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Happy Passover!

Passover, or Pesach, is a major Jewish holiday commemorating the Exodus of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery, marked by the ritual Seder meal where matzah (unleavened bread) is eaten to symbolize the haste with which the Israelites fled, leaving no time for their bread to rise.

Directions: Use your math skills to find the value of each icon and the '?' in the puzzle below.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Stack of 3 matzah} \\ + \\ \text{Stack of 3 matzah} \\ + \\ \text{Stack of 3 matzah} \\ = \\ 6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Stack of 3 matzah} \\ + \\ \text{Plate of Seder food} \\ = \\ 10 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Plate of Seder food} \\ - \\ \text{Group of 4 Israelites} \\ = \\ 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Group of 4 Israelites} \\ + \\ \text{Stack of 3 matzah} \\ + \\ \text{Plate of Seder food} \\ = \\ ? \end{array}$$

My Answer: ? = _____

Answer Key:

Matzah=2

Seder Plate=8

Israelites=5

?=15

Fun Fact: During Passover, matzah must be made from flour and water and cooked within 18 minutes after the water contacts the flour; this strict time limit prevents any natural leavening process from beginning, adhering to the commandment to avoid leavened bread for the duration of the holiday.