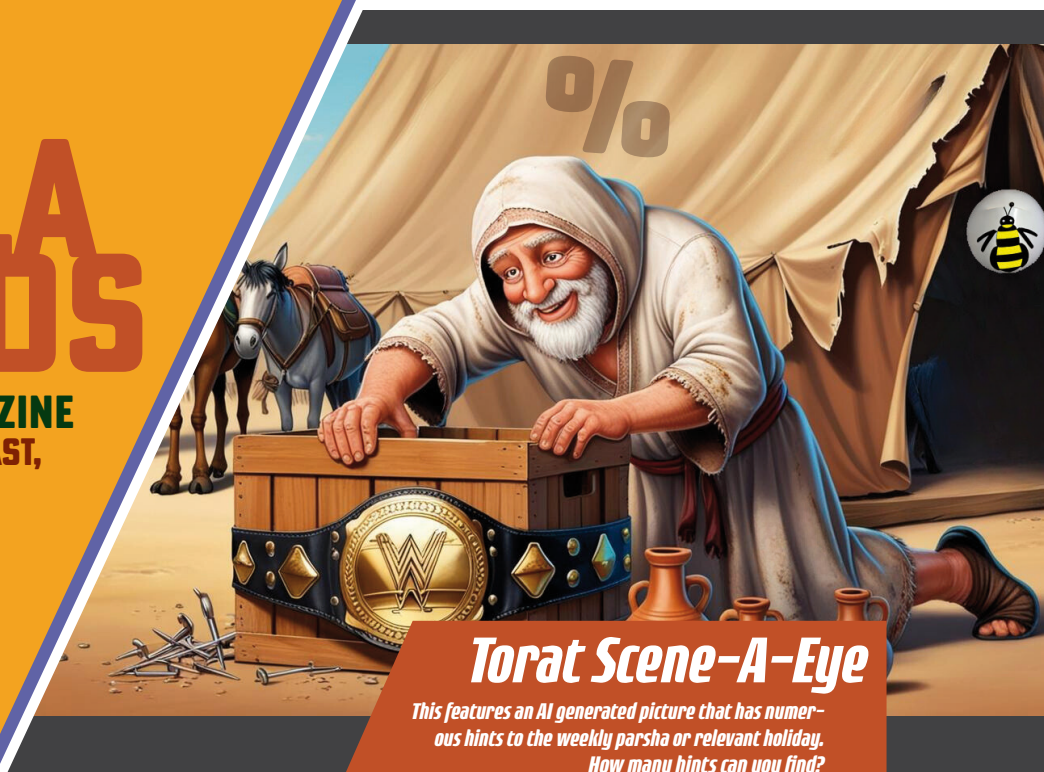


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PARSHAS VAYISHLACH 5785



Torat Scene-A-Eye

*This features an AI generated picture that has numerous hints to the weekly parsha or relevant holiday.
How many hints can you find?
This week's is about Parshas Vayishlach*

Important News

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SHABBATON, BOWLING AND MORE!

Exciting week is drawing to a close!

Bowling fun in Las Vegas, with moustaches and a new sticker drop!

Pizza in Los Angeles, and lots of exciting plans for the upcoming Chanukazation of the world.

Oh, and the Shabbaton! We had a great Shabbaton last week, with girls from Las Vegas and Arizona. Flipn Out, Pizza, amazing food and games... was amazing to reconnect with old friends and meet new!

Can't wait for Jan 17th for the next one!

COMING UP SOON

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DEC 16- Las Vegas TNT
DEC 19th- Park City Ski

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Shabbaton

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DEC 22- Israel Selects Hockey Game
Jan 17- Jewniors Shabbaton, Alamo, NV



Beep Thoughts

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Why do we still use the term 'rolling down' for car windows?



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taught people about the One and Only God, and inspired them to serve Him. Why, why, why, WHY would Abraham turn her away???

There are a number of approaches to this. Some say that Abraham detected she wasn't sincere. Some suggest that she came from an inappropriate marriage. But honestly, it's hard to see how that answers the question. If she deserved to be accepted, then why did Abraham reject her? If Abraham had a good reason to reject her, then why do we have to suffer at the hands of her descendants?

I want to point to the wording of the Talmud. "She wanted to convert, so she came before Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and they did not accept her... Amalek, who antagonizes Israel, came from her. What is the reason (the Jews deserved that punishment)? Because they

should not have distanced her."

Do you see it? Our ancestral triumvirate didn't accept her. OK. But what's the reason for the punishment? The Talmud does not say it's because they didn't accept her. It says it's because they shouldn't have DISTANCED her. I believe the Talmud is telling us that OF COURSE our ancestors did not have to accept all converts, and she didn't make the cut. But that isn't a reason to distance her. Perhaps there is something they could have done to keep her connected to the source of morality that became the Jewish people. Perhaps had she been allowed to connect in some secondary way, she would never have produced an offspring like Amalek. Perhaps we can all learn a lesson from this.

There will be people who will climb to the heights of awesometasticness, and some won't make it. Yet even those who aren't where they should be must be allowed to gain whatever they can from a connection to the universe's true source of goodness. "Don't be dismissive of any person."

By the way, what do you call a wife whose job is making pickles? Concubrine.



Torat Scene-A-Eye Explained

Here are some of the hints in this picture: Jacob closes his daughter Dina in a box, to protect her from Esav's eyes, the row of animals represent the gifts Jacob sent his brother. There are small jugs that Jacob crossed the river to recover, where he wrestled a 'man' represented by the wrestling title belt. The bee is for Devorah who passes away, and the % sign on the tent is because Jacob divided his camp before meeting Esav.

PARSHAL PARSHA

a brief summary of the weekly
torah porshon

PARSHAS VAYISHLACH- Broth- erly Love



- ❶ DON'T YOU LOVE FAMILY REUNIONS? I LOVE THEM, ESPECIALLY WHEN ONE BROTHER IS SWORN TO KILL THE OTHER (UNLESS THAT BROTHER HAPPENS TO BE ME. THEN I DON'T LIKE THE REUNIONS SO MUCH)
- ❶ JACOB IS ABOUT TO MEET HIS BROTHER ESAV AFTER DECADES, AND IS AFRAID. HE PREPARES HIMSELF IN THREE WAYS. HE SENDS ESAV A SIZEABLE AMAZON GIFT CARD (IN THE FORM OF HUNDREDS OF ANIMALS), HE PRAYS, AND HE ALSO SPLITS HIS FAMILY UP, GETTING 2 SEPARATE AIRBNBS
- ❶ WHILE MOVING HIS FAMILY, JACOB CROSSES OVER A RIVER TO GRAB SOME OF HIS LUGGAGE THAT HE LEFT BEHIND (HE WAS FLYING FRONTIER) AND HE WRESTLES WITH AN ANGEL REPRESENTING ESAV. JACOB WINS THE BATTLE, BUT GETS INJURED AND STARTS LIMPING. THE JEWISH PEOPLE ARE FORVER FORBIDDEN FROM EATING THE PART OF THE ANIMAL WHERE JACOB'S INJURY TOOK PLACE
- ❶ DESPITE THE AWKWARD MEETING, ESAV DECIDES NOT TO KILL HIS BROTHER (YAY) AND THEY DEPART IN PEACE
- ❶ JACOB MOVES TO THE SUBURBS OF SHECHEM, BECAUSE OF EXCELLENT REAL ESTATE PRICES, AND EASY WALKING DISTANCE TO THE SUPERMARKET AND GYM
- ❶ WHILE NEAR SHECHEM, JACOB'S DAUGHTER, DINA, GETS ABDUCTED BY THE LOCAL PRINCE, A GUY WITH THE VERY ORIGINAL NAME OF... WAIT FOR IT... SHECHEM
- ❶ DINA'S BROTHERS, NOT SO COOL WITH THAT. WHEN SHECHEM AND HIS DAD ASK TO MARRY DINA, THEY CALL THE

G U Y S
F R O M
IMPRACTICAL
JOKERS AND PLAY
A SUBTLE TRICK ON
THE PEOPLE OF SHECHEM. BASICALLY, THEY
MAKE THE WHOLE CITY GET CIRCUMCISED AND
THEN KILL THEM ALL. LIKE I SAID, SUBTLE

- ❶ DEVORAH, WHO WAS REBECCA'S NURSEMAID PASSES AWAY, AND COMMENTARIES SAY THAT REBECCA, TOO, PASSES AWAY
- ❶ GOD CHANGES JACOB'S NAME TO ISRAEL, SO JACOB IS 'IS OLE NAME, AND ISRAEL IS 'IS REAL NAME
- ❶ RACHEL GIVES BIRTH TO BENJAMIN, BUT DIES IN CHILDBIRTH, AND SHE'S BURIED AT THE SIDE OF THE ROAD
- ❶ THE TORAH LISTS THE TWELVE SONS OF JACOB, NOW FINALLY COMPLETE
- ❶ ISAAC PASSES AWAY AT THE AGE OF 180
- ❶ THE TORAH LISTS ESAV'S FAMILY TREE, INCLUDING HIS WIVES AND KIDS, THE KINGS WHO RULED, AND EVEN THE CHORI FAMILY WHOM ESAV CONNECTED WITH, AND FROM WHOM AMALEK ORIGINATED
- ❶ THE AREA IS CALLED SEIR, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE A REFERENCE TO ESAV'S HAIRINESS



Answer of the Week

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her judgements.
famously sat beneath to render
tree Devorah the prophets
deduces that this is the same
'beneath the tree'; Baal Hatrim
Devorah the nursemaid was buried



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DAYS TILL NAGEELA WEST GIRLS SESSION



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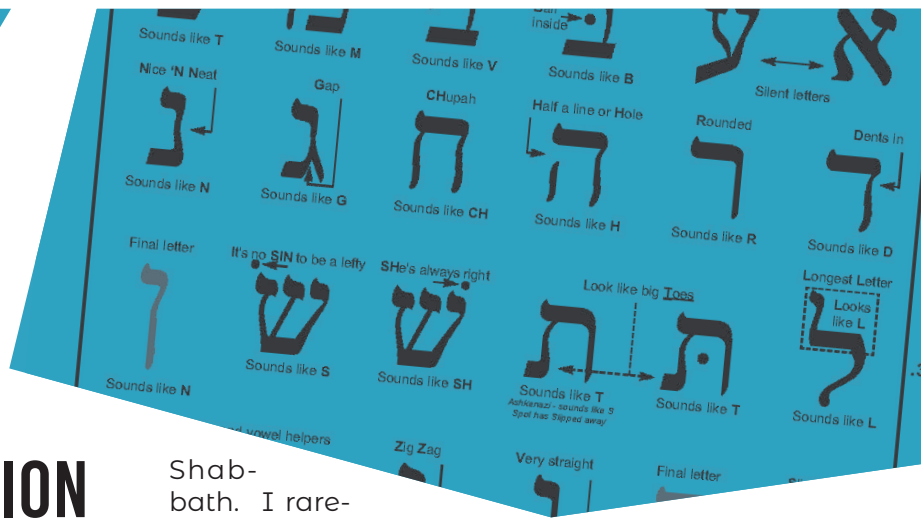
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STUMP THE RABBI

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(Most) questions here are real. Names and some wording have been changed.



PERSONAL PRONUNCIATION

Hi Rabbi,

Why are there different letters and vowels in Hebrew that sound the same? What's the point? And why do people pronounce Hebrew words differently?

Thanks,
Dvfjrgjdofbk Plrtih

Dear Dvfjrgjdofbk

Have you ever heard of the language called English? English is just about the most confusing, illogical language possible. PH=F, vowels can mean different things at different times... Hebrew also has some confusing components, but overall is a lot simpler, and there are good reasons, not arbitrary ones, for the complexities. My point is that almost all languages have some inconsistency in spelling or pronunciation. The reason for that is twofold: Time and location. As time passes and speakers of a language move from one area to the next, meeting different ethnicities, experiencing new realities, things about the language will start to change. Why do you think American English and Shakespearean English are so vastly different? Wither shalt thou knowest?

Although Hebrew has been the language of our people for thousands of years, and I have no doubt that when God spoke to us at Sinai, He used proper grammar, century upon century of Jews moving around and living in different lands have greatly changed pronunciations. You may notice that Jewish communities of European descent pronounce Hebrew with a rather European sound, as a Jew from Texas may have a bit of a drawl while praying. Sephardic Hebrew pronunciation sounds similar to Arabic. And so, over many generations, we've forgotten which pronunciations are accurate, and we don't seem to have any digital backup of "King David's Greatest Hits" in mp3 format.

One of the greatest examples of this is the SHABBAT/SHABBOS debate. In Hebrew, it's written שבת. Depending on how you pronounce the vowel and the letter, it can be Shabbos, Shabbat, or perhaps even

Shabbath. I rarely have to pronounce that word, because my mouth is usually full on Shabbos. So you're right. It seems clear that, for example the Kametz vowel, which looks like this  and the Patach vowel, this guy over here , should have different sounds. Those who know grammar well will be able to differentiate between those, and also between these fellows . It makes sense that this letter and this letter be pronounced differently, as many communities do. But is the Ashkenazic pronunciation right? The Yeminite? Sephardic? Antarctic? Who really knows? If you're worried about the fact that the way you were taught to read Hebrew might not be grammatically correct, don't worry too much, as there are legitimate customs for most popular pronunciations (also, I'm pretty sure God will understand you either way). In modern day Israel, the country has adopted the Sephardic pronunciation, and many communities have followed suit, but you should probably follow whatever your family and community does.

Have a Nageela Shabbos, umm, Shabbat, ahhh Sabbath,

The Rabbi



Note & Disclaimer: We call this 'Stump The Rabbi' for fun, but that's not really the point. The goal is to learn something important in an interesting way. The answers here should not be taken as halachic decisions. You should always ask a competent Rabbi personally.



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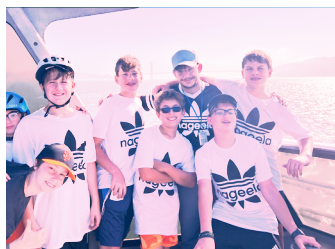


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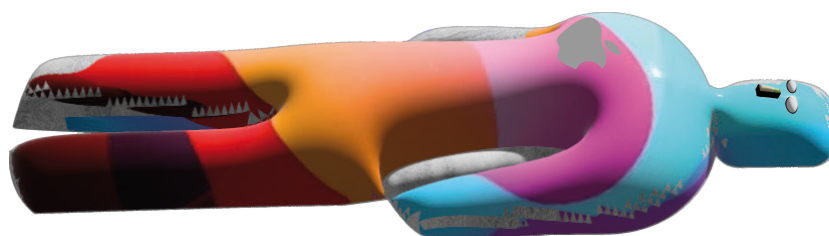
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Everyone, we need to get rid of any idols you have. We'll bury them under this tree.

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