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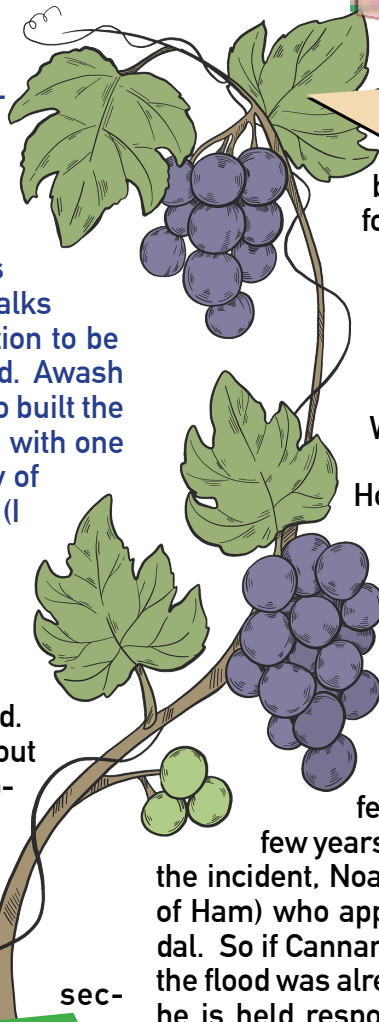
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DVAR TORAH

We are flooded with discussions about what happened in this week's Torah portion. Drowning in conversations about how one person's goodness saved humanity. Submerged in talks about how he tried to influence his generation to be better, but maybe not as well as Abraham did. Awash with lessons about unity, and how those who built the tower to fight against God at least got along with one another. But for now let's dip in to the story of how Noah dipped in to some bottles of wine (I actually have no idea if he had bottles).

Flood. Ark. Floating. Dove. Olive branch. Saved. Rainbow. Hooray! Good summary? What happened right after Noah and his family left the ark? Noah planted a vineyard. The commentaries and midrashim point out that this was a negative thing. Noah probably should have planted grapes at some point, but maybe it shouldn't have been the very first thing he did. Like when you get home from school and your mom is waiting to give you a hug, and you run directly for your XBOX. Maybe spend 30 seconds saying hi to Mom first



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Start it Right
by Rabbi Dani Locker

before you blow up monsters or whatever you do. They point out that the very next thing the Torah tells us that Noah got drunk and some highly embarrassing things happened. Which leads to a question:

How long after the flood was the incident dealing with Noah getting drunk? Hmm, anyone good at math? It's the square root of "How am I supposed to know?" You could look at the fact that he had to plant the grapes, wait for them to grow (a few years?), then squeeze them and wait for them to ferment and become alcoholic. So a few years. Or you can look at the fact that after the incident, Noah curses his grandson Canaan (son of Ham) who apparently had some part in the scandal. So if Canaan, who was definitely not born before the flood was already old enough to make trouble that he is held responsible and cursed for, I'm going to guess he had to at least be in his teens. So yes, Noah planted a vineyard after the flood, but then years and years passed! How then was his initial planting some-

This week, our nation's hearts are united in love, solidarity, pain, prayer and hope. May any knowledge or inspiration gained from this publication be a merit to help protect our nation.

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later? responsible for what happened years or even decades later?

The way you start things always shows through. Noah started out after the flood by planting wine. That set the tone for years to come. A tone that wasn't based on goodness and spiritual accomplishment, but on physical enjoyment. If we start our day, our week, our year right, it has a great influence on what comes later.

Start your day by making your bed, doing exercise, talking to God; it will transform your entire day into something more awesome! We have just begun the new Jewish year and the new cycle of Torah reading. Starting a habit of learning the parsha each week, or doing something else positive at the beginning of the year will be extremely beneficial to you as the year goes on.

Have a great Shabbos and a beautiful start to the week!

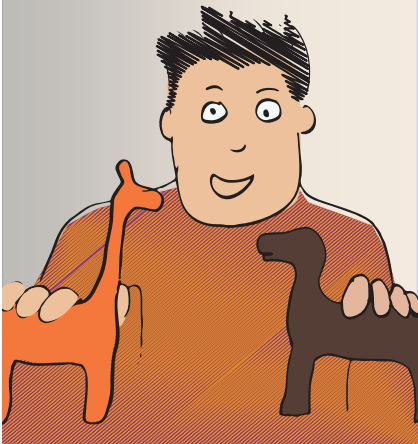
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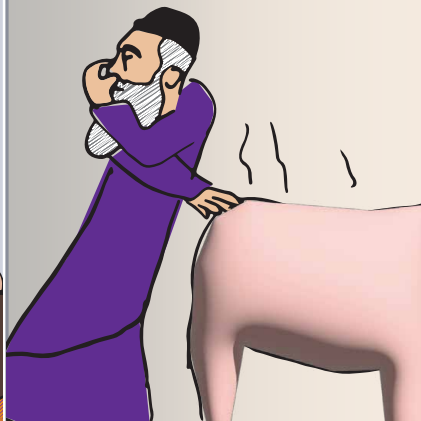
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NOAH'S STORY ARC

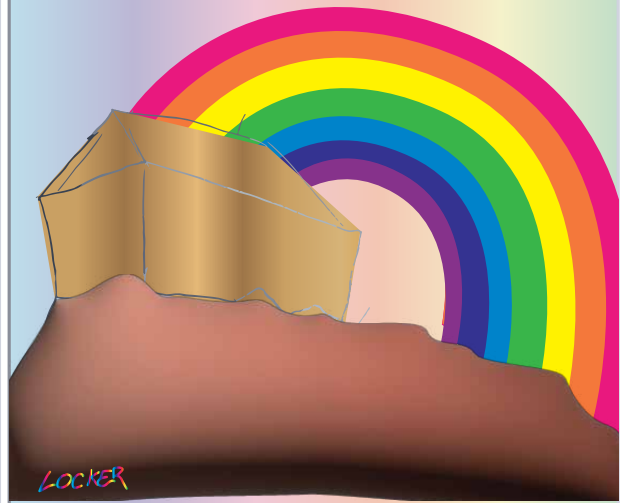
I LOVE ANIMALS



I'M NOT SO SURE I LOVE ANIMALS



I LOVE HASHEM



PICKLE JEWZ GUEST SUBMISSION

THIS WEEK, WE HAVE A COMIC MADE BY CAMP NAGEELA WEST ALUMNUS ROYCE ROZEA.

Submit your own comics, jokes, or torah thoughts at dlocker@nageelawest.org and we may just publish it!



StumptheRabbi

is a forum where kids can

ask ANY Jewish question.

Have a question? Please send it in to stump@nageelawest.org

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

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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EnTROPy



**stump the
rabbi**

Hi Rabbi,

I'm learning for my Bar mitzvah. Learning the trop is really hard, and I was wondering if it's important. Why does the tunel use matter so much?

Thanks,

Tom Kriyah

Dear Tom,

One of the greatest days in a high school student's life is when the teacher is absent. The joy is palpable. A full 40 minutes to do as you please. When I was in high school, anytime there was a free period, there was a mad rush toward the basketball courts. It would have been unfortunate had any person or small mammal been in that staircase when the thundering hooves pounded their way toward the schoolyard. Remember Mufasa? Thought so. Except one time. Our English teacher was away and someone decided we needed to actually learn this time, so they showed us the most incredibly boring video ever created. In it, several actors were taking turns reading lines of Shakespeare, changing their tone and inflection. "In sooth, I know not why I am so sad." "In SOOTH, I know NOT why I am so sad." "In sooth, I KNOW not why I am so sad." "In sooth, I know not why I am so SAD?" "In sooth, I know not why-I-am-so sad." And on it went, for about 40 minutes. I don't think I learned anything about Shakespeare from that video, except that he didn't know why he was sad. I did learn that even with the same exact words, there can be huge differences in meaning depending on the tone, body language, word groupings and pronunciation. You take two actors and give them



the same words, and you can get a totally different impression.

The Torah is our most important document. It contains vital words of wisdom, life lessons and the rules we need to live our best lives. Yet the Torah is difficult to understand. It's made more difficult because Torah scrolls don't have punctuation, vowels or ice cream shops (don't roll your eyes at me, it's true!). The tunes of the Torah trop actually do help us group words properly and give hints to help us properly decode the information the Torah contains.

These tunes are so essential to understanding and reading the Torah properly, that according to one opinion in the Talmud (Nedarim 37b), they are required by Torah law! Some sources have the tunes and the symbols date back as early as Moses. The Talmud mentions King Solomon using 'te'amim' which is the Hebrew word for trop.

On a simpler level, using a tune helps you remember stuff. Think about school... You might not be able to remember the names of all 44 countries in Europe, or what year the War of 1812 happened in, but you probably know dozens of songs by heart, lyrics and all. You even know what parts to start playing air guitar. Because tunes are great memory aids. Many a Bar Mitzvah student has

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from learning trop because it makes learning your parsha way easier.

As far as Jewish law is concerned, don't worry about messing up the trop. People might throw things at you, but hey, it's your bar mitzvah, and they're gonna throw things anyway. The only parts of Torah reading that are serious problem to make a mistake on is mispronouncing words in a way that changes the meaning. So do your best to learn the trop because, as we've mentioned, the tune will help you remember it, and because it helps the understanding of the Torah's meaning. But don't stress it too much. That will lead to entropy.

Have a Nageela Shabbos,

The Rabbi

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How many fish died during the great flood of Noah?

NO CHEATING!
Think before you look at the answer on page 6!

PARTIAL PARTIA

The Torah is the Jewish book of everything. For thousands of years, we've been dividing the Torah into smaller bitesized portions, each called a 'Sidra' or 'Parsha' and reading a portion or two each Shabbos. Most of our Dvar Torah articles are based on the weekly Parsha, so we're thinking about including this as a weekly segment, giving bullet points of what happens in the Parsha of the week. With some side comments thrown in. Please give us feedback!

- Noah has three sons. One of them is named "Name."
- That generation was corrupt and evil, so God decides to bring a flood to wash it all away.
- Noah spends 120 years building a large floating craft (I guess it was a craft project) hoping that the people would see it and either learn to swim or become better.
- Noah brings 2 of each unkosher and 14 of each kosher animal onto his ark so they could survive and repopulate the world.
- The flood lasts a year during which time all the people who aren't on board and all the land animals are lost
- Noah gets a DUI (davening under intoxication), and while drunk, one of his sons (Ham) disgraces him, while his other sons (Shem and Yafes) try to hide his embarrassment. This is the world's first cover up (second, if you count last week's fig clothing).
- Noah's children have children of their own and for the next few hundred years they begin forming nations.
- They all get together to build a tower and challenge God (yeah, smart idea kiddos). God disables their Google translate apps and they end up being unable to work together. They scatter to form new nations with their own languages (only some of which make any sense).
- We are introduced to Abram, the son of Terach

WOULD JEW RATHER?

This week on Instagram, we asked people to vote on which Jewish matriarch they'd most like to meet. At the time of publishing, here are the results:

A bit surprised there weren't more Rachel votes. Sarah is the unsurprising winner, though.

Next week's question:
Which Israeli snack food do you prefer?
Hummus, Bamba, Bissli or Krembo

WHO WOULD YOU MEET?

Sarah	35%
Rebecca	24%
Rachel	12%
Leah	29%

A MONTHLY JEWISH THING

THE JEWNIOR CHALLENGE

FOR AWESOMETASTIC 4-8 GRADERS

Jewish Calendar

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**KEEP
DEEP
THOUGHTS**

How did the first clock get set? make it up?

What did they base the time on? Did they just

“It kinda feels like 12:37 right now.”

LOLZ

HOW DO YOU KNOW THE HORSES ON NOAH'S ARK WERE PESSIMISTIC?

THEY WERE ALWAYS SAYING NEIGH.

THINK YOU CAN DO BETTER? YOU'RE PROBABLY RIGHT.
SEND YOUR JOKES IN TO DLOCKER@NAGEELAWEST.ORG

**ANSWER
OF THE WEEK**

According to the Talmud, no fish died in the flood

**WHAT'S THE DILL?
WEIRD THINGS JEWS DO**

WHY DO JEWS BREAK A GLASS AT A WEDDING?

EVER SINCE THE HOLY TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM WAS DESTROYED 2000 YEARS AGO, WE NEVER ALLOW OUR JOY TO BE COMPLETE. SO DURING A WEDDING WHICH IS OUR GREATEST JOY, WE REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL SADNESS.

Upcoming programs, events and as-sorted other stuff you should know about:

MONDAY, Oct 23:
STICKER DROP- Las Vegas Jewnior NCSY at ZJA

WEDNESDAY, Oct 25: Los Angeles Paint Night @ NCSY HQ

THURSDAY, Oct 26: CHAPTER WARS part 2
ONGOING: Monthly Jewnior Challenge. Watch the vid, take the Kahoot!

WEDNESDAY, Nov 1: Park City Jewish Teen Empowerment, Krav Maga- Part 1

THURSDAY, Nov 30: Early Bird ends for Nageela West

HBD

Happy Birthday wishes to the following Nageela family members:

**Shifra Tabak
Revital Kashani
Heshy Nemer
Sean Shamama**

**Stav Malka
Tova Locker
Alyssa Dixon**

Park City teens enjoying bowling and some Jewish discussion last Sunday at Deer Valley



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