

# INSTRUCTION SHEETS

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## Welcome to the Tut Altz Family Siyum in a File!

Welcome to the Siyum on completing the Rambam. We present you with lots of ideas to create an unforgettable Siyum experience for your entire family. Even more special? Your family's siyum will be taking place alongside 3,999 others on this auspicious day of Gimmel Tammuz!

In this packet you will find:

### 1. THEME IDEAS

This includes three different themes to choose from, complete with instructions for decor, setup and fun group activities. Pick the theme that fits best with your family's age range and personalities.

### 2. COMPLETE PROGRAM

This file includes a half-hour program outline with accompanying materials, so that each member of the family can actively participate in a round-table discussion.

### 3. ROLE CARDS

Every person at the table will have a role to play at the siyum. Print the attached cards to hand out at your siyum. Read the cards and instructions in advance, so that you can tailor each role to the age-appropriate family member. Fill in the MC card before hand.

### 4. HANDOUT CARDS

This set of cards should be copied for each member of the family so they can follow along with the leader. Included are coloring pages for the youngest family members to enjoy while the program is in progress.

### 5. VIDEO

During the program, click the link on [TutAltz.com/4000](http://TutAltz.com/4000) to watch the Rebbe video. The clip is from Zos Chanukah, 5746 on the theme of this siyum.



## THEME IDEAS:

### Idea #1: SHABBOS TREATS

#### Description

Learning Chassidus in the era before Moshiach is compared to the special Shabbos foods we taste on erev Shabbos afternoon.

For this theme, dress your table for Shabbos. Serve some of your family's favorite desserts.

#### Breakout

To introduce everyone's role, print out all the role cards in advance. Fold them in half and write the assigned family member's name on the outside.

Take a small box and fill it with candies. Wrap the box in multiple layers of paper, taping a role card to the inside of each layer.

Play "pass the parcel" (game instructions) until all the cards are handed out and the box of "Moshiach treats" are uncovered and shared around!

#### Extension

You can give each person at the party a role and costume in line with the Shabbos theme. The MC can be the Shabbos Zeidy, Mommy can tell the story, Bubby leads the Rebbe's Kapitel and helps with hachlata cards, Tatty does the Siyum and Haschala and Baby gives out the treats!

### Idea #2: DEEP-SEA TREASURE

#### Description

The Rambam teaches about the time that we will learn "the deepest secrets of Torah" and the knowledge of Hashem will fill the world "like waters cover the seabed."

Turn your farbrengen into a deep sea-diver's adventure. Use a blue-green water color scheme with toy- or jelly- fish and sea shells. Hang streamers to match and clear balloons (water bubbles) from the light fixtures, window frames, or door lintels.

#### Breakout

Turn the event of finding roles into a treasure hunt! Print the role cards in advance, fill in the names, and hide each one in another location in the house.

Place a clue to the location of each person's role at their place at the table (clue ideas). You can tape the

clue to the bottom of their cup or plate, under an ocean-themed place card.

Or, start your hunt with a treat: Fold each clue and wrap it in a ziploc sandwich bag. Place at the bottom of a labeled, clear dessert bowl, stout cup or stemless wine glass. Add small jelly beans, candies or diced fruit (for rocks) and clear jello (for water) (Aquarium cup step-by-step recipe).

Each person eats their "ocean", fishes out their clue and then hunts for their card!

#### Extension

For this theme, the MC can be the Instructor and the rest of the crew are divers. Have a pair of diving goggles and/or mouthpiece ready to pass around to each person as they perform their role so everyone focuses on the speaker.

## Idea #3: 100% NATURAL

### Description

In the sicha, the Rebbe explains how learning Chassidus before Moshiach comes is actually part of the Rambam's concept of a non-miraculous Geulah-world. Since we will have the earlier foundation of Chassidus, we will all become great scholars of the Torah's secrets in a natural way.

Make the theme of your siyum "natural". You can do this by serving all organic or healthy snacks and using wood slices, jute, twine, plants/greenery and straw for decor.

### Breakout

A couple days before the siyum, take a closeup picture of an everyday object belonging to each

member of the family (or download their favorite healthy foods).

Print out the cards and tape them to the back of each family member's (natural-decorated) place setting. Now, place the photo of their favored object as a place card, and make it a game for them to figure out where they sit!

### Extension

Make an equal number (or more) snacks to the members of the family. As each finishes their role card, they can choose one of the treats to hand around!

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## ROLE CARDS

There are six main roles. If there are more family members, you can divide some of the roles between more than one family member, including the youngest children by partnering them with an older sibling. (The older child is the speaker and younger helps by distributing the handouts.) For each role, the family member receives a card with their script.

- **M.C.** (Master of Ceremonies/Instructor) will introduce the program by giving a short synopsis, call on each member, and oversee the distribution of the handout cards and tzedakah at the appropriate times. This role is CARD #1.
- **Chazzan** will read the Rebbe's kapitel aloud for everyone to repeat. This role is CARD #2 -
- **Siyum Leader** will read the last halachah of the Rambam and the Rebbe's explanation on it. This role is CARD #4.

- **Haschala Leader** will read the first halacha of the Rambam and the Rebbe's explanation on it. This role is CARD #5.
- **Story Narrator** will narrate the story. They will also make sure that all six characters in the story are assigned their card and play their part at the right time. This role is THE STORY CARD (#6).
- **Hachlata Collector** will ensure that everyone gave their tzedakah and received hachlata cards. They will also be responsible for collecting them at the end and hang them in a safe place for each family member to be able to review.

## HANDOUT CARDS

Copy for each family member:

- Card #2 The Rebbe's kapital
- Card #3 with the text of the halachos for the

Siyum and the Haschala.

- Card #7 to fill in hachlatos

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