

# Motzi Matzah

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The blessing over the meal and matzah | *motzi matzah* | מוציא מצה

The familiar hamotzi blessing marks the formal start of the meal. Because we are using matzah instead of bread, we add a blessing celebrating this mitzvah.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ:

Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, hamotzi lechem min ha-aretz.

We are grateful for the opportunity to eat bread that comes from the land.

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Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu al achilat matzah.

We express our gratitude for the opportunity to participate in *mitzvot* (the things we do to enhance sacred relationships) such as eating matzah.

Distribute and eat the top and middle matzah for everyone to eat.