

מסכת
בִּיּוֹצָה
דף כ"ט

DAF YOMI4 KIDS

Inside the Daf

On Festivals, we are not allowed to do anything that looks like a business activity we would do during the week. These business-like activities are called "עִנְבֻדָּא דְחוּל" (weekday activity).

For example, רַבָּא says that if you borrow food from your neighbor on a Festival, you may not tell him, "give me such-and-such a measure of food," because asking for a certain measure of food is something customers do when they buy food. Rather, the person borrowing the food should give his neighbor a cup and say, "please fill this cup for me," without naming the measurement.

The מְשָׁנָה tells us about other activities that should not be done on a Festival in the same way they are done during the week.

For example, if one needs to bring pitchers of wine from one place to another, he may not carry them in a box because this is too close to the weekday activity of carrying large burdens. Instead, he should carry a few pitchers at a time on his shoulder. By doing this it is clear he doesn't want to carry a large burden, but wants the wine for the Festival.

Also, if one is carrying straw (for animal food or fuel) he should not sling it over his shoulder to carry it. That would be insulting to the holiness of the Festival day because it looks like he is preparing to carry the straw for a far distance or to do a lot of work. Rather, he should carry the straw in his hands.



Did You Know...

Even though the Torah does not allow one to wear clothing made of a wool-linen mixture, one is allowed to wear צִיּוֹצִית made of this mixture. This is because the positive commandment of צִיּוֹצִית overrides the negative commandment against wearing wool and linen together.

WORD OF THE DAY:

אַלְמָא

"WE SEE"

Fizzed Out

Have you ever poured yourself a glass of soda? You probably noticed that foam appears at the top of the glass you poured the soda into. You also probably noticed that after a while, the foam disappears making the glass look less full.

This also happens with wine. It was a problem אָבאָ שְׂאוּל בֶּן בְּטַנִּית knew well.

אָבאָ שְׂאוּל בֶּן בְּטַנִּית was a wine merchant who would pour wine from his large barrels into smaller pitchers of wine to sell. The problem was, the smaller pitchers looked full after he poured the



A Moment

"Uh-oh," said Elijah. As student council treasurer he had just checked the money box. Not a penny was missing. In fact, it was just the opposite problem. There was too *much* money in the box.

All of student council's money came from snacks they sold at recess. When all the snacks were sold, there would be \$120 in the money box. Elijah found \$150. That means some people had paid too much money for the treats! But who? It would be impossible to find the people who were owed their money back...

Elijah told his problem to his teacher.

"That's an interesting problem," his teacher sympathized. "The גַּמְרָא says, if someone stole but does not know from whom he stole, the funds should be used for public needs. Now I know you didn't 'steal' this money; it was an accident. But you still owe it back."

"I can donate the money to get a new basketball for the gym!" Elijah said. "That's something everyone can benefit from and besides, the gym has needed a new ball for a long time. Thanks for the advice!"

wine into them, but then the foam dissolved leaving the pitchers slightly empty. This meant that even after all the small pitchers had been filled to the top, אָבאָ שְׂאוּל בֶּן בְּטַנִּית still had wine leftover in his large barrels. In fact, he had 300 barrels of wine leftover!

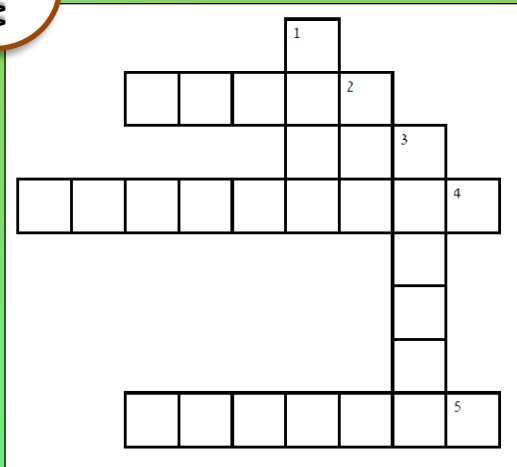
אָבאָ שְׂאוּל בֶּן בְּטַנִּית wanted to know what to do with his leftover wine.

He was told to sell the wine and use the money for the community's needs. רַב חֲסֵדָא explains that community needs include maintaining water reservoirs in pits, cisterns and caves.

Games

Hebrew

WORD
CROSS
WORD



Across

- 2. "Set aside"
- 4. Weekday activity
- 5. _____ עָרֹב

Down

- 1. Born
- 3. Festival

ביצה דף כ"ט - Review Questions

1. Define: עֹבְדָא דְחוּל?

2. Give an example of "community needs" according to רַב חֲסֵדָא.

3. What would אָבאָ שְׂאוּל בֶּן בְּטַנִּית do at night so he would have more time to be in the study hall by day?
