

KABOTSVILLE · KABOT HOLIDAYS · EPISODE 1

Purim

A read-along picture book for ages 3–8

Made with love by a Nana and her grandkids, with help from the bots of Botsville USA.



Kabot child **The Purim parade is today, and I still can't decide what to wear!**

Kabot child **Should I be a king? A clown? A big, brave lion?**

Kabot child **I want to be everything!**

Kabot child **Puppy! Puppy!**



Mrs. Kabot So many choices! While you decide, we will all tell you the Purim story, with the Botcohens!

Rabbi Kabot Come sit, everyone. Purim has a wonderful story.



Rabbi Kabot **A long time ago, in the city of Shushan, there lived a king named Achashverosh.**



Mrs. Botcohen He chose a kind and wise young woman to be his queen. Her name was Esther.

Mrs. Kabot Esther's cousin Mordechai raised her. He was a good and wise leader of the Jewish people.



Mr. Botcohen **The king had an advisor named Haman. Haman wanted everyone to bow down to him.**



Kabot child Shake the groggers!

Mrs. Kabot That's right! When we hear Haman's name in the Megillah, we shake our groggers.

Rabbi Kabot But Mordechai bowed only to Hashem. That made Haman very angry, and he made a mean plan against all the Jewish people.



Kabot child **Oh no! What did Esther do?**

Mrs. Botcohen **Esther was very brave. First, she asked all the Jewish people to fast and pray for three days.**



Mrs. Kabot Then she went to see the king, even though no one was allowed to come without being called.

Mr. Botcohen The king held out his golden scepter, and welcomed her. Esther invited the king and Haman to a special feast.



Rabbi Kabot At the feast, Esther told the king the truth. Haman's plan would hurt her, and all her people.



Rabbi Kabot So the king stopped Haman, and the Jewish people were saved! Sadness turned into joy.

Kabot child Hooray for Queen Esther!



Mrs. Kabot And Hashem's name isn't written in the Megillah, not even once. But Hashem was helping all along, hidden behind the scenes.

Kabot child Hidden, like in a costume! Maybe that's why we dress up!

Mrs. Kabot That's one beautiful reason!



Kabot child I know! I'll be Queen Esther, brave and kind!

Kabot child And I'll be Mordechai, riding the king's horse!

Kabot child I'll be an astronaut, just like Grandpa!

Kabot child Puppy!



Nana Happy Purim, my sweethearts! Look who is calling!

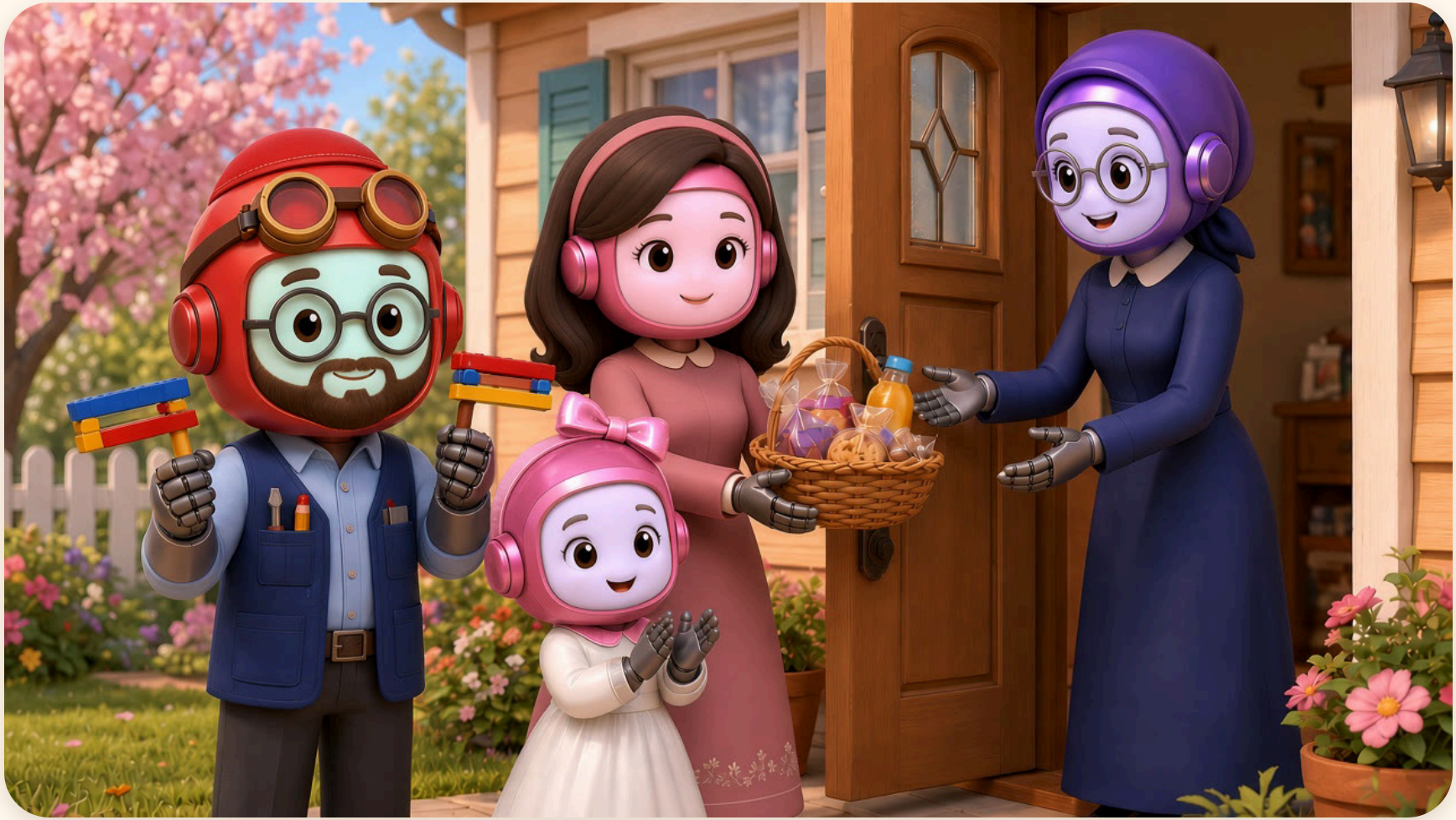
Grandpa Happy Purim from outer space! I'm waving to you from my rocket!



Kabot child Grandpa! I'm an astronaut too!

Grandpa The best astronaut I have ever seen! Shake a grogger for me at the parade!

Nana Grandpa is still exploring space, but he never misses a holiday hello.



Mr. Botcohen Happy Purim! I built toy-brick groggers for everyone!

Mrs. Botcohen And here is a Purim basket for you, with two yummy treats.

Mrs. Kabot Thank you! That's mishloach manot. On Purim, we send gifts of food to our friends.

Baby Botcohen Yay!



Mr. Botcohen And we give gifts to the poor. On Purim, we give to at least two people who need help.

Mrs. Botcohen That way, everyone can be happy on Purim.



Rabbi Kabot Later, the whole family will have a big, happy Purim meal together.

Mrs. Kabot Hearing the Megillah, mishloach manot, gifts to the poor, and a festive meal. Four Purim mitzvahs!



Kabot child Look! A plane!

Mr. Steinbot We made it from Botsberg! Happy Purim, everyone!

Mrs. Steinbot We wouldn't miss the Kabotsville parade!

Baby Steinbot Wheee!

Nana The whole family together. That's the sweetest gift of all.



Narrator And so, everyone headed to the Kabotsville Purim parade!

Kabot child Queen Esther is ready!

Kabot child Astronaut, ready for blast off!

Kabot child Woof!



Rabbi Kabot Remember, just like Esther, you can be brave and kind, every day.

Everyone Happy Purim!

Can you remember?

Point to the answer, or circle it!

Who was the brave queen in the Purim story?

- 👑 Queen Esther
- 🐶 Noodle the puppy

What do we shake when we hear Haman's name?

- 🎉 Groggers
- 🥄 Spoons

How many Purim mitzvahs are there?

- 4️⃣ Four
- 1️⃣ One

Answers: Queen Esther · Groggers · Four



You did it!

Mrs. Kabot Four Purim mitzvahs!

Rabbi Kabot you can be brave and kind, every day.

I am a **Purim Star!**

Name: _____

For grown-ups: Make a Purim basket with two yummy treats to give to a friend, and pick a costume that is brave and kind like Queen Esther!

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