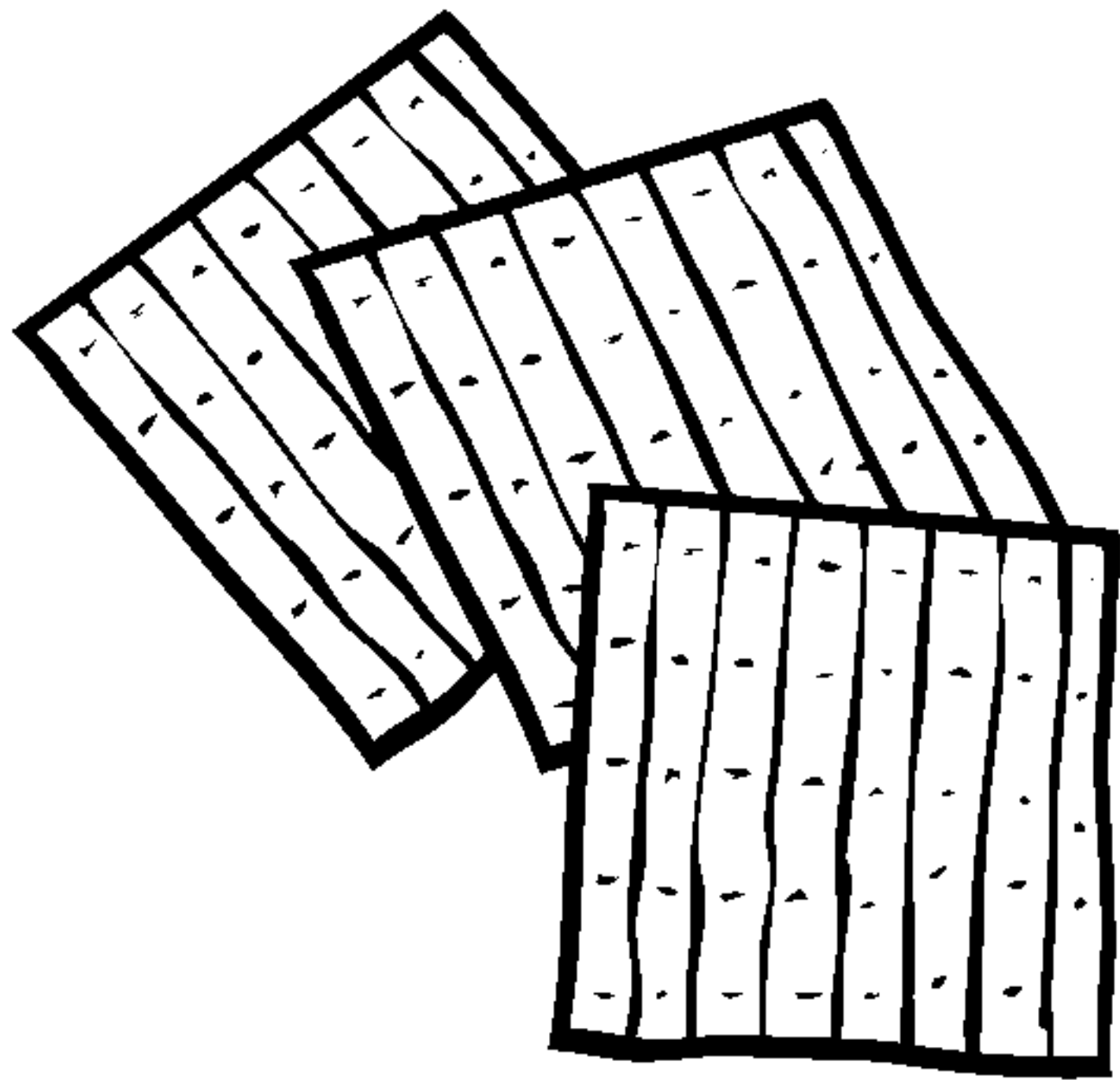
















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Block Family Seder Mural & Decorations (2016)



Seder Trivia Questions

Trivia Question Bank:

QUESTIONS

1. What is the Pesach?
 - a. The Passover Sacrifice
2. How many cups of wine are required by the Haggadah?
 - a. (4 cups of wine during the Seder, and 1 cup for Eliyahu)
3. What body of water did Moshe lead the Israelites through?
 - a. Yam Suf/Reeds Sea
4. What month is Pesach celebrated in, and what number month of the year is it?
 - a. Nisan, the First according to the Torah's counting, the 6th according to our counting
5. Is the Hebrew calendar lunar or solar?
 - a. Both. It's essentially a lunar calendar, but it has to remain aligned with the solar calendar which is why an extra month is added to the lunar calendar to realign them
6. Who invented the sandwich we eat at the Seder?
 - a. Rabbi Hillel
7. Why was there a special sandwich created for the Seder?
 - a. Rabbi Hillel thought that the Pesach sacrifice must be eaten together with Matzah and Maror to fulfill the mitzvah.
8. What are the only ingredients allowed in matzah?
 - a. Flour and Water
9. What is the maximum number of minutes matzah can be baked?
 - a. 18
10. What measurement of food is used to determine how much is required to fulfill the mitzvah?
 - a. Ke'zayit/An olive
11. What three items should be used to search for chametz the night before Pesach?
 - a. A feather, a spoon and a candle
12. How many years ago did the Exodus occur?
 - a. About 3300
13. What mitzvot are there in the Torah that we are supposed to fulfill at the Seder?
 - a. Eat Matza; Eat Maror; Eat Karban Pesach; Tell the story of the Exodus
14. How many people were in Yaakov's family who originally went down to Egypt?
 - a. 70
15. How many Israelites left Egypt?
 - a. 600,000 men, aged 18–60
16. What do we begin counting the second night of Pesach?
 - a. Sefirat Ha'Omer
17. What are the four names for the Passover holiday (Hebrew or English)?
 - a. Chag HaMatzot (Festival of Matzah); (2) Chag HaPesach (Festival of the Passover Sacrifice); (3) Chag HaAviv (Festival of Spring); and (4) Zman Cheiruteinu (Time of Our Freedom)
18. Who was Moshe's spokesperson?
 - a. Aaron his older brother
19. Why did Moshe need a spokesperson?
 - a. He complained to God that he was not articulate enough to speak to Pharaoh
20. What was Shifra and Puah's job? Did they do it well?
 - a. They were midwives in charge of helping Israelite mothers give birth; they were told to kill the boy babies when they were born. They didn't listen and let the boys live.
21. According to the Midrash, what were the real names of Shifra and Puah?
 - a. Yocheved and Miriam
22. How many years were the Israelites in Egypt?
 - a. 240
23. According to what God told Avraham, how many years were the Israelites supposed to be enslaved for?
 - a. 400
24. Why is Pesach called Pesach? What does it mean?
 - a. Pesach means pass over – God passed over the houses of the Israelites when smiting the firstborn Egyptians.
25. What six foods are on the seder plate?
 - a. 1) Ze'roah/Shankbone; 2) Maror; 3) Chazeret; 4) Karpas (parsley or celery); 5) Charoset; 6) Beitzah (egg)
26. How many times do we wash our hands during the seder?
 - a. 2

27. Why does the head of the Seder keep the big piece for the Afikoman?
 - a. Because a poor person saves the big piece for later and we should feel poor
28. What Megillah do we read on Pesach?
 - a. Shir Hashirim
29. Who led the women in singing and dancing after Kriyat Hayam Soof?
 - a. Miriam
30. Why do we open the door after benching?
 - a. For Eliyahu Hanavi
31. How many Matzot do we set at the Seder?
 - a. 3
32. What are the 4 words associated with the 4 (5) kosot of wine?
 - a. Hotzeiti; Hitzalti; Ga'alti; Lakachti; (Heiveiti)
33. What do we do during Yachatz?
 - a. Break the middle matzah
34. Who are the 4 sons?
 - a. Chacham, Rasha, Tam, She'eino Yodeah Lishol
35. Who are Moshe's brother and sister? Name at least one thing each of them did in the Pesach story.
 - a. Aharon (Moshe's spokesman; did a number of the plagues) and Miriam (Watched over Moshe when he was floating in the basket; led the women in singing and dancing after crossing the Yam Suf)
36. How many questions are there in "Mah Nishtanah"?
 - a. 4
37. What's the Seder of the Seder?
 - a. Kadeish, U'rchatz, Karpas, Yachatz, Maggid, Rachtzah, Motzi Matzah, Marror, Koreich, Shulchan Oreich, Tzafoon, Bareich, Hallel, Nirtzah
38. How many times and at what points must we eat Matzah during the Seder?
 - a. Motzi Matzah; Koreich; Tzafoon – Kohein; Levi; Yisrael
39. How old Was Rabbi Elazar Ben Azariyah when he became the what?
 - a. 18; the Nassi
40. Which Matzah is used for the Afikoman and which part?
 - a. The middle Matzah and the larger broken part
41. How many times is Moshe mentioned in the Haggaddah?
 - a. Once
42. How many times is Eliyahu Hanavi mentioned in the Haggaddah and where?
 - a. Once; in Birkat Hamazon
43. Why do we eat Matzah?
 - a. Because the Israelites didn't have time to make bread when they were rushed out of Egypt
44. What was the name of the neighborhood in Egypt where the Israelites lived?
 - a. Goshen
45. Who has to fast Erev Pesach and why?
 - a. B'chorim; to thank Hashem for not killing them during Makat B'chorot
46. Name 6 animals and 2 insects mentioned in the Haggaddah
 - a. Horses, donkeys, camels, sheep, frogs, cows, cat, dog, goat, lice, locusts
47. When is biur chametz?
 - a. The morning of the 14th of Nissan (erev Pesach)
48. Why don't we lean for Marror?
 - a. Because leaning is only for showing signs of freedom
49. Why did the Jews smear blood onto their doorposts in Egypt?
 - a. So God would pass over the house and not kill the first born
50. Why do we have Marror on Pesach?
 - a. To remind us of the bitterness in Egypt
51. Why does it say that R' Elazar ben Azariah was 'K'ben/As IF he was 70 years old?
 - a. Because he was really only 18 and God made a miracle and made him look like older (white beard) so the people would respect him more.
52. Why do we lean on Pesach?
 - a. Because we're supposed to act like kings.
53. Do we take the bigger or smaller half of the Matza for the Afikoman?
 - a. The bigger half.
54. What else are you supposed to think of when making the bracha on the Karpas?
 - a. The Maror that will be eaten later
55. What are the Rashei Teivot (acronym) words of the Makkot?
 - a. DTZA"CH, ADA"SH, B'ACHA"V
56. What does Charoset symbolize?
 - a. The mortar the Jews had to use in Egypt
57. What time did Makat B'Chorot happen?
 - a. Midnight
58. Why did Moshe run away from Egyptian?
 - a. Once; in Birkat Hamazon

- a. Because he killed the Egyptian slave master and people found out.
60. Who took baby Moshe out of the water when he was there in a basket?
- a. Pharaoh's daughter.

HARDER QUESTIONS:

61. Name 3 differences between regular Hallel and Hallel at the Seder
- a. No bracha; sitting/standing; break in between; night/day
62. If you find a piece of Chametz on Yom Tov Pesach, what do you do?
- a. Cover it and burn it after Yom Tov
63. Name 2 things people use for Karpas
- a. Carrots; parsley; potatoes (pota-fingers)
64. Where are 2 places in the seder where we say "Noten Lechem L'chol Bassar, Ki L'olam Chasdo"?
- a. Birkat Hamazon and second Hodu (in Hallel)
65. Why don't we make a Bracha on Koreich?
- a. Because it's only done as a remembrance ("zecher le'mikdash ke'hillel)

66. Where are we obligated to check during Be'dikat Chametz?
- a. Where there's a possibility that chametz might have gotten there
67. On what days can't Pesach land?
- a. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
68. What are the first 2 paragraphs of Hallel called?
- a. Hallel HaMitzri
69. What don't you say tonight before you go to sleep and why?
- a. You don't say Shema because it's Leil Shimoorim where Hashem protects us.
70. According to the Midrash, who was the first who jumped into the Yam Suf?
- a. Nachshon Ben Aminadav
71. Name 5 (or more) names that are mentioned in the Hagada that are NOT Avraham and his descendants?
- a. Pharaoh, Lavan, Aisav, Terach, Nachor, Og, Sichon.

In addition to these questions, everyone is encouraged to check out: <http://tinyurl.com/kvtce32>. It's a website made by the Naiman family (I don't know them) who have collected games and Seder related activities and uploaded them for people to consult. Many of the trivia questions were taken from there.