WHY IS THIS DIFFERENT

FROM ALL OTHER HAGGADOT?

Because it has something

All the others

Have not:

The entire translation

In rhymed verse.

Nothing abstruse,

Verbose or terse,

Just lively poetry

Bringing the text to life,

For the Seder leader,

His guests, and his wife;

Not forgetting the children,

Who enjoy rhyme,

And who'll devour it during

The whole Seder-time.

So, either for you,

Or as an *Afikoman* gift,

There's no finer source

Of spiritual uplift.

Its poetry is fun,

With text clarified,

So, make sure your family

Is not denied

The chance to enjoy

A Seder this year

With readings

To charm,

To inspire,

And to cheer.

And if you have friends

Who might wish to acquire

A Haggadah like this –

Just send them this flyer;

Then, every year,

They'll express

Gratitude,

For a Seder,

That's fun

And highly

Valued.

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The Ten Plagues

Blood -

So thick,

Coagulating;

Ruined the Nile's

Hygiene-rating.

Frogs -

All over the place

They leapt:

In food,

And drink,

And where they slept.

Lice -

That certainly

Weren't so nice;

To clear them

They'd have paid

Any price.

Swarms of beasts -

To make them scared;

A danger for which

They were

Unprepared.

Pestilence –

Pestilence,

Blighting the grain;

It was far far more

Than just a pain;

It meant no food

Could be found;

No vegetation

In the ground.

Boils –

Boils, boils,

Perforating the skin;

Boils on everyone,

Fat or thin;

Juicy and oozing everywhere -

A waste of time,

The best skin care.

Hail –

Bursting down

Like balls of fire;

In its wake,

Devastation,

Dire.

Locusts –

Locusts

Hopping all around;

Wings flapping,

With their high-pitched sound.

Darkness –

Of a kind

Never before known;

Three long days

When the Egyptians

Lay prone;

Unable to move,

Or leave their home.

Slaying of the first born –

Was the tenth and final blow.

'Twas on that final midnight

That Pharaoh got to know

That ignoring God's warnings

Was not recommended,

And the Hebrews' stay in Egypt

Was well and truly ended.

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