

Guide to Running the Purim Gameshow Medley

If you would like to run a fun and unusual Purim event in your community then the Purim Gameshow Medley is ideal – with something for everyone! It is most suitable for adults and older children, perhaps those 10 or 11 and above.

You will need: A host with a lot of chutzpah!

A scorekeeper with a lot of pizzazz!

A narrator (or narrators) with a fabulous voice!

Computer to run the Powerpoint.

A projector and large screen that everyone can see.

Speakers that everyone can hear.

A room with space for everyone to sit around team tables.

A score board (or flip chart).

A copy of this chart for keeping track.

Four different sound makers (buzzer, bell, horn, etc.).

A timer.

Either the access to the internet to play a YouTube clip, or the ability to download the YouTube clip or someone who is prepared to replace the YouTube clip with a live performance!

4 shimmy belts for belly dancing or similar scarfs.

A community with a sense of fun!

Your host and scorekeeper will need to watch the Powerpoint through several times to work out what happens each time you click as there are some slides with several different stages in them that happen each time you click. It may be helpful to print out a copy of all the slides for the person who is running the show.

The scorekeeper will need to keep scores with the chart below and the perhaps write up the running total on a scoreboard after each round.

There is also an abridged version of Megillat Esther that appears between each round – it is designed so that you can click to the photo that follows each page when you are nearly at the end of that page and it depicts the last thing that is mentioned. The narrator or narrators will need to see this in advance to practice and make it as entertaining as they like.

Teams can have as many people on them as they like but will send up one person to represent them in each round – they could send two for rounds 2, 3 and 4. So not everyone will necessarily take part but it will be entertaining to watch! Do not give too much information to the teams in advance – just show them the names of the rounds and ask them to choose representatives for each one!

Apart from that it is all pretty self-explanatory – for further notes about each round, see the comments in the chart on the next page

Have fun!

Rabbi Anna

ROUND	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3	TEAM 4
<p>1) Just a Minute Usual rules of Just a Minute – starting with a different participant for each word, they have one minute to speak on the subject without repetition, hesitation or deviation – others can buzz if they notice one of these errors. 1 point for a correct interruption, 1 point for being interrupted incorrectly, 1 bonus point for speaking as the timer goes.</p>				
i) Casting Lots				
ii) Hamentashen				
iii) Queen Vashti				
iv) Fancy Dress				
TOTALS				
<p>2) Name That Tune All contestants, fingers on buzzers. Play each tune and stop it as soon as somebody buzzes in to guess. If they are correct, you can reveal the title – if they are wrong, you will have to click to left arrow key twice and then the right arrow key once to make the presentation go back to the beginning of the piece – sorry, there was no better way to do this. If they are wrong they cannot buzz again. 3 points for guessing correctly if first to buzz, 2 points if second and 1 point if last to guess.</p>				
1) Mah Tovu				
2) Yerushalayim Shel Zahav				
3) Lechi Lach				
4) Alle Brider				
5) Viva La Diva				
6) Kol Nidrei				
7) Sunrise Sunset				
8) Katikvah				
9) Oseh Shalom				
10) Mashiach!				
TOTALS				
<p>3) Have I Got News for You? All contestant, fingers on buzzers. Can give funny answers first but then try to guess the real answer. Can take as many answers for each one as they want to offer. 3 points for guessing the correct wording, 2 points for guessing close wording, 1 point for an incorrect but funny answer – at discretion of the host.</p>				
Headline 1				
Headline 2				
Headline 3				
Headline 4				
Headline 5				
Headline 6				
Headline 7				
Headline 8				
Headline 9				
Headline 10				
TOTALS				
<p>4) The Generation Game After showing the YouTube clip of Anna Mar Del Sur, you should give the contestants some time to go and practice – this can be a refreshment break for everyone else. They will then come back and perform their own Belly Dance, either to the same music from the clip or to another short piece of music that you select – Belly Dancing works quite well to Sephardi music! Up to 10 points awarded to each contestant for performance at discretion of the host.</p>				
Belly Dancing				
TOTALS				

