

Children's Torah Portion



וַיְרָא Vayeira



Avraham was sitting at the entrance of his tent, when he saw three men coming to him. He ran to them and offered them some food, which they accepted. The men, who were actually malachim (angels), told Avraham that Sarah would have a baby. Sarah laughed at this, because she was so old, but the malachim, again, said that she would have a baby.

When they were leaving, Avraham walked with them part of the way, and YHWH told him that Sodom was going to be destroyed. Avraham pleaded with YHWH, because of Lot, his brother's son, that if there were fifty righteous men in the city that He would not destroy it ;and kept going down until he got to ten. YHWH said that He would not destroy it if there were ten righteous men in the city.

That night, two malachim went to Sodom. When Lot saw them, he ran to them and invited them to his house for the night. When they were going to go to bed, the townspeople came to Lot's house begging to come in. When Lot said "No" they started beating on him and trying to break the door down, but the malachim reached out and pulled him in the house. The men outside were struck with blindness and groped for the door. The malachim told Lot that the city would be destroyed and to get out of there quickly. When they left the city, the malachim told them not to look back, but Lot's wife looked back at the burning city and was transformed into a pillar of salt.

A while after that, Avraham and Sarah traveled to Gerar, where Avraham said that Sarah was his sister. Avimelech took Sarah to his house. YHWH told Avimelech, in a dream, that he would die, because of Sarah, but Avimelech had not touched her and did not know that she was married, so he asked YHWH to forgive him. YHWH said that, if he returned Sarah to Avraham, he could live. So, Avimelech returned Sarah to

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Avraham along with many gifts, and YHWH healed Avimelech.

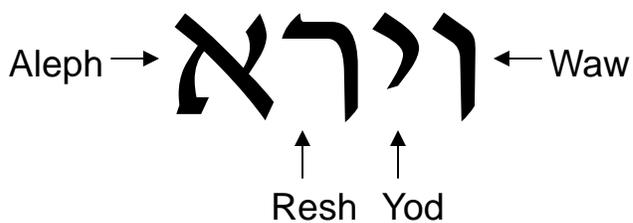
YHWH remembered his promise to Sarah and gave her a son, whom she named Yitzchak, which means “laughter”. Ishmael, Hagar’s son mocked Yitzchak, which greatly angered Sarah. She told Avraham to send Hagar and Ishmael away. This upset Avraham because of his son, Ishmael, but YHWH told him to send them away and promised him that Ishmael, too, would be the father of a great nation, along with Yitzchak. So Avraham sent them away, with some water.

When all the water was gone, Hagar set Ishmael under a tree and went away and wept, because she did not want to watch her child die. YHWH came to her and told her that her son would not die and opened her eyes, and she saw a well. She went a filled up her water skin, and gave some water to Ishmael.

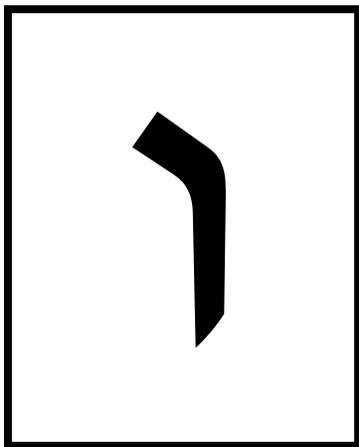
YHWH told Avraham to sacrifice his son, Yitzchak. So early in the morning, he took Yitzchak to the place where YHWH had told him. On the way there, Yitzchak asked Avraham where the lamb was, because they had fire and wood, but no lamb. Avraham told him that YHWH was going to provide one for them when they got there. When they arrived, Avraham bound Yitzchak and put him on the altar. When he was about to slaughter Yitzchak, YHWH called out to him, telling him not to slaughter his son. Avraham passed the test, that YHWH had given him to see whether he would withhold his son or not. And Avraham looked and saw a ram, caught in the thickets, and sacrificed it instead of Yitzchak. Because Avraham had passed the test, YHWH promised him that he would be blessed.



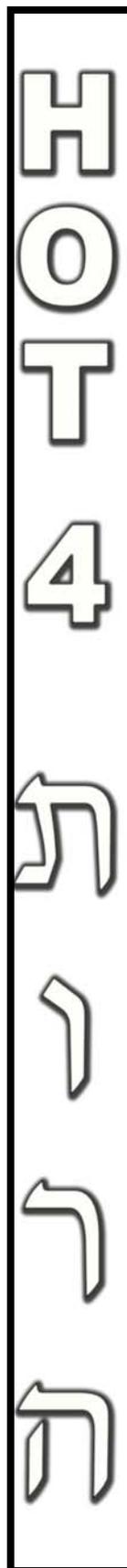
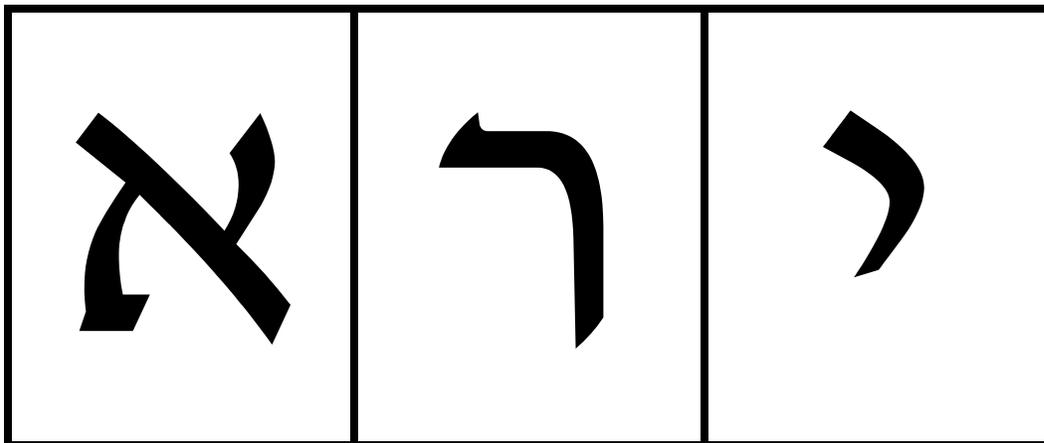
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You try writing it!



Cut out the cards, mix them up, then try to put them in the correct order without looking at this page.



Find the Ram. Color the Picture.



Words to learn.

Hebrew word	יִשְׂרָאֵל	בְּנֵי	הַשָּׁמַיִם	שֵׁם
Pronunciation	Yisra'el	B'nay	Ha'Shamiyim	Shame
Meaning	Israel	Children	The Heavens	Name

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Aleph-Bet Sudoku

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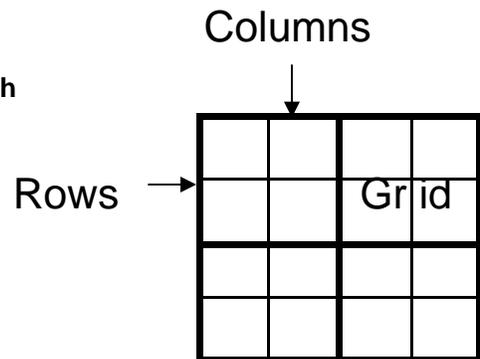
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each grid will only have one each of the four characters.

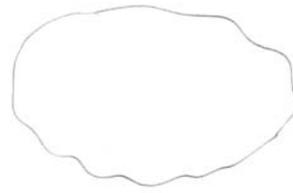
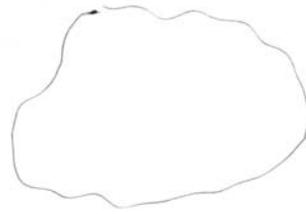
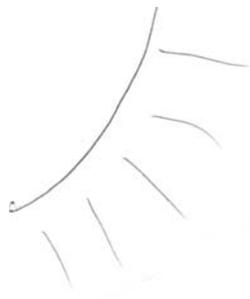
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Rows are the ones going across.

Grids are the large, dark squares consisting of four smaller squares.



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