

Megillas Esther

Interactive Megillah Timeline



Grade Level:

Upper Elementary
High School

Educational Goals/Objectives:

1. Firstly, the students will gain an understanding of where in our history the story of Purim takes place. Secondly, the students will become familiar with sequence of events that took place in the מגילה. Using this timeline will help the students actually visualize each event and when it took place.
2. The fact that the timeline uses the text of the מגילה will enable the students to become very familiar and comfortable with the לשון of the מגילה. Listening to the reading of the מגילה on פורים will thus become an enjoyable and rewarding experience as the פסוקים become alive.



Description:

This Interactive מגילה Timeline uses פסוקים from the מגילה to depict each significant event in the פורים story. Each event is put on the timeline according to when it took place during the 14 years of the reign of אחשורוש. Each event is accompanied by an icon that will help the students visualize and recall the information. This timeline is available as an interactive display and is accompanied by an interactive student version handout.

Materials Needed:

1. Bulletin board backing paper – if using as a bulletin board display
2. 14 printouts (11x17)
3. Printout of lettering (optional: die-cut white letters)
4. For student version:
 - Blank template of timeline: available as 8.5x14 or 11x17
 - 8.5x11 sheets of boxes containing פסוקים and icons corresponding to the 8.5x14 or 11x17 template.

Instructions:

NOTE: Use the picture above to help you set up this display!

1. Assemble the “years” strip.
2. Assemble the “dates” strip.
3. Set up the boxes as displayed.
 - **Note:** You have the option of either keeping the boxes attached to each other OR cutting out each box individually.
4. Blank boxes/strips are available for those who wish to hang up a blank template of the timeline and display the contents of each box, one at a time as they teach the material.

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מקורות: SOURCES AND ADDITIONAL OPINIONS

גדל המלך אחשורוש את המן – על פי אבן עזרא אסתר ג':א'
שלשת ימי הצום – על פי אסתר רבה פרק ח' ופרקי דרבי אליעזר פרק נ'
לשיטה אחרת, עיין ברש"י מסכת מגילה ט"ו ע"א,

ועיין גם מהרש"א ורש"ש שם

ויעש העץ – על פי ילקוט מעם לועז

נדדה שנת המלך – כך יוצא על פי פשט ועיין גם ברש"ש הנ"ל

לשיטה אחרת, ראה תרגום ועיין מהרש"א הנ"ל

ויתלו את המן – על פי רש"י מסכת מגילה ט"ו ע"א, וסדר הדורות (שנת ג"א ת"ד)

ואת עשרת בני המן תלו – על פי סדר הדורות (שנת ג"א ת"ד)

