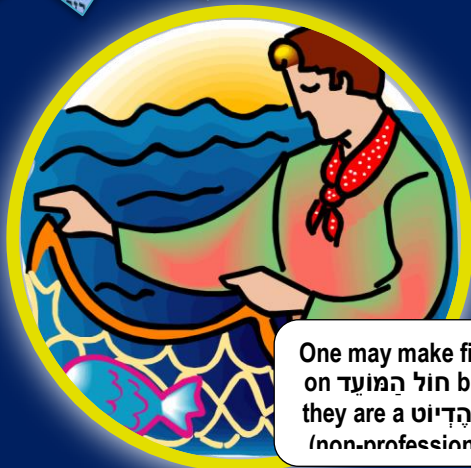


מסכת
 מועד קטן
 דף יא

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One may make fish nets on חול המועד because they are a **מעשה הדיוט** (non-professional job)



One may build a stone fence without cementing the fence together. This is a **מעשה הדיוט** (non-professional job)



One may build an oven if it is a **מעשה אומן** (professional job) since it is used to make food edible

Inside the Daf

Sometimes, work is allowed on חול המועד only if it is a **מעשה הדיוט**, work that a non-professional can do. For example, fish traps may be made on חול המועד since it is a simple task to make such nets and does not require a professional. On the other hand, bird nets may not be made because they require a professional to make. Professional work is called "**מעשה אומן**".

A **מעשה אומן** is allowed to make a utensil that makes food fit to eat. For example, **רב יהודה** ruled that **אמי** the Oven Maker could build a new oven on חול המועד since an oven makes food fit to eat. Even so, bird nets may not be made because they do not *make* food fit for eating, but rather *trap* food. Therefore, they may be made only by a **מעשה הדיוט**.

One may build a fence for a roof in a non-professional way. For example, **רב יוסף** says a fence may be built with woven palm branches and wood branches or by piling stones on top of one another but not by cementing them together.



Did You Know...

אדא, the Fisherman gave advice to **רב** about healthy ways to eat fish. Some of his "recipes" included broiling fish in salt, place it in water and dip it in fish broth. This should be accompanied by a drink of water.

Mourner's Work

We have discussed the rules for working and not working on חול המועד but there is a sadder time when working is not allowed, when one is a mourner.

A mourner may not work for seven days after the death of a close relative. This means he may not work at an olive press during this time.

After olives are picked, they are put in a large tub to soften. Once they've softened, they are turned over and put inside an olive press to be crushed. Once they are turned over, they need to be pressed right away or they will spoil.


What happens if someone has turned his olives over and then finds out a close relative has died? If he doesn't finish pressing the olives, they will spoil and he will lose money. רבן גמליאל says if there is no one who knows how to press olives except for the mourner, he may press them in private so that he does not lose his money.

A מְדוּת Moment

"Hi, Corey," said his father, "have you finished doing that typing work Rabbi Kaplinsky is paying you to do?"

"Nahh, it's too hard," said Corey. "I'll just tell him on Monday I didn't do it." And with that Corey put his feet back up on the table and went back to reading his book.

"Corey, It's so important to keep your word when you say you will work for someone," his father said gently taking the book away. "Actually, the גמרא says that even though a mourner is not allowed to work, he can sometimes complete a job he promised to do before he became a mourner. We see how important it is to keep your word to finish a job!"

WORD OF THE DAY:

אִינִי
 "IS THAT SO?"

Games

WHICH ONE DOESN'T BELONG? WHY?

- 1) Bird nets, מעשה הדיוט, מעשה אומן
- 2) Cement roof fence, fishing net, oven
- 3) Bird net, fishing net, oven
- 4) Stone roof fence, מעשה הדיוט, מעשה אומן

מועד קטן דף י"א – Review Questions

1. What is a מעשה אומן and a מעשה הדיוט?

2. What may a mourner not do for seven days after a close relative dies?

3. What did אדא, the Fisherman tell רב?