

Parsha Pearls

Devarim

"Words"

Deuteronomy 1:1 - 3:22

Katan Bet/Gadol



In This Edition:

44.1 - Recounting Events - Part 1

Deuteronomy 1



DEVARIM OVERVIEW

'Words'...Devarim

Today, we are starting the fifth and final book of the Torah, called Devarim. The parsha begins with "These are the words"; therefore Devarim means 'words'. In English, however, the 5th book of the Torah is called Deuteronomy, which has a different meaning from the Hebrew. Deuteronomy means a reiteration of the law, which is the main theme of the book of Devarim.

The 4th book of the Torah, Bemidbar/Numbers, ends with the 12 tribes of Yisra'el having received instruction regarding land inheritance that they are to divide amongst the tribes before they enter into Kena'an.

Because each parsha is so rich in information, we will only be able to examine certain parts of each parsha per lesson. We do encourage parents and their children to do their own studies. In future years, we will fill in the pieces from each parsha that we did not cover previously.

We start off the book of Devarim with the next generation of Yisra'elites prepared to enter in and conquer the land of Kena'an. But they won't enter in until Mosheh finishes taking a long, backward look at the main events and ways that Yahweh has dealt with the young nation up to this point. Mosheh's speech will impress some crucial lessons upon this next generation, and also reiterate the commands, laws, and right-rulings Yahweh has given them so that they may be successful and blessed. As he prepares to transfer the leadership over to Yehoshua, who is anointed to lead the children of Yisra'el over the Yarden, we will hear the wonderful blessings that Mosheh pronounces over Yisra'el before his death at the age of 120.

Here is a breakdown of the 11 parashot in the book of Devarim:

- Devarim (Words) - Ch. 1-3
- Va'etchanan (I pleaded) - Ch. 3-7
- Eikev (Because or Consequence) - Ch. 7-11
- Re'eh (Look or See) - Ch. 11-16
- Shoftim (Right rulers or Judges) - Ch. 16-21
- Ki Teitzei (When you go out) - Ch. 21-25
- Ki Tavo (When you come in) - Ch. 26-29
- Nitzavim (You are standing) - Ch. 29-30
- Vayeilech (And he went) - Ch. 31
- Ha'azinu (Give ear or Listen) - Ch. 32
- V'zot HaBracha (And this is the blessing) - Ch. 33-34

We pray that you will be blessed as we begin our study in the final book of the Torah. Let's dig in!

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This page will provide quick links to get to the portion of the document for which you are looking. When you hover over the title a finger will appear. Click on it and you will be taken directly to that page.

If you are new to Parsha Pearls, we have created an [Introduction](#) document outlining how to use our lessons, as well as a [Scriptural Inspiration](#) document, which explains our titles and the Scriptural inspiration for them. We pray that Parsha Pearls blesses your home and that your children will grow to love the Word and to never depart from keeping Torah. As always, feel free to email us at parshapearls@mtoi.org if you have any questions.

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Pearl Seeking

TREASURING HIS WORD

Let's do a quick overview of the entire Torah portion:

Monday:	Chapter 1:1-18	Mosheh recounts the events at Horeb (Mt.Sinai)
Tuesday:	Chapter 1:19-46	Mosheh recounts the appointing of leaders and the rebellion of the 10 spies
Wednesday:	Chapter 2:1-23	Mosheh recounts Yahweh's past instructions to avoid conflict with Edomites, Mo'abites and Ammonites as they traveled
Thursday:	Chapter 2:24-37	Yisra'el defeats sovereign Sihon of the Amorites
Friday:	Chapter 3:1-22	Yisra'el defeats the giant sovereign Og of Bashan

In this week's Parsha Pearls lesson, we begin looking at the instruction Yahweh gave to the next generation of the children of Yisra'el as they at last stand ready to enter the Promised Land. Mosheh recounts the event that led to their forefathers forfeiting their land inheritance and be sentenced to wander in the wilderness for 40 years until they gradually died off. Mosheh then addresses this new generation with full accounts of their parents' failures, as a witness to them NOT to act in the same manner. Now, let's read Deut. 1.

PARSHA POINTS

- In the 40th (**arba'im**) year, on the first day of the 11th (**achat esre**) month, Mosheh spoke to the children of Yisra'el all the words that Yahweh had commanded him concerning them - 1:3
- Beyond the Yarden (Jordan), in the land of Mo'ab (Moab), Mosheh undertook to declare this Torah to them (1:5-8):
 - You have dwelt long enough at this mountain (Horeb)
 - Turn and set out on your way...
 - See, I have set the land before you
 - Go in and possess the land which Yahweh swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Yitshaq, and to Ya'aqob, to give to them and their seed after them
- Mosheh told the children of Yisra'el that he was not able to take care of that many people by himself, as they had become as numerous as the stars of the heavens - 1:9-10
- He also told them that Yahweh was going to add to that amount 1000 times more and bless them as He had spoken to them - 1:11
- Mosheh reiterates his concern about trying to bear their pressure and burden and strife all by himself - 1:12



- Mosheh was then advised to then choose wise and understanding men, each of whom was a recognized tribal leader, known for their reputation, to become heads of the tribes - 1:13
- Mosheh took the heads of the tribes, wise and proven leaders, and made them (1:15):
 - heads over Yisra'el and officers for the tribes
 - leaders of thousands (**elef**)
 - leaders of hundreds (**me'ah**)
 - leaders of fifties (**chamishim**)
 - leaders of tens (**eser**)



- Mosheh instructed the judges (**shoftim**) in hearing matters between a man and his brother, or a stranger who dwelt with them (1:16-18):
 - Judge righteously (**tsedek**)
 - Do NOT show partiality in right-ruling
 - Hear the small (**katan**) as well as the great (**gadol**)
 - Do NOT be afraid of anyone's face, for the right-ruling belongs to Elohim
 - If a case is too hard for you, then bring it to me, and I shall hear it



- After they left Horeb, they traveled through all the great and awesome wilderness that they had seen on the way to the mountains of the Amorites, until they came to Qadesh Barnea - 1:19

The incident of the spies' report is recounted to the New Generation

(The first account is found in Parsha Pearls Lesson 37.1 Shelach prior to the instruction to wear tzitzit on their clothing found in Numbers 15:39-41.)

- See, Yahweh your Elohim has set the land before you - 1:21
- Go up and possess it, as Yahweh Elohim of your fathers has spoken to you - 1:21
- Do NOT fear, nor be discouraged - 1:21
- Mosheh then told how the people encouraged him to send out men prior to entering, to search out the land and let them know by which route they should go up, and to see what the cities were like - 1:22
- Mosheh revealed that the matter seemed good in his eyes, so he appointed 12 men -one man from each tribe - to spy out the land - 1:23-24
- The men came to the wadi Eshkol and searched it out, bringing back the luscious fruit of the land, with the report that the land which Yahweh was giving them was good - 1:25
- Mosheh then tells the new generation that the previous generation would not go up and take the land, thus rebelling against the mouth of Yahweh their Elohim - 1:26
- Instead, they grumbled in their tents, accusing Yahweh of hating them and intending to give them over to be killed by the hand of the Amorites - 1:27



- They justified their refusal to enter the land by reason of the 10 spies' evil reports, in which they heard of huge and numerous inhabitants living in great, high-walled cities. They lamented that their hearts were utterly melting from fear of hearing such news - 1:28



- Mosheh recounts to this new generation how he encouraged the children of Yisra'el to not have dread or fear of the land's inhabitants, for Yahweh their Elohim ever went before them, and would fight for them just as He had done in Mitsrayim - 1:29-30
- He explained to the children of Yisra'el how Yahweh had taken care of them in the wilderness, just as a father would take care for his son, faithfully leading them to this place - 1:31
- Mosheh then reprimanded them by pointing out, "Yet in this matter you are putting no trust in Yahweh your Elohim, who is going before you in the way to seek out a place for you to pitch your tents, to show you the way you should go, in fire by night and in a cloud by day." - 1:32-33
- Because of their evil words, Yahweh took an oath that none of them but Kaleb and Yehoshua would see the good land of which He had sworn to give to their fathers - 1:34-38
- Mosheh reminded the children of Yisra'el that he also was NOT to inherit the land, for Yahweh had become enraged at him for their sakes - 1:37
- At that time, Yahweh had declared that Yehoshua son of Nun, along with their little ones, who had no knowledge of good or evil, would be the ones to go in and possess the land - 1:39
- They were then ordered to turn back to the wilderness by the Way of the Sea of Reeds - 1:40
- But the children of Yisra'el decided that they were going to go ahead and try to obey Yahweh's first command. They girded on their battle gear and prepared to go up into the mountain - 1:41
- Mosheh continues his story, telling how Yahweh warned the people not to go into battle, for He was not in their midst, and they would be smitten - 1:42
- He went on to describe how the first generation would NOT listen and rebelled against the mouth of Yahweh. They acted proudly and went up the mountain anyway - 1:43
- Here calls how the Amorites drove back the children of Yisra'el and chased them as bees do - 1:44
- After all that, the children of Yisra'el returned and wept before Yahweh, but He would NOT listen to their voice any longer, nor give ear to them - 1:45



DIGGING DEEPER

Parents/Teachers may choose to use these prompts for further discussion of the Torah portion.

- Both in this parsha and in Exodus 18 we read about men being chosen to help Mosheh with leadership. Find and discuss the differences between the 2 accounts. Who told Mosheh to appoint leaders in both cases?
- In this parsha we also see a retelling of the story of the spies, from Numbers 13. Find and discuss the differences between these 2 accounts as well. Who told Mosheh to send out the spies in Numbers? Who told Mosheh to send out the spies in Deuteronomy? List some of the extra details given in this telling.
- Why do you think Mosheh goes to such lengths to retell the former events to this next generation? Could it be that Yahweh wants them to receive the blessing and NOT the curses?



Searching Out Hebrew

Parents/Teachers can print out the '[Hebrew Pronunciation Guide](#)' to help with the pronunciation of Hebrew names and words. They can be cut out and used in conjunction with the Flashcards.

WORDS

Parents/Teachers see the following page for 3 x 5 card cut outs of the words from this week's parsha. If printed on cardstock, they can be kept in a box to reinforce learning.

Shoftim (שופטים) judges

Tsedek (צדק) righteously

Katan (קטן) small/least

Gadol (גדול) big/great

NUMBERS

Parents/Teachers can print out these numbers to have as additional resources. These can be found under the 'Resources' tab on the YMTOI website.

10 - eser

11 - achat esre

40 - arba'im

50 - chamishim

100 - me'ah

1000 - elef

WORD MATCH

Match this week's Hebrew words to their correct definition.

Gadol

Big/Great

Katan

Judges

Shoftim

Righteously

Tsedek

Small/Least



FLASHCARDS

צדק

Tsedek

Tse-dek

righteously

גדול

Gadol

Ga-dol

big/great

שופטים

Shoftim

Shof-tim

judges

קטן

Katan

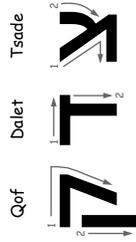
Ka-tan

small/least

WRITING HEBREW

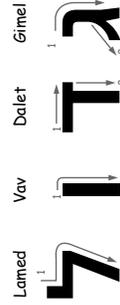
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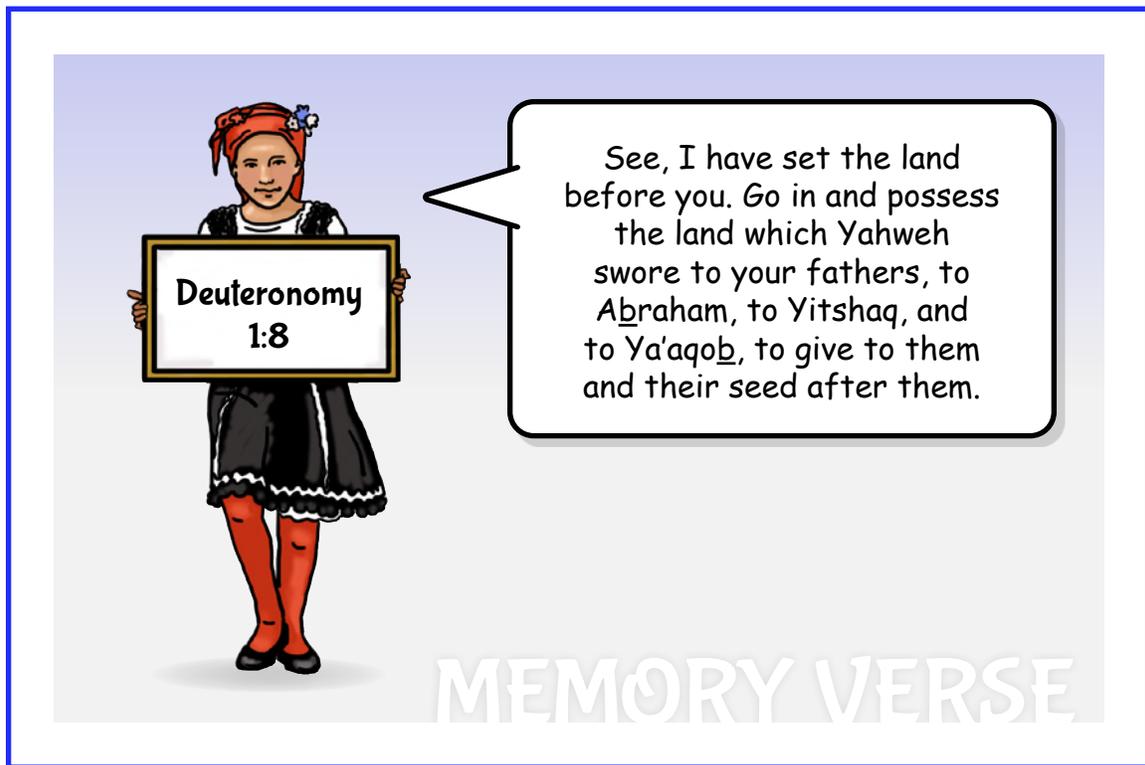


Counting What You Gained

This next section is intended to be reinforcement of the lessons learned during this parsha. Choose the activities that best fit your child.

STORING UP TREASURE IN MY HEART

The Katan Bet and Gadol memory verse is Deuteronomy 1:8. You can review the verse with them by reciting it out loud, acting it out, putting it to music...whatever works for you.



Deuteronomy
1:8

See, I have set the land before you. Go in and possess the land which Yahweh swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Yitshaq, and to Ya'aqob, to give to them and their seed after them.

MEMORY VERSE

SEEKING TREASURE



1.

As this parsha opens, how many years have the children of Yisra'el been in the wilderness?

Circle the correct choice.

40 4 400

(1:3)



2.

'See, I have _____ the land before you. _____ in and _____ the land which Yahweh swore to your fathers, to _____, to _____, and to _____, to give to them and their _____ after them.'

(1:8)



3.

The children of Yisra'el had increased as the stars of the heavens.

T / F

(1:9-10)



4.

How much more were they going increase by?

Circle the correct choice.

100X 1,000X 10,000x

(1:11)

5.

In order to be chosen for leadership, what 3 qualities did Mosheh say the men should possess?

Write them down.

(1:13)





6.

"And I commanded your judges at that time, saying, 'When hearing between your brothers, judge _____ between a man and his brother or the stranger who is with him. Do not show _____ in right-ruling, hear the _____ as well as the _____. Do not be _____ of anyone's face, for the right-ruling belongs to _____. And the case which is too hard for you, bring it to me, and I shall hear it.' "

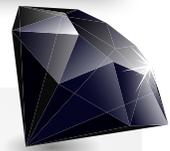
(1:16-17)



7.

What 2 things did Mosheh say the people did after the spies came back with their reports?

(1:26-27)



8.

What did the men say happened to their hearts after hearing the spies' reports?

- They melted
- They beat really quickly
- They turned cold

(1:28)



9.

When Mosheh described Yahweh's treatment of Yisra'el in verse 31 what relationship did he compare it to?

Circle the correct choice.

employer/employee father/son brother/brother

(1:31)



10.

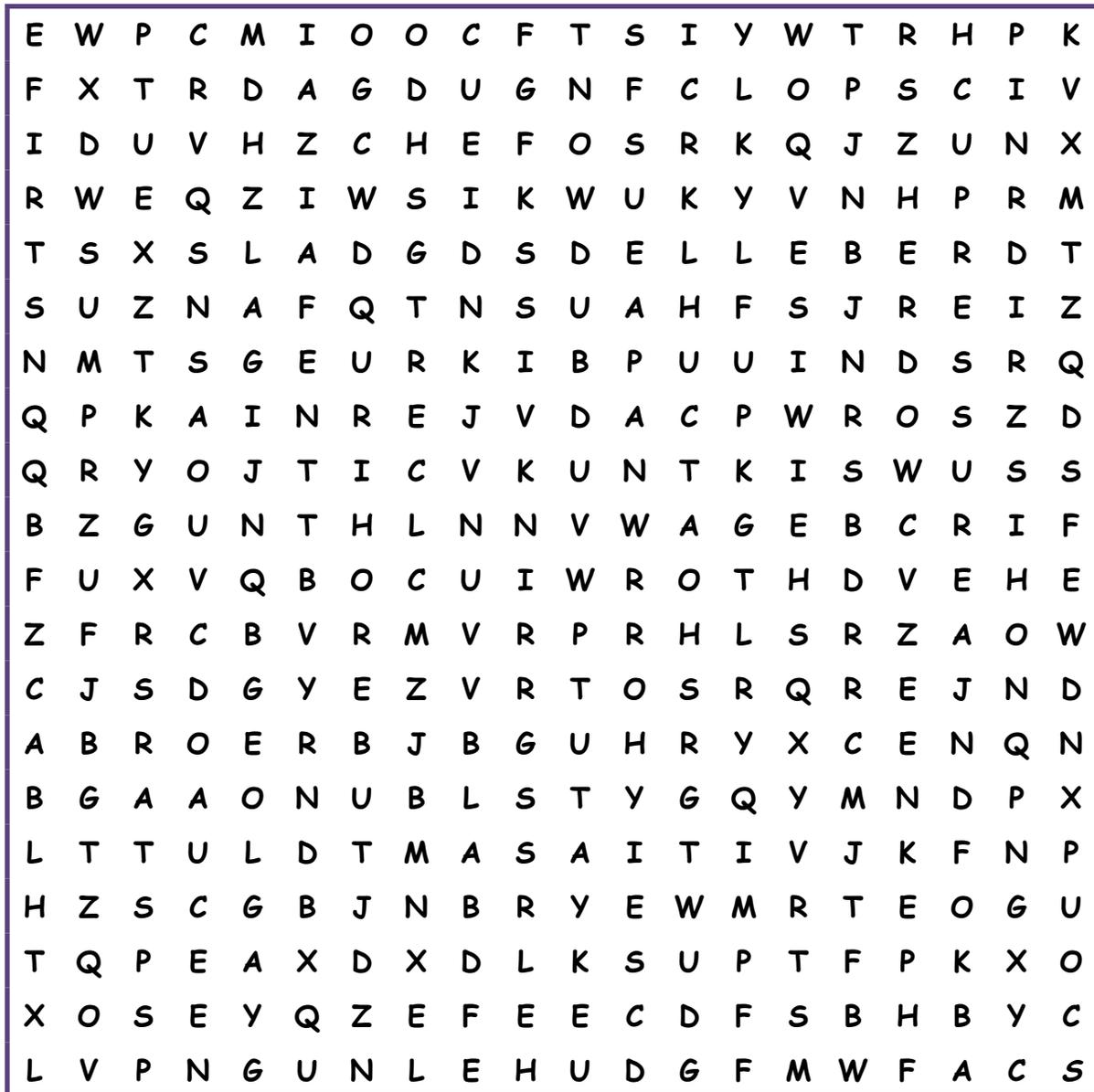
What was the main reason the Yisrae'lites did not obey?

(1:32)



WORD SEARCH

Search for the hidden words from this week's parsha.



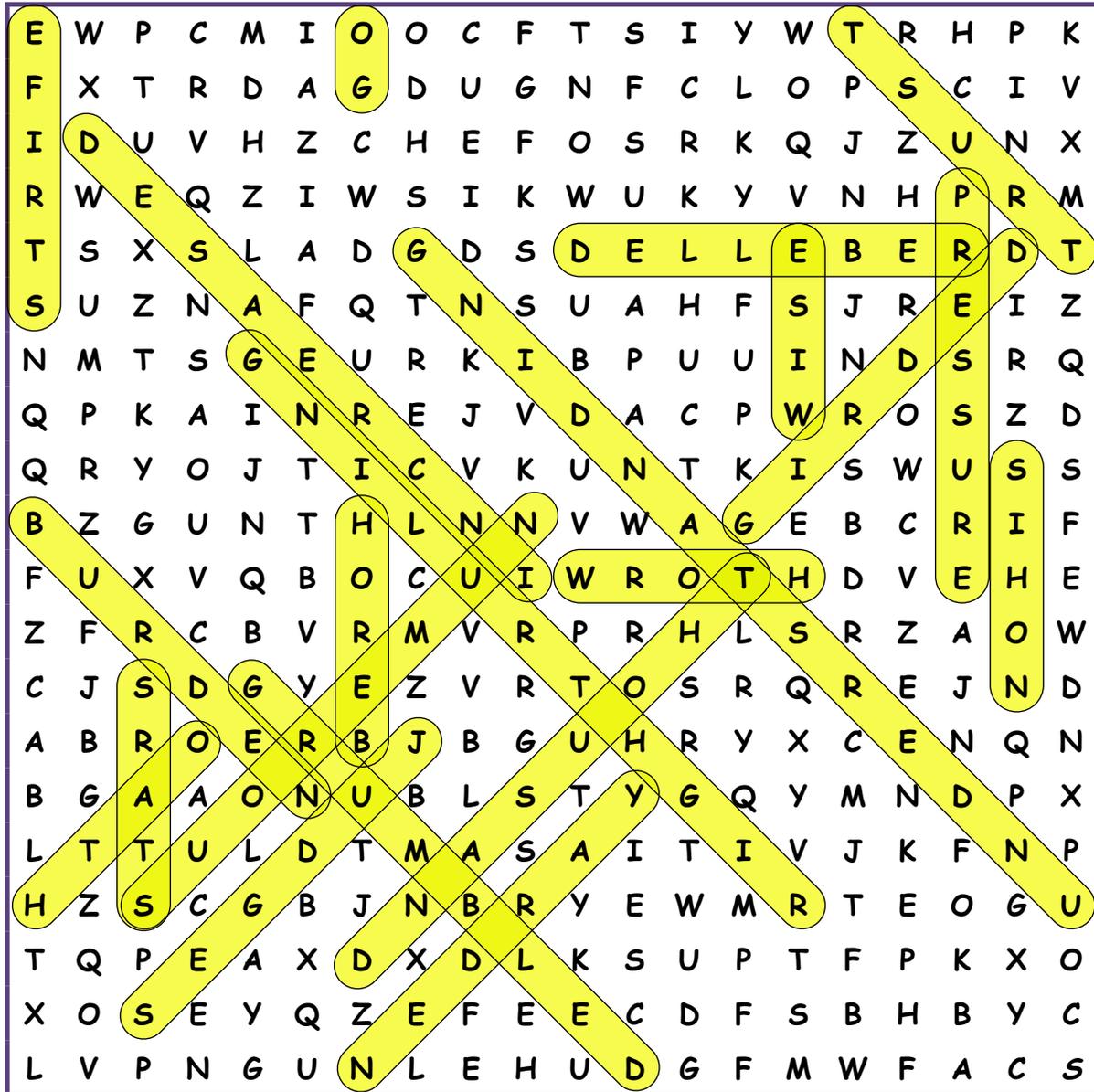
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Answer Key



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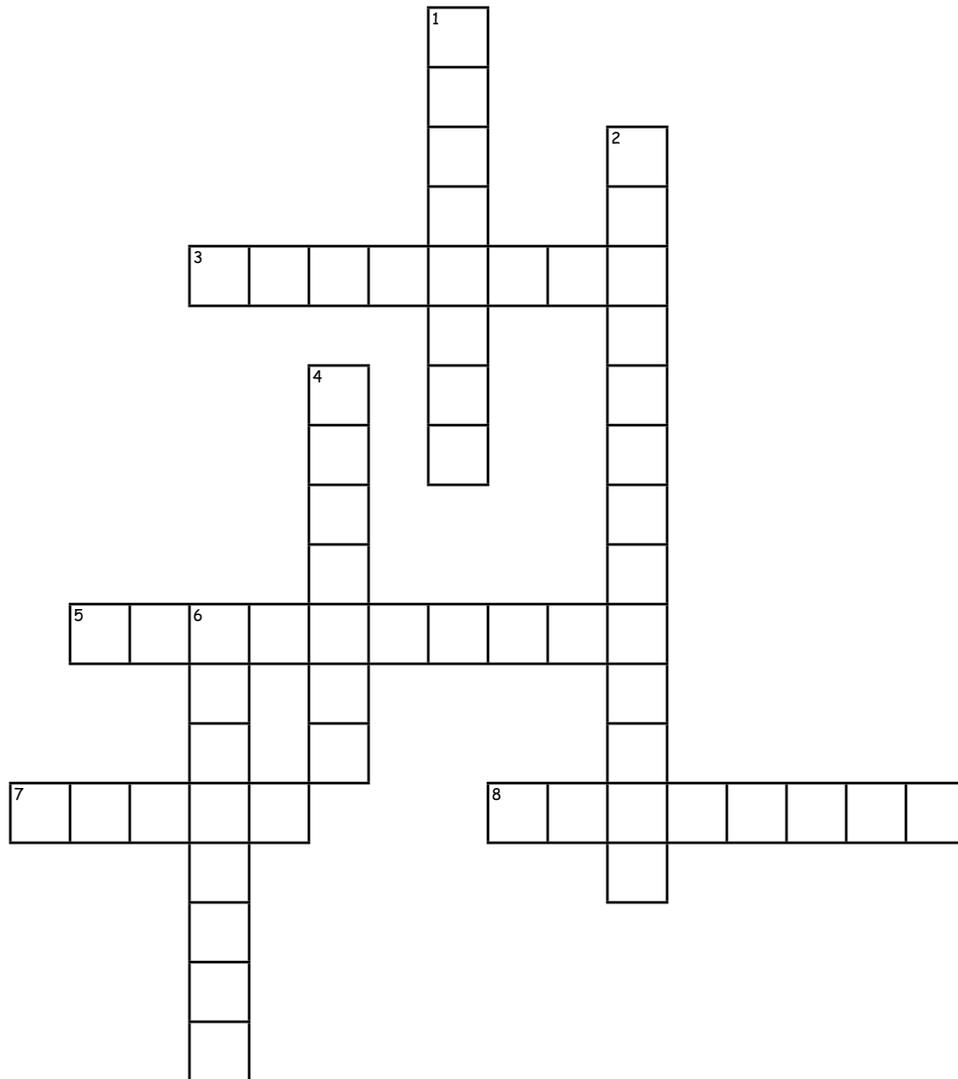
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Complete the crossword using words from this week's parsha.



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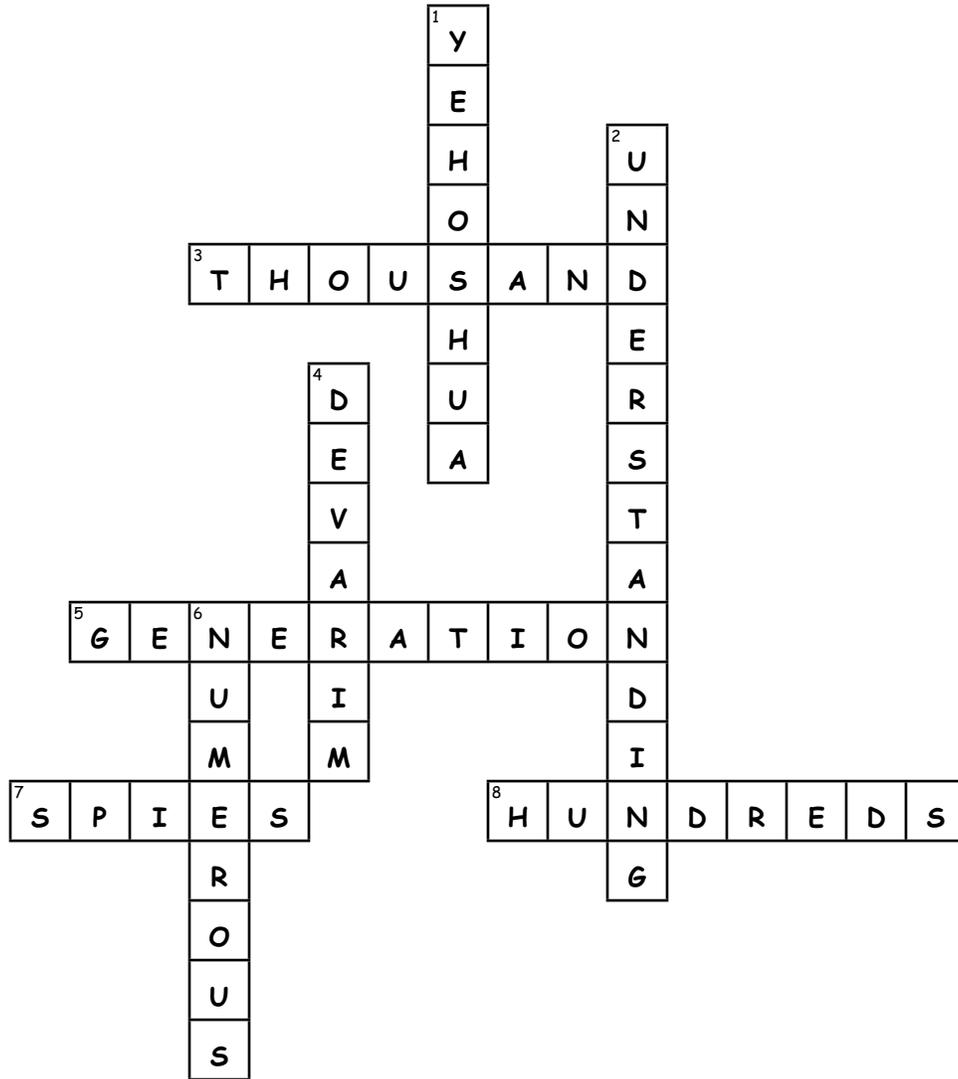
3. Yahweh was going to add a _____ times more.
5. Yahweh said that not one of these men of this evil _____ would see the land.
7. Mosheh recounted the story of the 12 _____.
8. Mosheh appointed leaders of tens, fifties, _____ and thousands.

Down

1. Only Kaleb and _____ would be able to see the land.
2. Yahweh wanted Mosheh to choose men that were wise and _____ to be heads of tribes.
4. The name of the fifth book of the Torah in Hebrew. _____
6. Mosheh said that they were as _____ as the stars of the heavens



Answer Key



Across

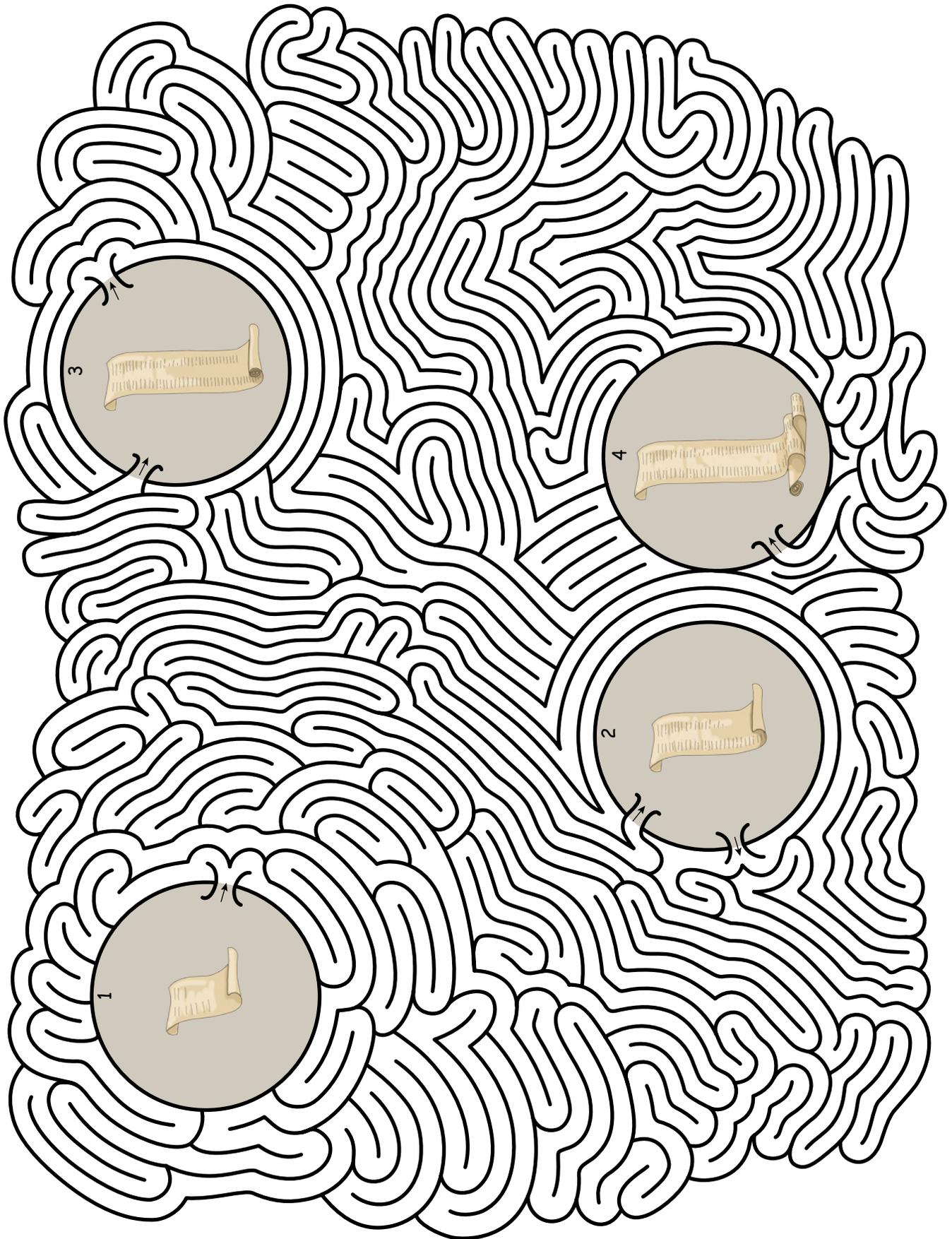
3. Yahweh was going to add a **thousand** times more.
5. Yahweh said that not one of these men of this evil **generation** would see the land.
7. Mosheh recounted the story of the 12 **spies**.
8. Mosheh appointed leaders of tens, fifties, **hundreds** and thousands.

Down

1. Only Kaleb and **Yehoshua** would be able to see the land.
2. Yahweh wanted Mosheh to choose men that were wise and **understanding** to be heads of tribes.
4. The name of the fifth book of the Torah in Hebrew. **Devarim**
6. Mosheh said that they were as **numerous** as the stars of the heavens



MAZE



Precious Possessions

NOTEBOOK PAGE

Judge Righteously

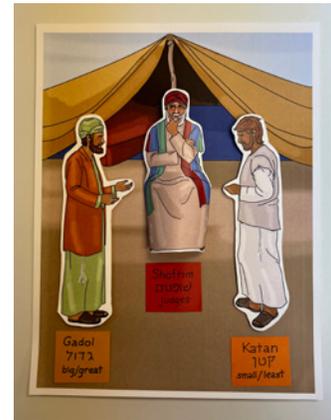
Deuteronomy 1:16-17

Materials:

- Cardstock - white
- Ruler (to assist in folding tabs)
- Double-sided adhesive foam dimensionals
- Double-sided adhesive tape
- Scissors
- Coloring pencils, crayons, or markers
- Notebook Page Templates: Main Page & A (BW) or Main Page & B (color)

Parent/Teacher Preparation:

- Print Notebook Page Templates of choice on white cardstock.



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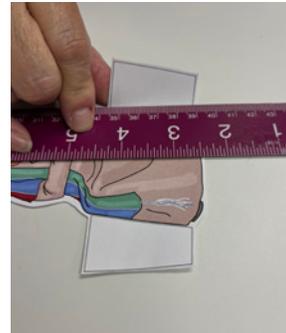
- If using BW Templates, color using medium of choice.
- Cut out all Notebook Templates. (P1)

Adding the Judge to the Main Page

- Using a ruler to assist you, fold the tabs inward on the judge. (P2a, P2b)
- Run double-side adhesive tape onto the front of the tabs of the judge and connect to the Main Page. (P3a, P3b, P3c, P3d)



P1



P2a



P2b



P3a



P3b



P3c



P3d

Instructions for the Notebook Page Cont'd:

Adding the Yisra'elites to the Main Page

- Adhere double-sided adhesive foam dimensionals onto the back of the 'rich man' and 'poor man'. (P4)
- Place the 'poor man' on the right side of the judge the 'rich man' on the left side of the judge. (P5a, P5b)
- Your page is now ready for the Hebrew Words. (P6)



P4

Hebrew Words

- Write the following directly onto the Main Page or a piece of colored cardstock and glue to the page:
 - 1) Shoftim 2) שופטים 3) Judges (P7)
 - 1) Katan 2) קטן 3) Small/Least (P8)
 - 1) Gadol 2) גדול 3) Big/Great (P9)



P5a



P5b

You now have a visual representation of a judge listening to the accounts of a 'rich man' and a 'poor man' so as to judge fairly as well as righteously.



P6



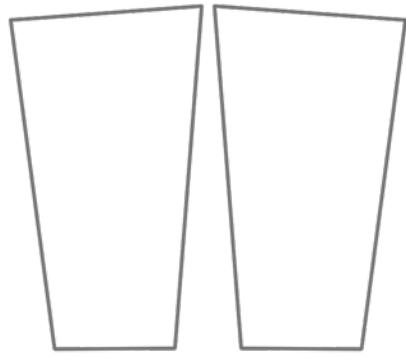
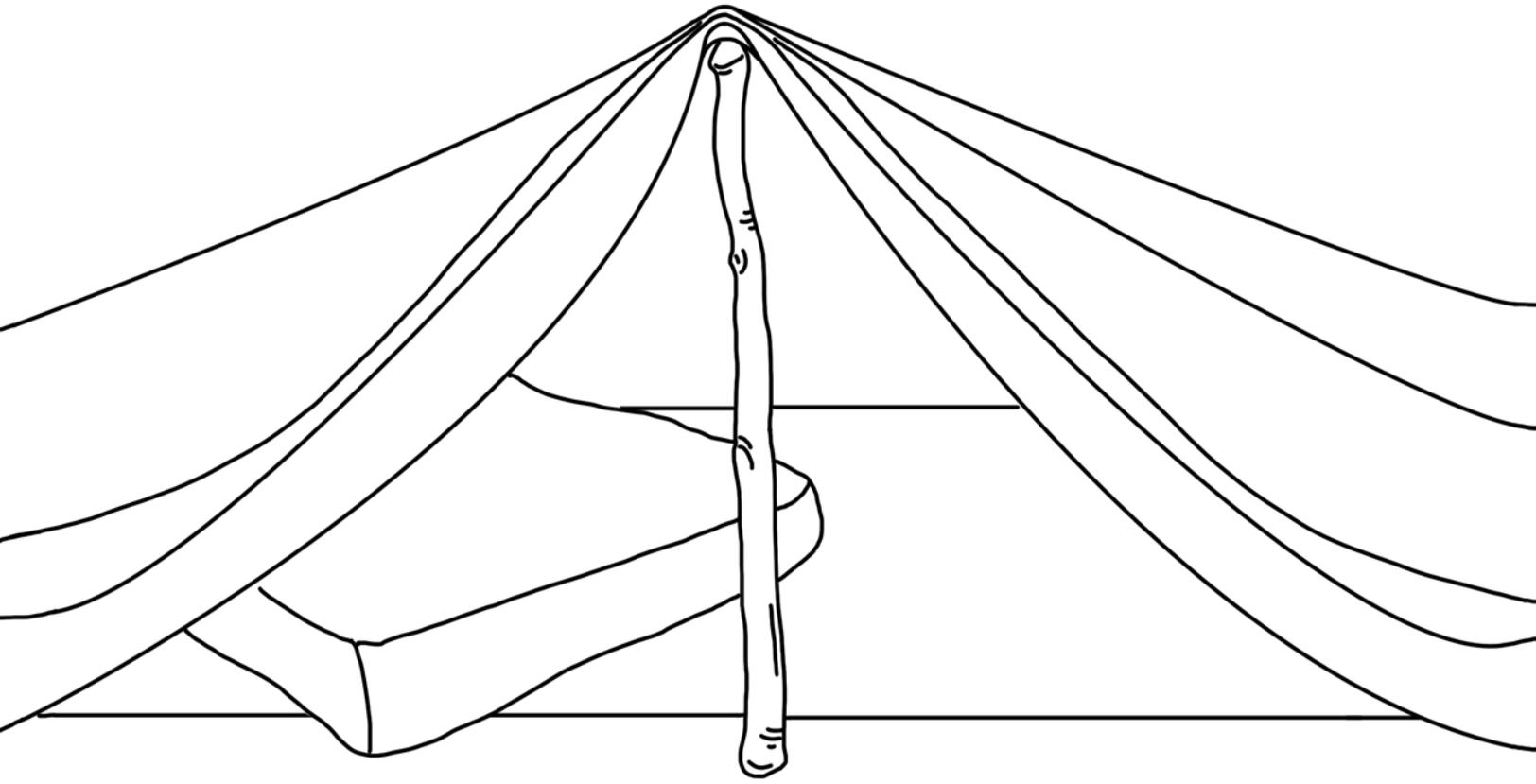
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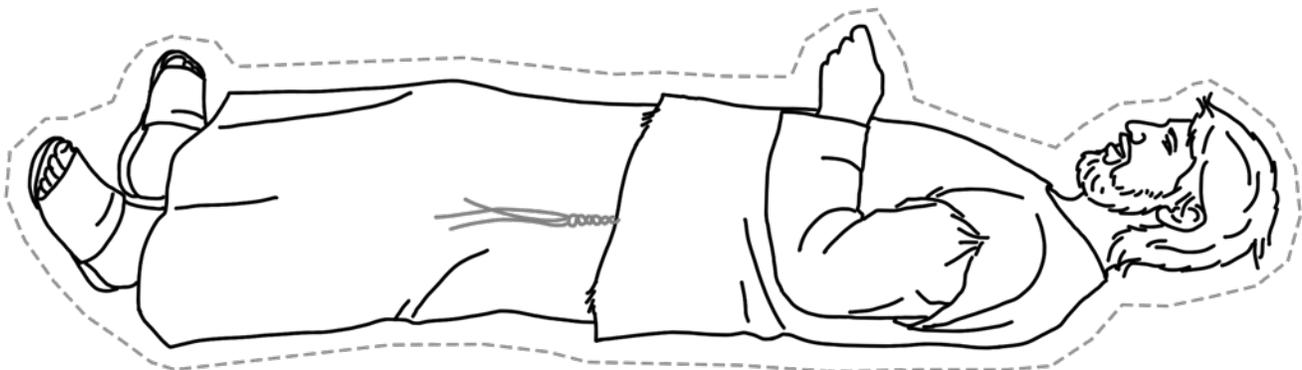
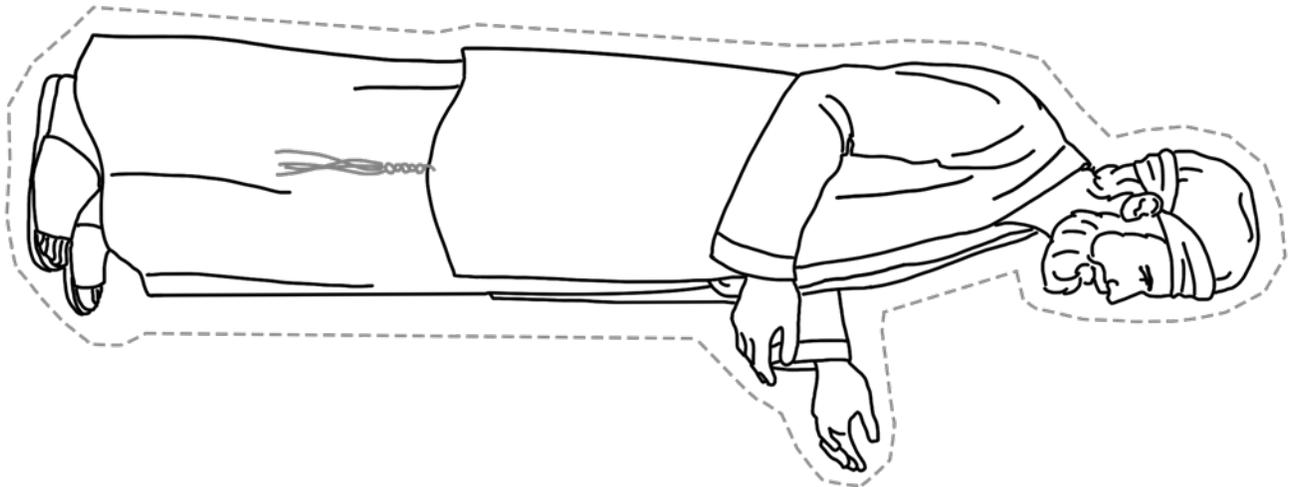
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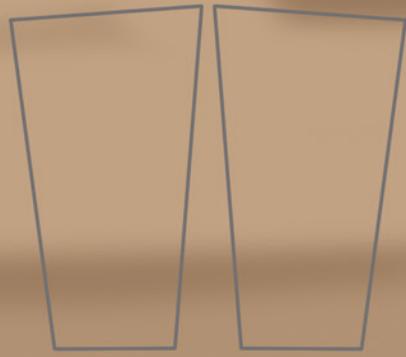


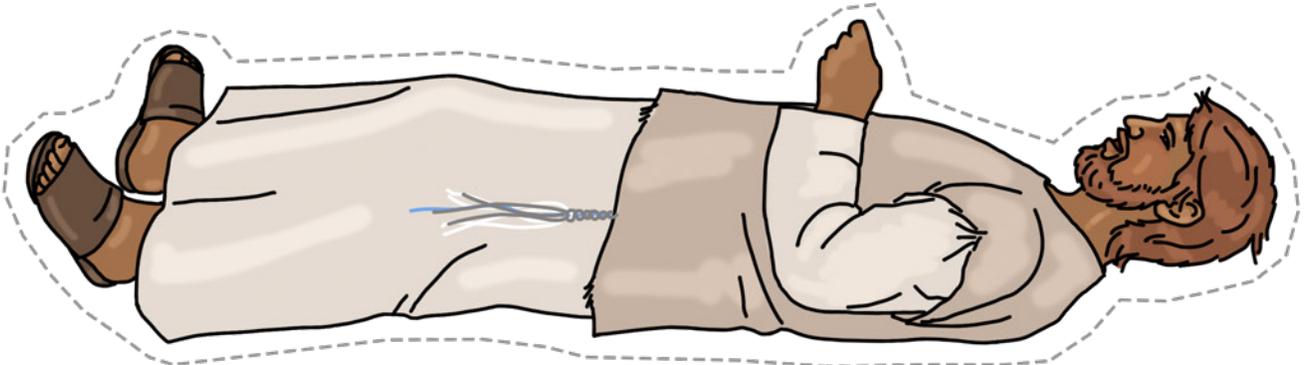
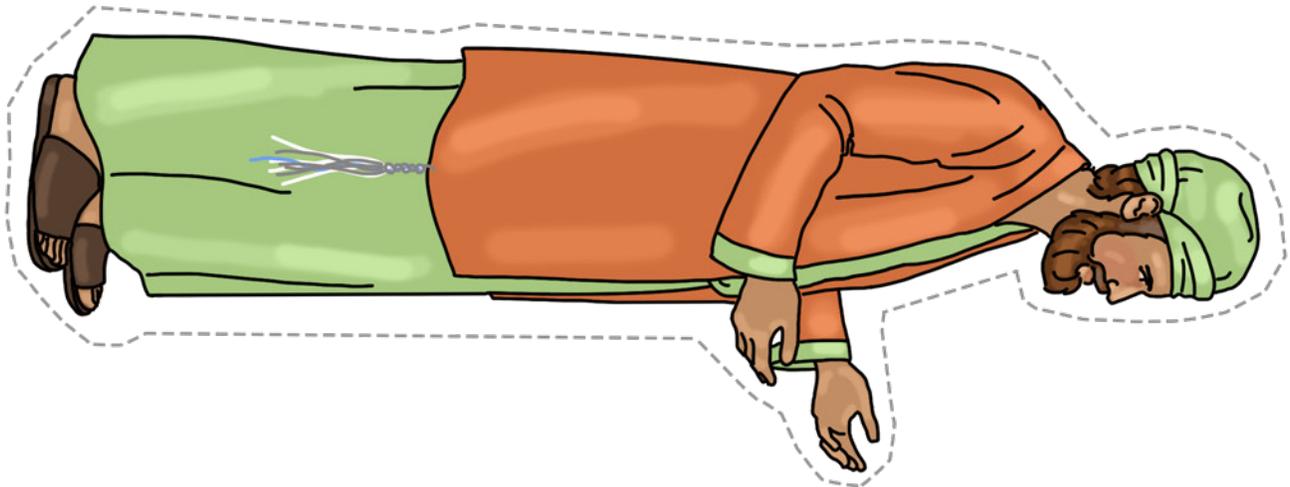
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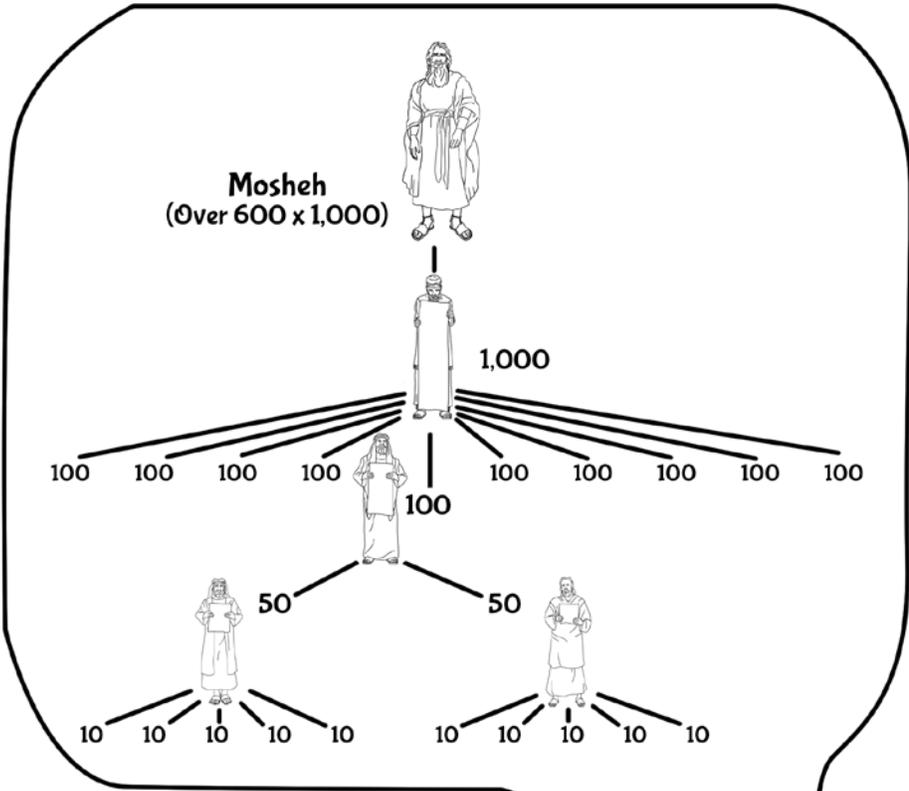


Notebook Template A (BW)









W A S I

"Words"
Deuteronomy 1:1 - 3:22

R T

Sweetness of Torah

SWEET SOUNDS OF TORAH

(Sing Praises to His Name)

Here is the link for this song:

https://www.podomatic.com/podcasts/steveberkson/episodes/2017-07-23T04_05_03-07_00

Sing to tune of "Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da"

Devarim Song

Time is nearing for the tribes to enter their land
As their leader Mosheh knows his death is close at hand
In Devarim Yisra'el's travels are reviewed
The years of wandering have ended for the tribes

With Yahweh's help we will fight, for the land which
will be our own Eretz Yisra'el, is for us alone

They continued on their travels, till they reached their goal
This land will become Yisra'el's home
Then they reached the land of Ammon and Mo'ab
Don't harm my sons Yahweh said from above

If we keep our faith in Yahweh, doing what He commands
Let others have their armies, but we'll capture our land

One side of the Yarden was in Yisra'el's hands
Two and a half tribes left their cattle in those lands
They promised Mosheh that they'd help their brothers settle in
They crossed the Yarden, and they helped them win

If we keep our faith in Yahweh, doing what He commands
Let others have their armies, but we'll capture our land



SWEET TASTE OF TORAH

This snack relates to this week's parsha. Please take these as suggestions and make necessary changes based on your individual dietary needs.

Star Cookies

Deuteronomy 1:10



Ingredients:

- 1 1/8 c. flour
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 c. vegetable shortening
- 1/4 c. brown sugar
- 1/2 c. sugar
- 1 large egg, beaten
- 1 tsp. vanilla

Instructions:

Mix the flour, baking soda and salt together. Cream the vegetable shortening and sugar together. Add egg and vanilla and beat thoroughly. Add the dry ingredients and mix well. Roll the dough flat and cut the cookies out with a star shaped cutter.

Lay the cookies on a cookie sheet and bake for about 10 minutes at 350°.

After they have cooled, apply vanilla frosting and dip in sugar crystals.

Serve these star shaped cookies to represent the children of Yisra'el.

Next Week's Treasure Hunt

Next Week's Torah Portion



Suggested Reading Schedule

Monday:	Deut. 3:23-28	Mosheh recounts his plea to enter the land; Yahweh instructs Mosheh to pass leadership to Yehoshua
Tuesday:	Deut. 4:1-49	Yahweh gives Yisra'el His laws and right-rulings
Wednesday:	Deut. 5:1-33	The 10 Commandments reviewed
Thursday:	Deut. 6:1-25	Yahweh gives Yisra'el commands, laws and right-rulings
Friday:	Deut. 7:1-11	Yahweh instructs Yisra'el on their interaction with the nations