

Parsha Pearls

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"Because or Consequence"

Deuteronomy 7:12 - 11:25
Katan Aleph



In This Edition:
46.1 - 7 Species
Deuteronomy 8



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Parsha Pearls is a comprehensive resource that allows for complete customization by the parent. We understand that if you were to strive to accomplish all aspects of each lesson in one day it would be unrealistic and also overload for the child. It is our intention that this be used 'a la carte' so that it suits your specific needs. Our site caters to printing only the pieces you choose.

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Gem Seeking

LITTLE GEMS STORY

Parent/Teacher Preparation:

Please see the [Instructions for the Little Gems Story](#) on the YMTOI website. This will help you to understand how to prepare for the story.

7 Species

Shalom children! Well, it has been a long time now since the Yisra'elites left Mitsrayim, and they are still on their journey towards the land of Yisra'el. I bet they were getting more and more excited about finally getting to cross the Yarden and go into the land that was promised to them! **(Place map of Yisra'el on board.)** But before Yahweh will let them go in, He has more things to teach them and more things that He wants to make sure they remember. **(Place Yisra'elites on board).**

The Yisra'elites have seen Yahweh do all kinds of amazing things for them, and now Mosheh is reminding them of all these things and telling them about all the blessings that they will receive in the land if they guard His commands. **(Place older Mosheh on board.)** He explains how Yahweh led them for 40 years in the wilderness, in order to make sure they were humble, and to see if they really wanted to guard His commands or not. Do you know what it means to be humble? **(Give children a chance to answer.)** It means that you don't think of yourself as being really great and powerful, but instead you remember that it is Yahweh who takes care of you and gives you everything.

Mosheh tells the Yisra'elites about how Yahweh allowed them to get hungry on their journey, and then fed them with manna. **(Place manna scene on board.)** He also reminds them that Yahweh has kept their clothing from getting ragged and has kept their feet comfortable by not allowing their sandals to wear out for the past forty years. **(Place people with ragged clothes, swollen feet and worn out sandals on board.)** Wow! They have been traveling all this time, and their feet didn't even get swollen! And can you imagine what it would be like to have your clothing last so many years? My clothes don't usually last that long!

Yahweh wants them to remember that He disciplines His people, just the way your parents might sometimes discipline you. If you do the wrong thing, your parents can correct you and show you the right way to behave. Yahweh is doing the same thing with the Yisra'elites. He wants to make sure they will respect Him, listen to Him, and do everything that He has told them to do.



Mosheh then tells the people that by listening to Yahweh and following His instructions, they will be able to enjoy the land that He will give them for a new home. Think of the prettiest place you have ever been. What did it look like? Was there water? Were there mountains? **(Let children answer.)** Mosheh tells the Yisra'elites that the land they will get to live in will have beautiful blue water, with fountains and springs and streams flowing through the valleys and hills. He says that they will have plenty of food to eat so that they won't get hungry. And there will be stones made of iron, and also copper in the hills. **(Place land of Kena'an scene on board.)**

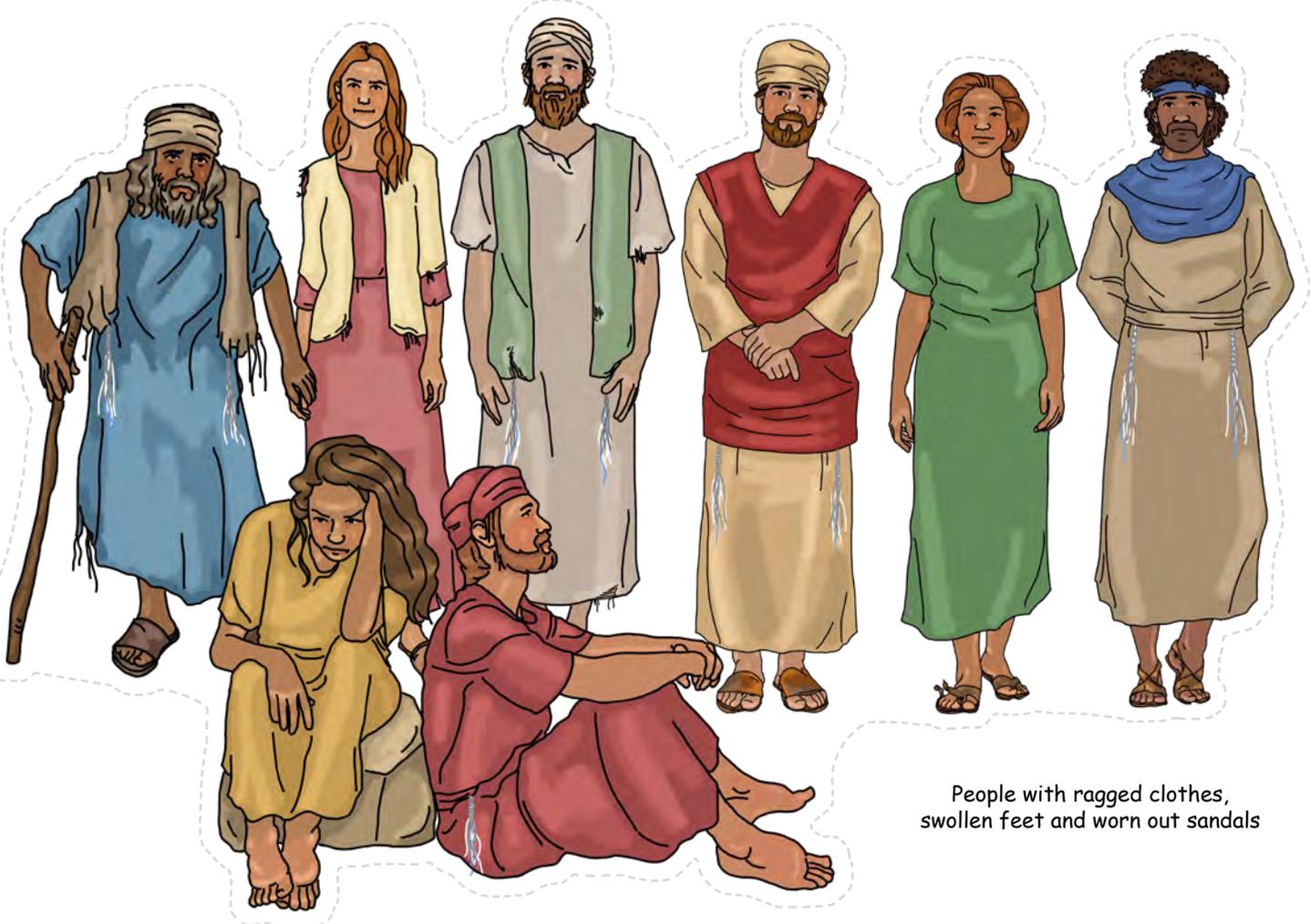
Mosheh also tells them about the food that they will enjoy in their new land. **(Place 7 species on board and point to each one as you read it.)** They will get to eat wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olive oil and honey. Mmm, that all sounds so delicious! We call these foods the 7 species, and even today they are all found in Eretz Yisra'el - the land of Yisra'el. **(Explain to children that olive oil comes from olives and that the honey came from dates.)**

The Yisra'elites are told that they shall bless and thank Yahweh for giving them so many good things and such good food to eat. Yahweh cautions them that when they are eating the good food, living in their lovely houses, spending time with their animals, and when they have lots of silver and gold, they must be careful not to forget about Yahweh. **(Place wealthy scene on board.)** Sometimes when we have lots of good things, we might not pay attention to how much Yahweh is doing for us, and Yahweh wants to make sure that doesn't happen. He wants the Yisra'elites to remember what it was like in Mitsrayim, so that they don't become ungrateful. He also wants them to remember all the things He did for them in the wilderness, like leading them past serpents and scorpions **(place serpent and scorpion on board)**, making water come out of a rock for them to drink **(place water from the rock scene on board)**, and feeding them with manna **(point to manna scene)**. Yahweh wants this younger group of people to remember that He is providing all these things for them. He tells them that they are not so great and powerful on their own, but only because of His help. After all, He is fulfilling His promises that He made to their fathers.

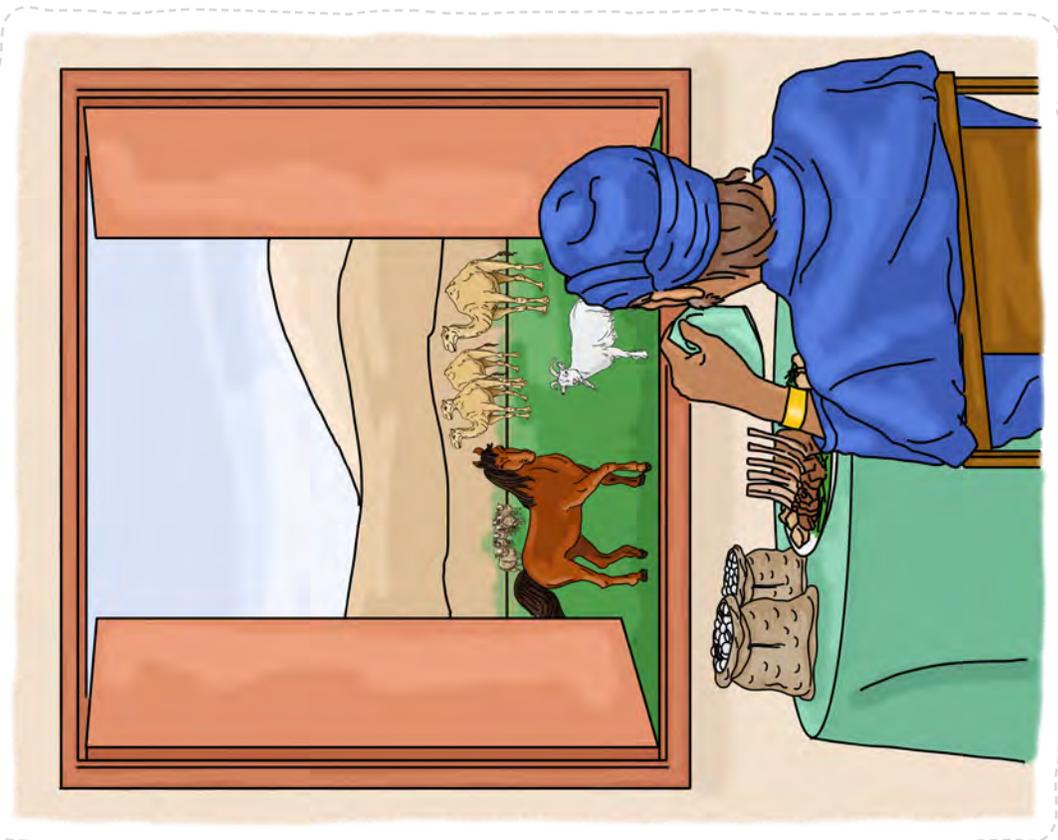
Yahweh also gives them a warning that if they forget about Him and stop serving Him, then bad things would happen instead of good things. Do you think they will remember to love and serve Yahweh when they go into the land? I sure hope so! They still have some more instructions to listen to first, but we will save that for another time.

Well children, we have come to the end of our story for today. We will see you next week for another exciting Little Gems story!





People with ragged clothes, swollen feet and worn out sandals

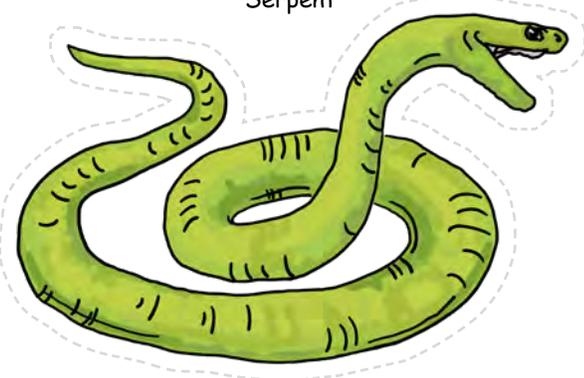


Wealthy scene

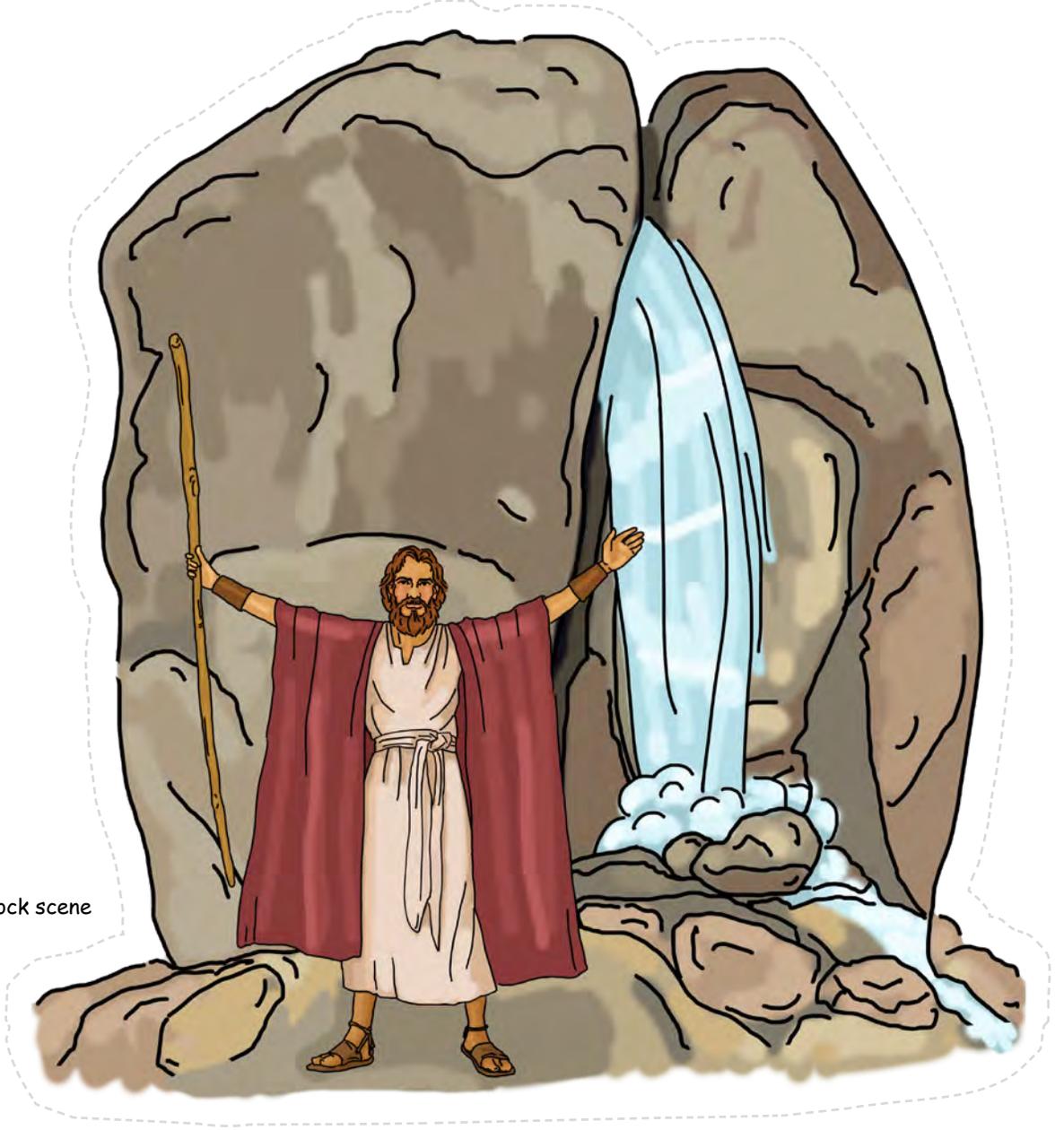
7 Species

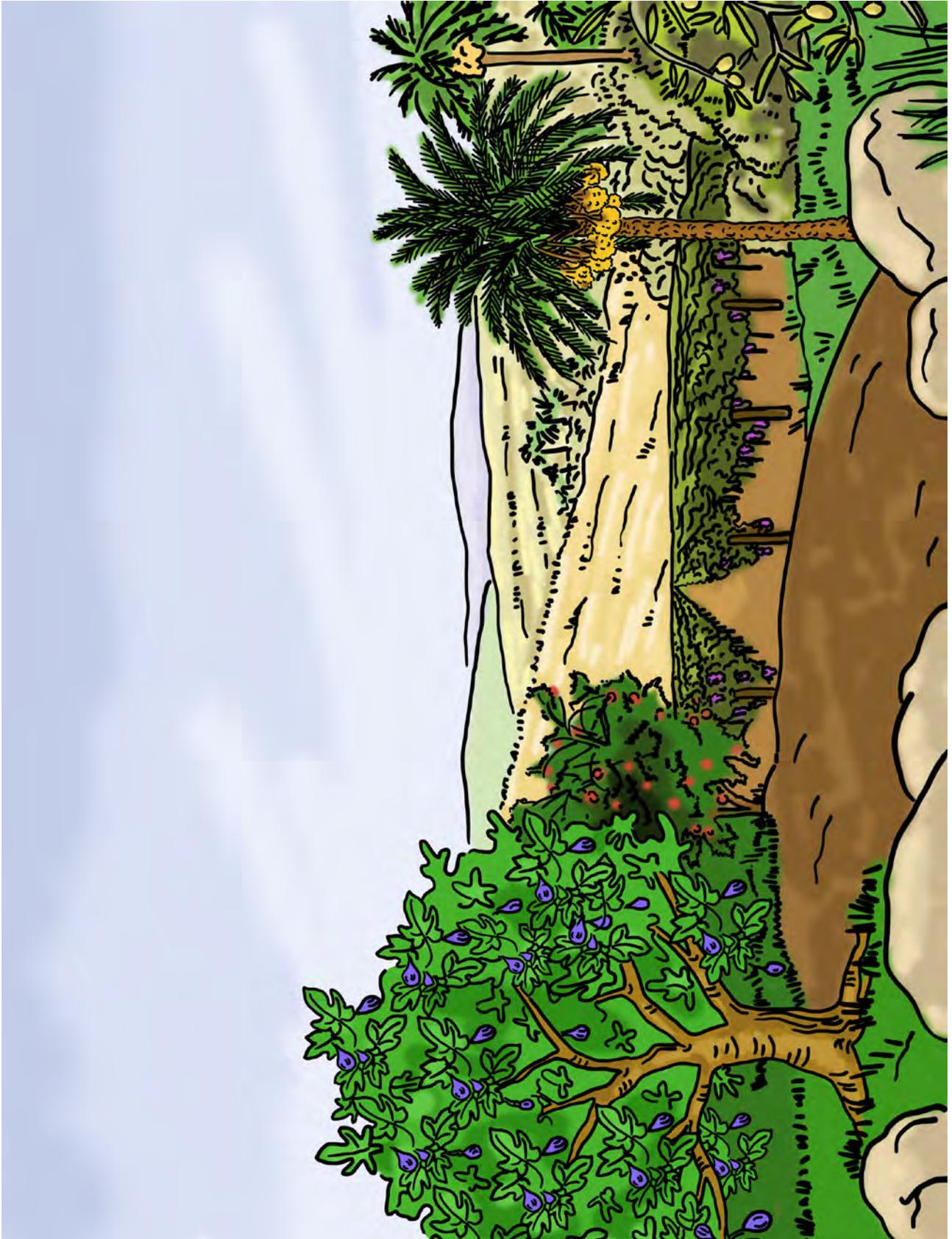


Serpent



Water from the rock scene







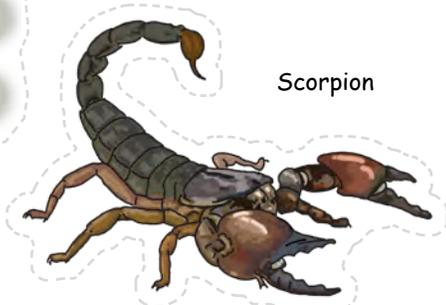
Older Mosheh



Yisra'elites



Manna scene



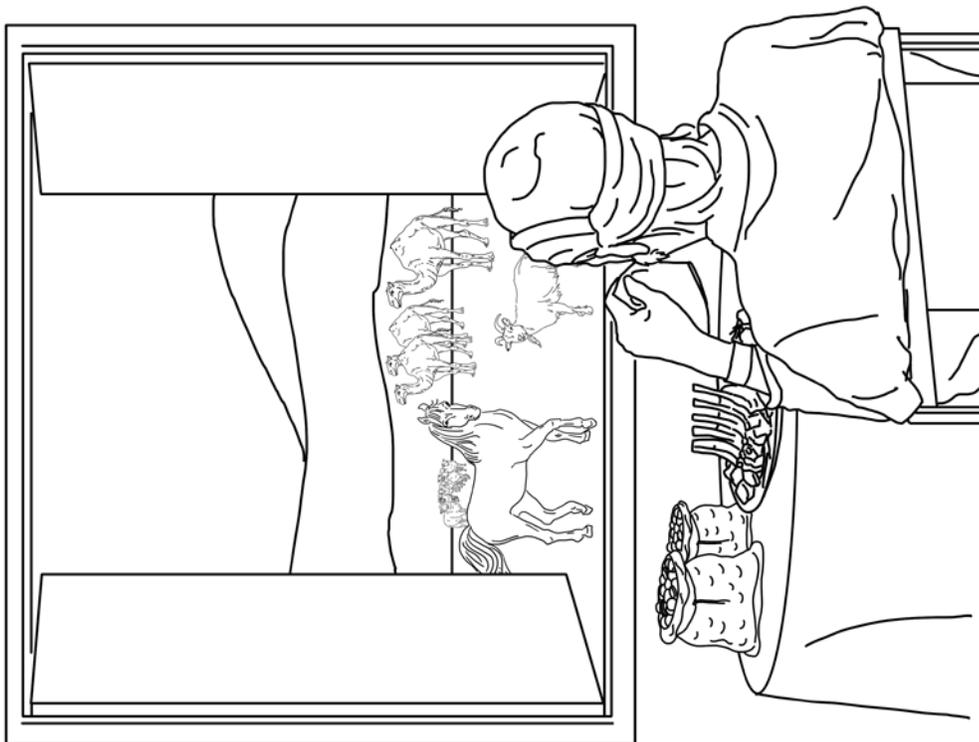
Scorpion

Map of Yisra'el



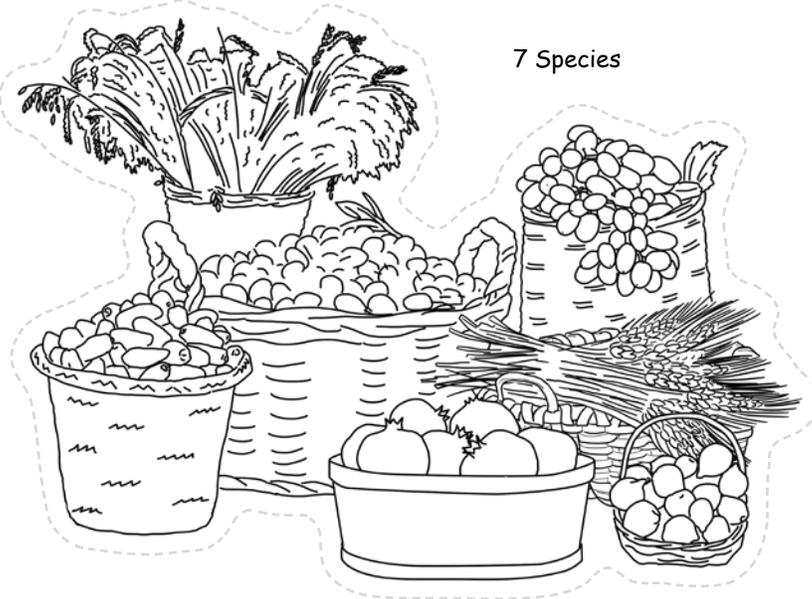


People with ragged clothes,
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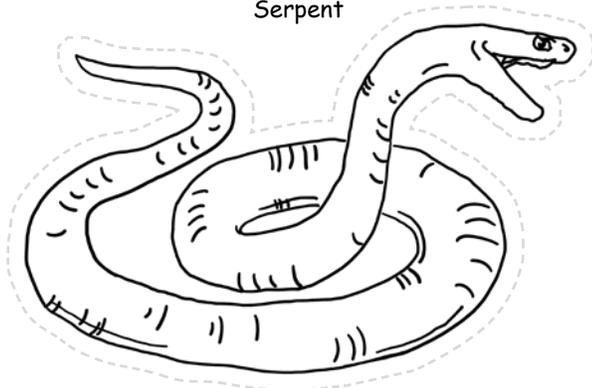


Wealthy scene

7 Species



Serpent



Water from the rock scene







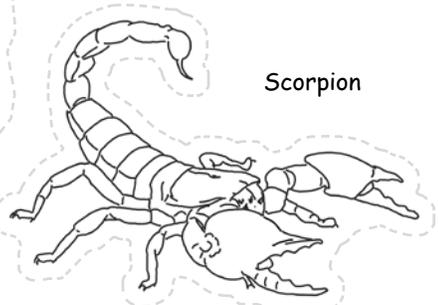
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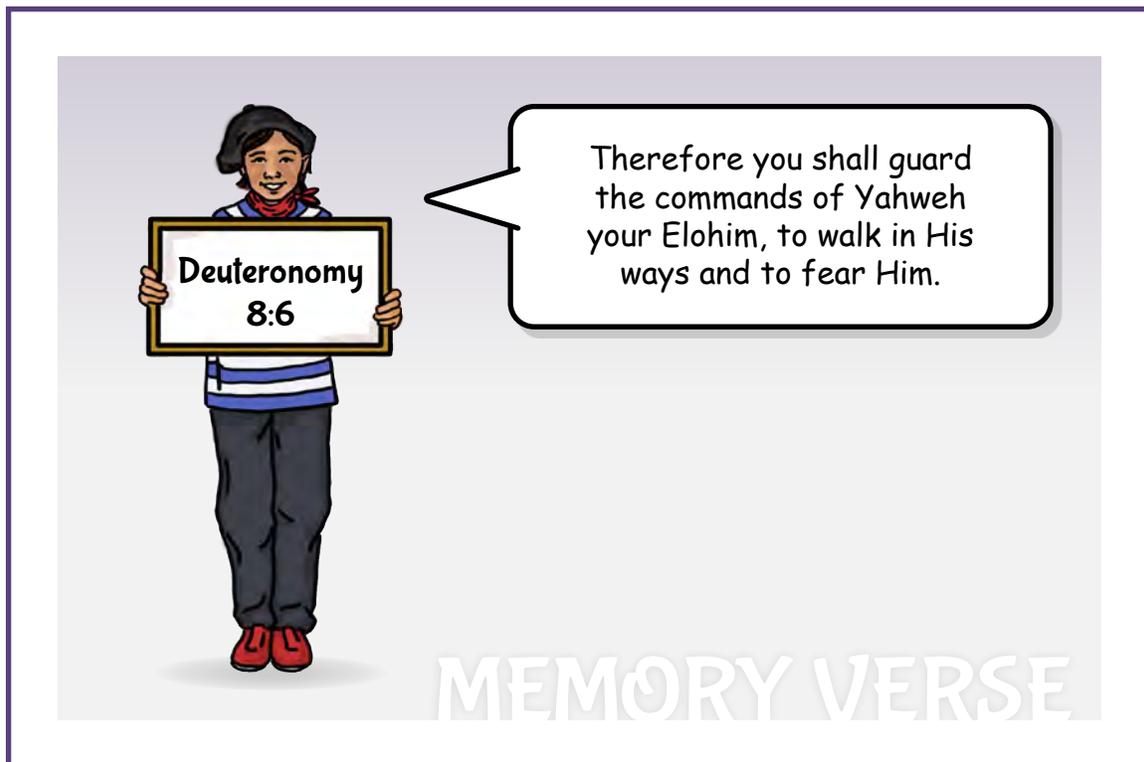


Counting What You Gained

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 Aleph memory verse for this Torah portion is Deuteronomy 8:6. If they have not already done so, begin to help them to memorize the verse. Be creative and try acting it out, or putting it to music.



SEEKING TREASURE

Circle the correct choices.

1. How many years did Yahweh say they wandered in the wilderness? (8:2)



2. What food did Yahweh feed them for 40 years? (8:3)



3. What did Yahweh say did not wear out on them? (8:4)



4. Which land did Yahweh say He was giving His people? (8:7)



Garden of Eden



Mitsrayim

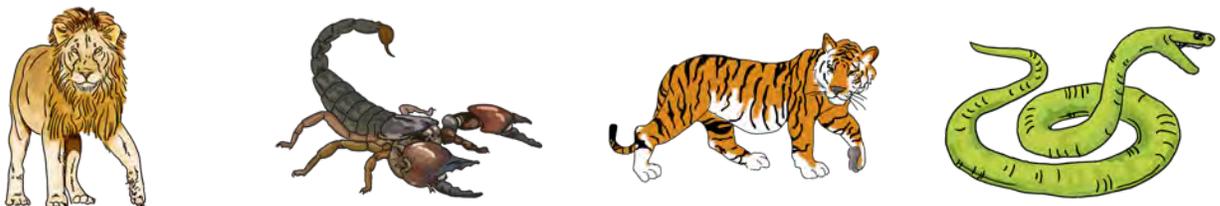


Land of Goshen



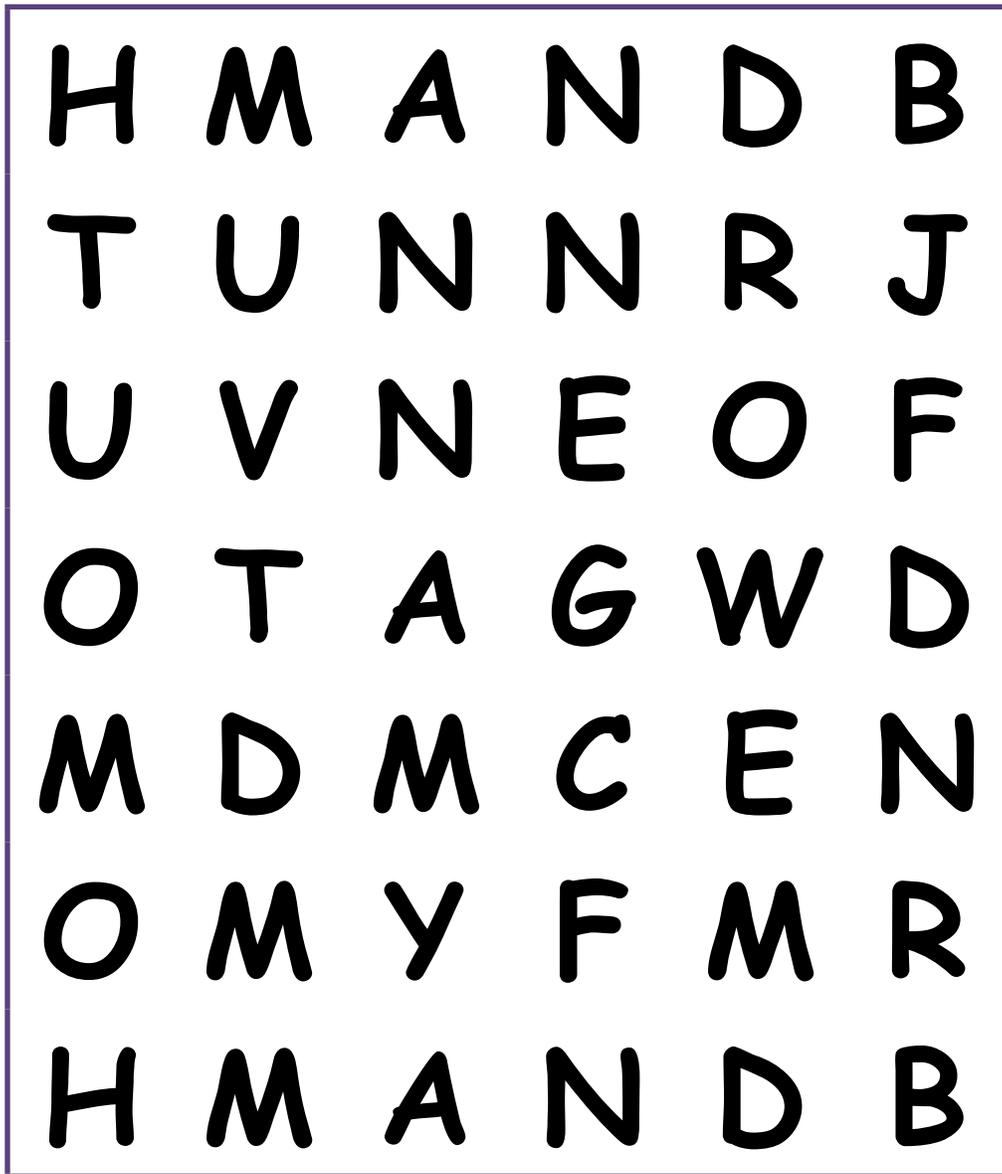
Land of Kena'an

5. What type of animals did Yahweh say they faced in the wilderness? (8:15)



WORD SEARCH

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



HUNGER

FED

MANNA

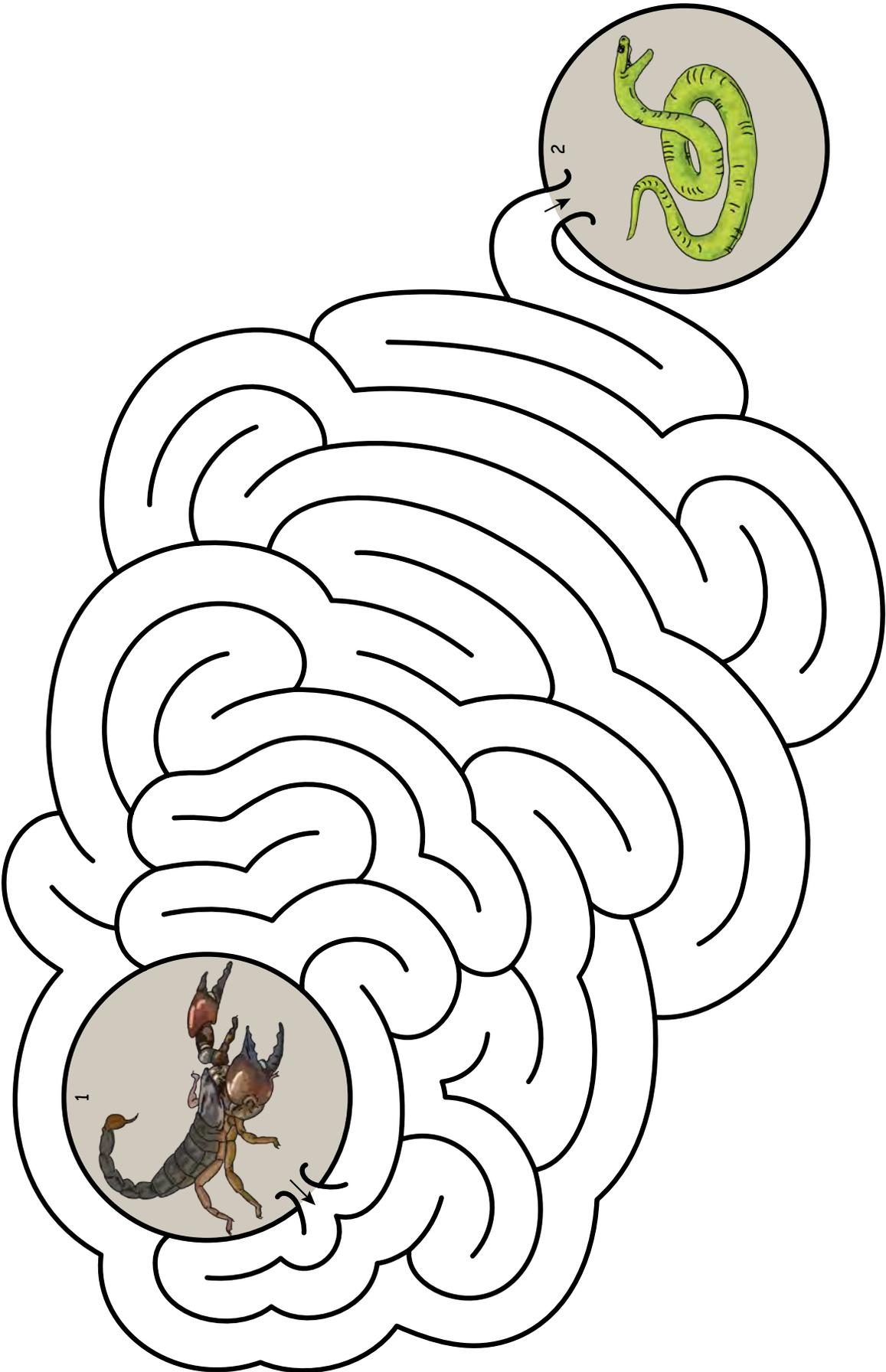
BREAD

WORD

MOUTH



MAZE



Precious Possessions

CRAFT

Materials:

- Cardstock - white
- Items of choice to embellish the 7 Species - sequins, beads, barley & wheat kernels, glitter glue, puffy paint
- Tweezers (to assist in placing decorative items)
- Double-sided adhesive foam dimensionals
- Glue
- Scissors
- Coloring pencils, crayons, or markers
- Craft Templates: Main Page & A (BW) or Main Page & B (color)

Parent/Teacher Preparation:

- Print Craft Templates of choice on white cardstock.

Instructions for the Craft:

- If using BW Templates, color using medium of choice.
- Cut out all Craft Templates. (P1)
- The 7 Species can simply be glued directly to the Main Page as desired or you can dimensionalize them and embellish them before placing on the Main Page.

Embellishing the 7 Species

Adhere double-sided adhesive foam dimensionals to the back of the 7 Species and leave the paper backing on the other side so that you can embellish the front, as indicated below. (P2)

Barley

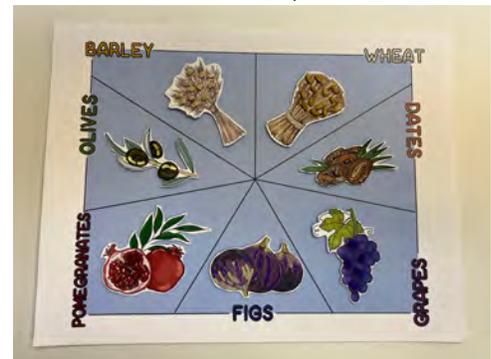
- Place drops of glue on the stalks and place kernels over them. (P3a, P3b)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the barley on the Main Page in the barley area. (P4)

Wheat

- Place drops of glue on the stalks and place kernels over them. (P5a, P5b)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the wheat on the Main Page in the wheat area. (P6)

7 Species

Deuteronomy 8:8



P1



P2



P3a



P3b



P4



P5a



P5b



P6

Instructions for the Craft Cont'd:

Olives

- Place drops of green glitter glue onto the olives. (P7a, P7b)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the olives on the Main Page in the olives area. (P8)



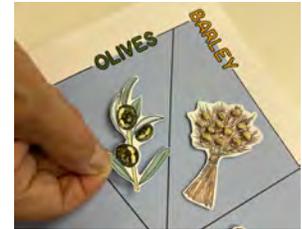
P7a



P7b

Dates

- Place drops of brown puffy paint onto the dates. (P9a, P9b)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the dates on the Main Page in the dates area. (P10)



P8

Pomegranates

- Place drops of glue onto the pomegranates and place red tiny sequins over them. (P11a, P11b)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the pomegranates on the Main Page in the pomegranate area. (P12)



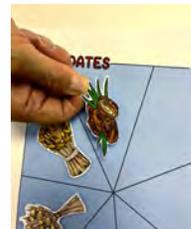
P9a



P9b

Figs

- Place drops of purple puffy paint onto the figs. (P13)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the figs on the Main Page in the fig area. (P14)



P10



P11a



P11b

Grapes

- Place drops of glue onto the grapes and place purple pompoms over them. (P15a, P15b)
- Remove the paper backing on the foam dimensional and place the grapes on the Main Page in the grape area. (P16)



P12



P13



P14

You now have a visual representation of the 7 Species that were growing abundantly in the land of Kena'an.



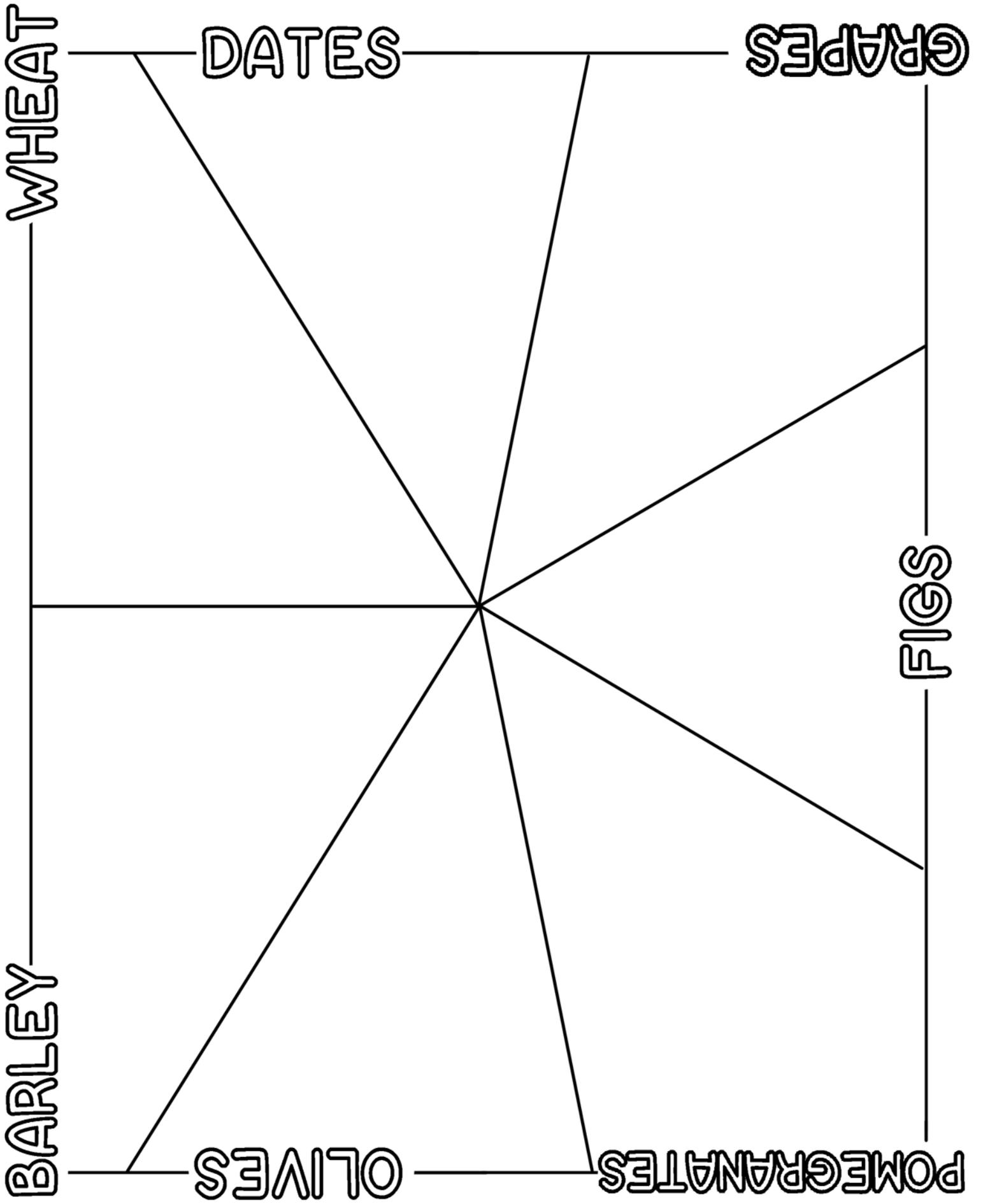
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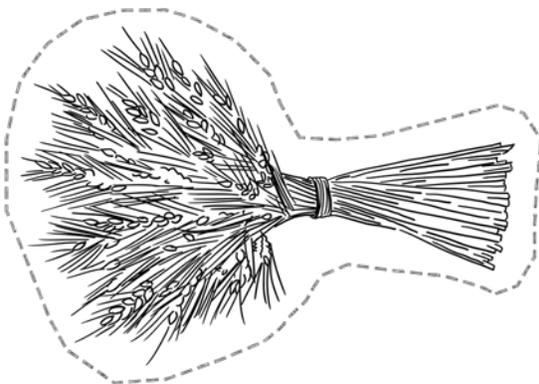
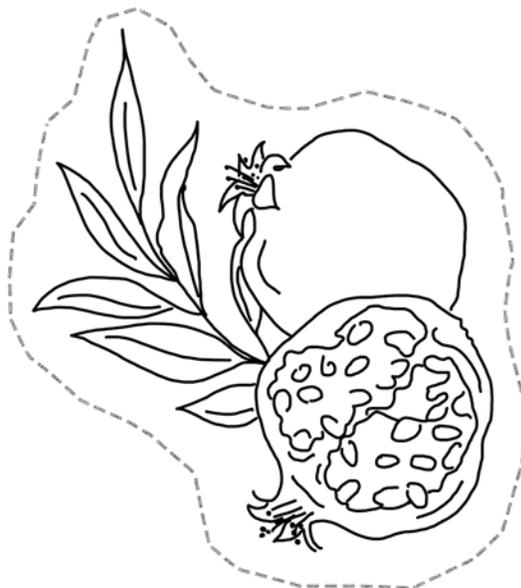
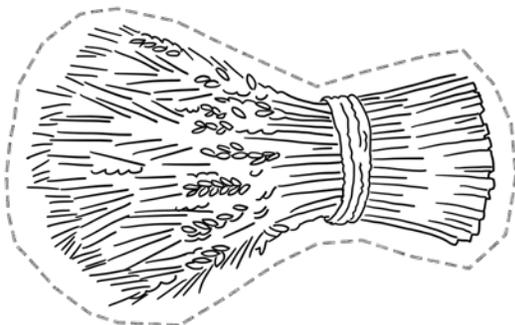
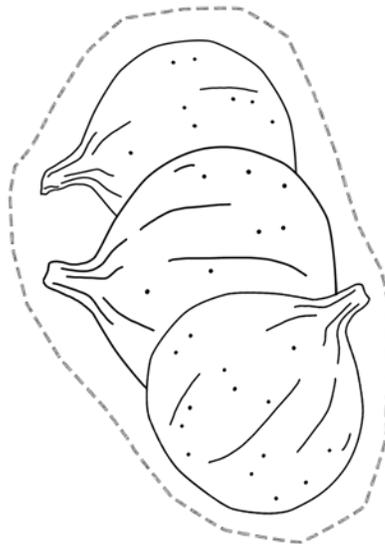
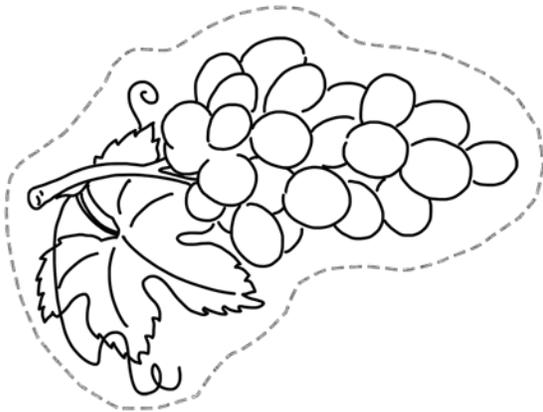
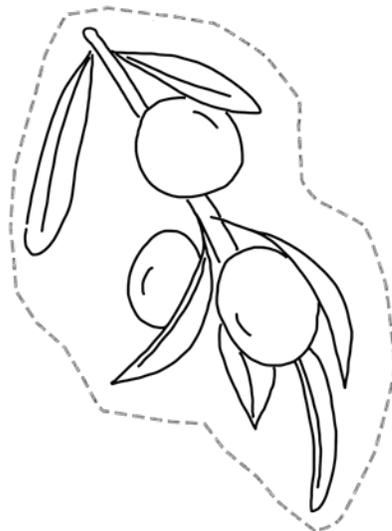
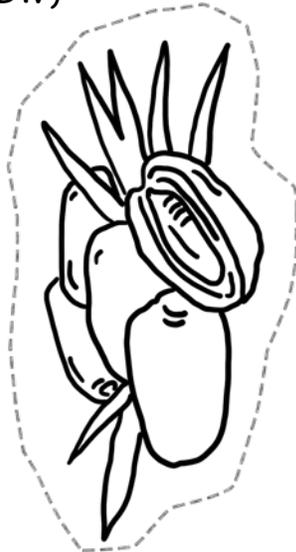
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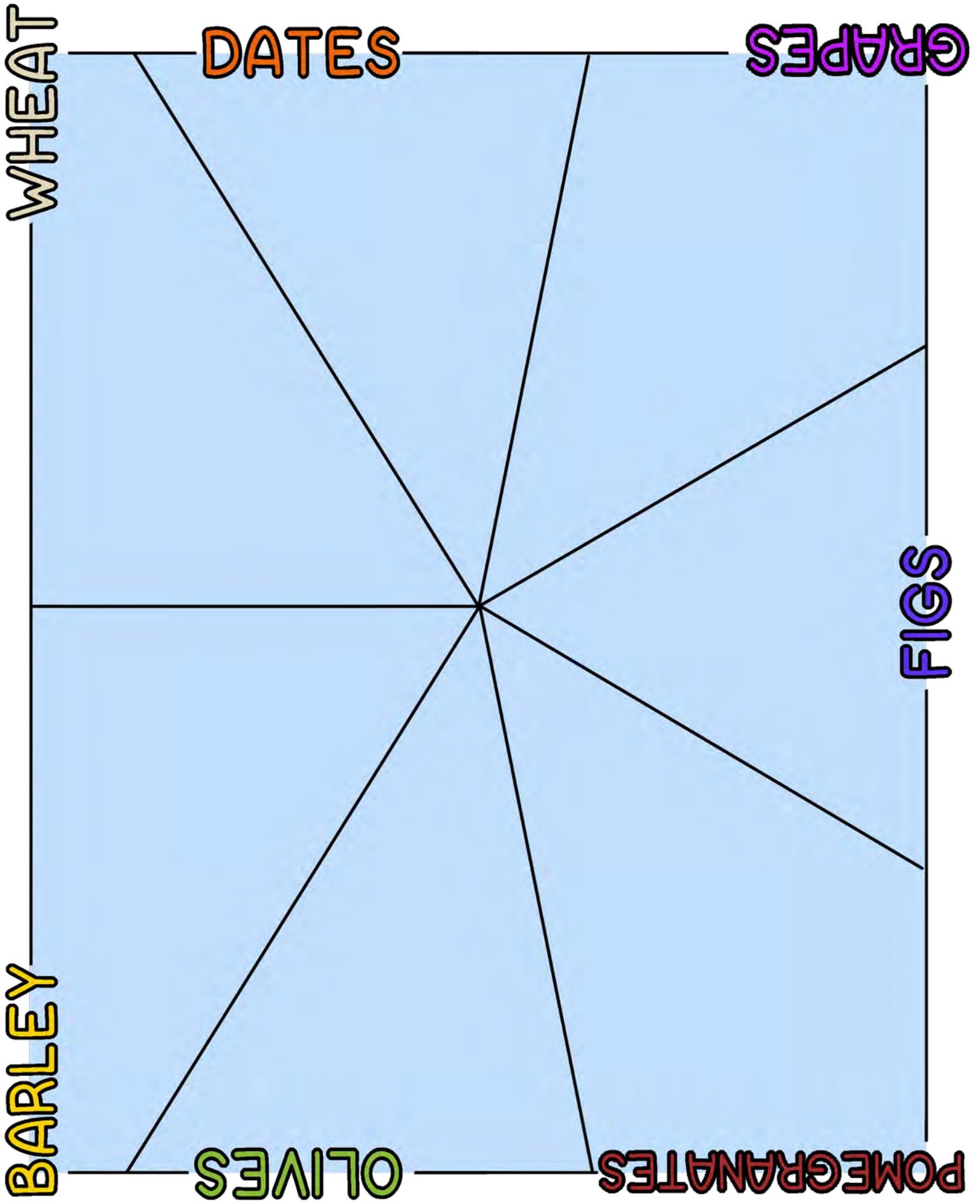


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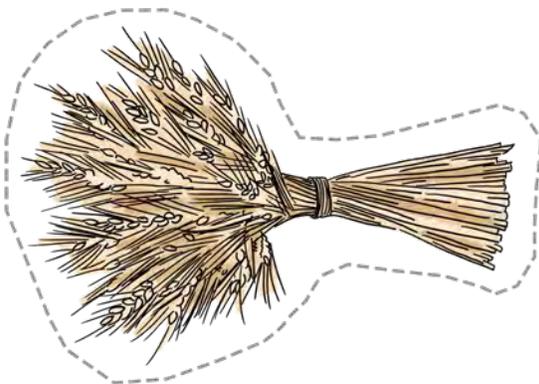
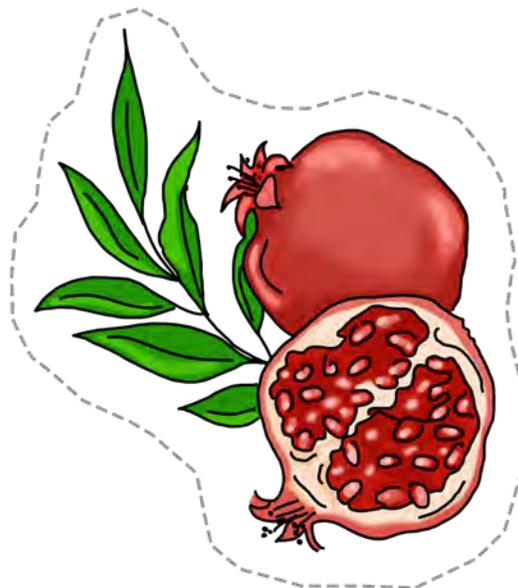
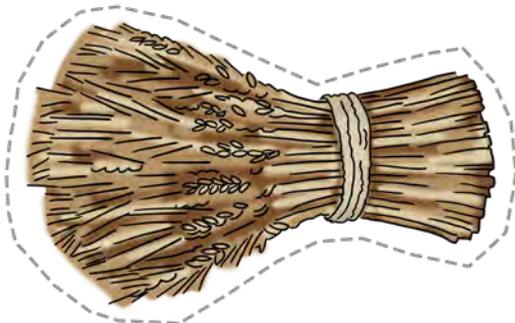
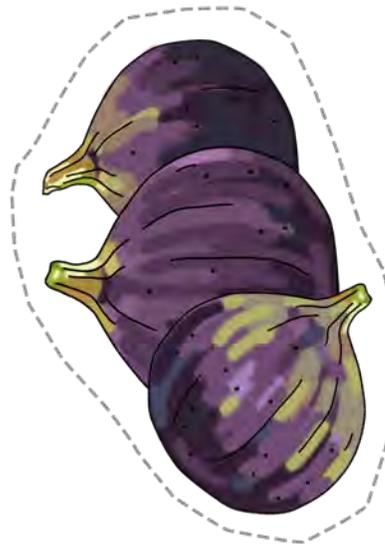
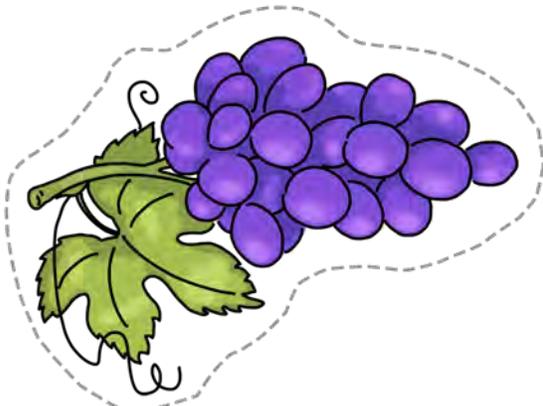
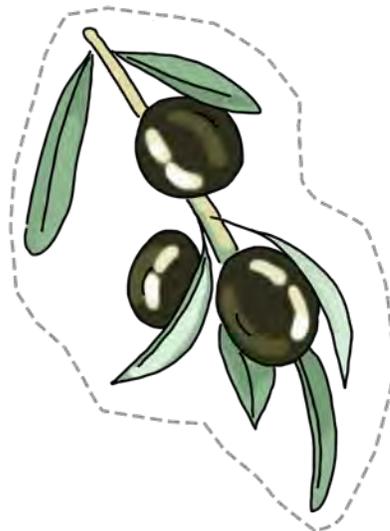


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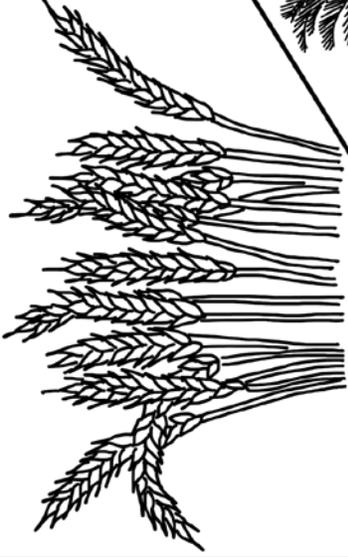




Craft Template B (color)



WHEAT



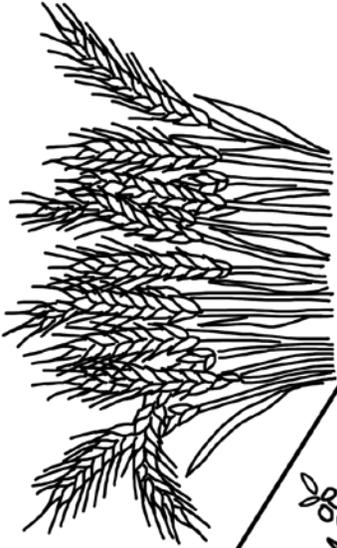
DATES



GRAPES



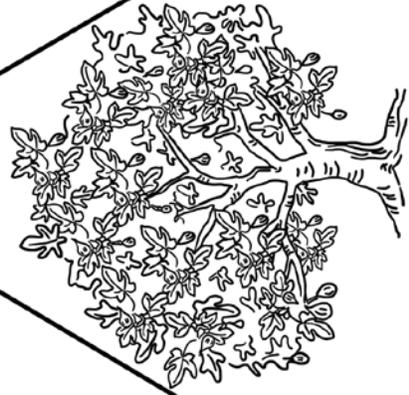
BARLEY



OLIVES



FIGS



POMEGRANATES



Sweetness of Torah

SWEET SOUNDS OF TORAH

(Sing Praises to His Name)

Here is the link for this song:

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Sing to tune of "Do you Know the Muffin Man?"

There are Seven Species in Eretz Yisra'el (land of Yisra'el)

There are seven species in Yisra'el, in Yisra'el

There are seven species in Eretz Yisra'el

Pomegranates, figs, and dates

Barley, wheat, olives, grapes

The seven species taste so great

They grow in Yisra'el

There are seven species in Yisra'el, in Yisra'el

There are seven species in Eretz Yisra'el



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Sing to tune of "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious"

The Seven Species (Sheva Minim)

Wheat, grapes, barley, olives, dates, figs and pomegranates

Yummy grains and fruits that grow, they all taste so fantastic

There are seven species that grow in Yisra'el

Wheat, grapes, barley, olives, dates, figs and pomegranates

Yum diddle, diddle, diddle, yum diddle di

Yum diddle, diddle, diddle, yum diddle di

Wheat, grapes, barley, olives, dates, figs and pomegranates

Yummy grains and fruits that grow, they all taste so fantastic

There are seven species that grow in Yisra'el

Wheat, grapes, barley, olives, dates, figs and pomegranates!

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.

7 Species Muffins

Deuteronomy 8:8



Ingredients:

- $\frac{3}{4}$ c. golden raisins
- $\frac{1}{2}$ c. dried figs
- $\frac{1}{2}$ c. dates
- $1\frac{1}{4}$ c. unsweetened almond milk
- $\frac{1}{4}$ c. applesauce
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. allspice
- 2 eggs
- $\frac{1}{3}$ c. light olive oil
- $\frac{1}{2}$ c. sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ c. brown sugar
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. vanilla extract
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. all-purpose flour ($\frac{3}{4}$ c. all-purpose + $\frac{3}{4}$ c. whole wheat flour will work too)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ c. barley flour
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. baking soda
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt
- $\frac{3}{4}$ c. pomegranate seeds
- $\frac{1}{2}$ c. chopped walnuts

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 400°. Chop dates and figs. Set aside. Use a blender or food processor to blend together the following ingredients until very smooth: dates, figs, almond milk, applesauce, cinnamon and allspice. It may take a couple of minutes to blend all ingredients to a smooth consistency, depending on the power of your blender. The end result should be similar to the texture of apple butter or smooth fruit preserves. Set mixture aside.

In a medium mixing bowl, whisk together eggs, light olive oil, sugar, brown sugar, and vanilla extract.

In a large mixing bowl, sift together flour, barley flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt.

Gently mix the pomegranate seeds into the dry mixture, making sure the seeds are well coated with flour.

Make a well in the middle of the dry ingredients. Pour the fruit mixture from the blender into the well.

Add the egg mixture to the well.

Fold the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients until the dry ingredients are just moistened and a lumpy batter forms. Do NOT overmix - if you do your muffins will turn out heavy and dense

Fold raisins and chopped walnuts into the muffin batter with a light-handed stir.

Prep your muffin pan by spraying a small amount of nonstick cooking spray into the bottom of each muffin tin (NOT the sides), or use paper muffin cup liners. Divide batter equally into muffin cups, filling each cup to the top and mounding the surface slightly. It's easiest to do this using an ice cream scoop.

Place muffins in the oven and immediately turn heat down to 375°. That extra heat blast at the beginning of the baking cycle will help to activate the baking powder and baking soda. Bake for 25-27 minutes until the tops of the muffins are golden brown and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Let muffins cool for 10 minutes before removing from the tin and cooling on a rack. Do NOT let the muffins cool completely in the tin. They are quite moist and may stick to the tin if you leave them there too long.

You can also serve the 7 Species (sheva minim) for a taste test.

Next Week's Treasure Hunt

Next Week's Torah Portion



Suggested Reading Schedule

Monday:	Deut. 11:26-12:32	Blessings for obedience and curses for disobedience; Commands to destroy all pagan places of worship and to worship Yahweh at the place which He chooses
Tuesday:	Deut. 13	Prohibitions against following after those who entice you to serve other mighty ones, and the death sentence for any who do so
Wednesday:	Deut. 14	Reminder about which animals are clean and unclean; Instruction regarding tithes
Thursday:	Deut. 15	Instructions for the seventh-year release of all debt among Yisrae'lites, for taking care of the poor, and for the release of Yisra'elite slaves
Friday:	Deut. 16:1-17	Instructions for observing The 3 Pilgrimage Feasts