



Blessing the Challah (Hamotzi)



This round challah reminds us of the cycle of a year. Like a circle, *b'rachah* (blessing) brings us back to what matters most. Like a circle, *teshuvah* (return) helps us come back to who we want to be. Each bite can be a reminder of gratitude, of growth, and of trying again.

Option 1: Hamotzi

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ
הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם
מִן הָאָרֶץ.

*Baruch Atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech
Ha'olam, hamotzi lechem
min ha'aretz.*

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Guide of the Universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

Option 2: Hamotzi Song

*Hamotzi lechem min ha'aretz,
We give thanks to God for bread.
Our voices join in song together,
As our joyful prayer is said:
Baruch Atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech Ha'olam, Hamotzi lechem
min ha'aretz.*

Amen.

Pass around the challah and enjoy.



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