

Dayenu

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Source:

If He had brought us out from Egypt, and had not split the sea for us — Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>Ilu hotzianu mimitzrayim, v'lo kara lanu et hayam, dayeinu!</i>
If He had split the sea for us, and had not taken us through it on dry land — Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>Ilu kara lanu et hayam, v'lo he'eviranu b'tocho becharav dayeinu!</i>
If He had taken us through the sea on dry land, and had not drowned our oppressors in it — Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>Ilu he'eviranu b'tocho becharav v'lo shika tzareinu b'tocho, dayeinu!</i>
If He had drowned our oppressors in it, and had not supplied our needs in the desert for forty years — Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>Ilu shika tzareinu b'tocho, v'lo sipeik tzorkeinu bamidbar a shana, dayeinu!</i>
If He had supplied our needs in the desert for forty years, and had not fed us the manna — Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>Ilu sipeik tzorkeinu bamidbar ar shana, v'lo he'echilanu et haman, dayeinu!</i>
If He had fed us the manna, and had not given us the Shabbat — Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>Ilu he'echilanu et haman, v'lo natan lanu et hashabbat, dayeinu!</i>
If He had given us the Shabbat,	<i>Ilu natan lanu et hashabbat,</i>

and had not brought us before Mount Sinai	<i>v'lo keirvanu lifnei har sinai,</i>
— Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>dayeinu!</i>
If He had brought us before Mount Sinai,	<i>Ilu keirvanu lifnei har sinai,</i>
and had not given us the Torah	<i>v'lo natan lanu et hatorah,</i>
— Dayenu, it would have sufficed!	<i>dayeinu!</i>

To conclude the Maggid, we will take turns each enumerating some of the items from the traditional expressions of gratitude in Dayenu and then sing a few verses for the first few of these items of gratitude. Note, even if you have trouble singing some of the verses, you are expected at least to sing the chorus!

Ilu hotzi, hotzianu; hotzianu miMitzraim; hotzianu miMitzraim: Dayeinu.

Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-ye-nu Da-ye-nu !

Ilu natan, natan lanu; natan lanu et haShabbat; natan lanu et haShabbat: Dayeinu.

Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-ye-nu Da-ye-nu !

Ilu natan, natan lanu; natan lanu et haTorah; natan lanu et haTorah: Dayeinu.

Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-ye-nu Da-ye-nu !