









Match the symbolic food from the Jewish Passover meal on the left to the description of what it symbolises and represents to Jewish people.

Beitzah - roasted egg 		A liquid representing the tears of the slaves in Egypt and the sea that was parted to allow them to escape.
Matzah - unleavened bread 		Represents the bitterness of being mistreated during the time of slavery. 1
Charoset - mixture of apples, honey and spices 		Remembers the sacrifice of the lamb and the painting of lamb's blood to signify obedience to God. Also symbolises the strong arm of God.
Maror - bitter herbs like fiery horseradish 		Represents the bitterness of being mistreated during the time of slavery. 2
Karpas - green vegetable - often parsley 		A paste that looks like the mortar that the slaves used when they were building for their Egyptian masters. Sweet to symbolise the sweetness of freedom.
Zeroa roasted lamb bone 		Symbolises new life and re-growth of fresh plants in the natural world in the spring time. A sign of hope for a fresh start.
Salt water - 		Symbolises the importance of not wasting time. Remembers when the Jewish people had to leave Egypt in such a hurry they had no time to let their bread rise.
Chazeret - bitter lettuce 		A common symbol of new life. Also symbolises mourning (a death) as eggs are offered to bereaved people. Reminds of the sacrifices made to God at the Temple.

These are some of the interpretations of the symbolic meaning of these items. What do these foods make you think of?