

Vayeishev

"He settled"

Genesis 37:1 - 40:23

Katan Bet/Gadol



In This Edition:

9.2 - Yoseph The Jailbird

Genesis 39 & 40



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Pearl Seeking

TREASURING HIS WORD

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

Monday:	Gen. 37:1-11	Yoseph the Dreamer
Tuesday:	Gen. 37:12-36	Yoseph's brothers sell him into slavery
Wednesday:	Gen. 38	Yehudah and Tamar
Thursday:	Gen. 39	The story of Yoseph and Potiphar and his wife
Friday:	Gen. 40	Yoseph the Interpreter and the 2 prisoners

In parsha Vayetze 9.1 we covered the story of Yoseph and the 2 dreams that he had, which made his brothers jealous enough to finally sell him into slavery. Today we are going to look at Yoseph's life in the house of Potiphar, how he ended up in prison, and how he got the opportunity to interpret the dreams of 2 influential men. Let's read Gen. 39 & 40.

PARSHA POINTS

- Yoseph was taken to Mitsrayim by Yishma'elite slave traders and bought by Potiphar the Mitsrite, captain of Pharaoh's palace guard - 39:1
- Yahweh was with Yoseph and caused him to succeed in all that he did - 39:2
- His master Potiphar saw that everything he placed in Yoseph's hand prospered, and recognized that Yahweh was with Yoseph - 39:3
- Because of this, Potiphar appointed Yoseph over all his house, where Yoseph continued to make Potiphar prosper - both in the home and in the field - 39:4
- Potiphar was so impressed that he left everything to Yoseph's care - 39:6
- Yoseph was a handsome man, and Potiphar's wife took great interest in him - 39:6-7
- She pressured Yoseph to agree with her decision to be unfaithful to her husband - 39:7
- Yoseph resisted her, pointing out that his master entrusted him to be honest and faithful in all he did, and that her plan would be not only evil to his master, but would cause him to sin against Elohim - 39:8-9
- Potiphar's wife would not give up; every day she persisted in pleading with him and tempting him, but he would not listen to her - 39:10
- One day, when she was alone with Yoseph in the house, Potiphar's wife tried yet again to convince him to change his mind. But when Yoseph again resisted her words, she became very angry and grabbed his outer garment as he fled, leaving her standing alone with his garment in her hand - 39:11-13



- Because she couldn't get what she wanted, Potiphar's wife lied by telling everyone in the household that Yoseph had made advances toward her - 39:14-15
- She held onto Yoseph's garment until her husband came home, so she could exhibit it as material evidence of Yoseph's guilt - 39:16
- She complained to her husband that Yoseph had approached her, and that she was the innocent party in all this - 39:17-18
- When Potiphar heard his wife's accusation against Yoseph, he became quite angry, and put Yoseph in the prison where Pharaoh's prisoners were locked up - 39:19-20
- Even in that dismal prison Yahweh was with Yoseph, just as He had been with him in Potiphar's house, and gave him favor in the eyes of the warden - 39:21
- The warden gave Yoseph authority to run and manage the prison, just as Potiphar had done - 39:22
- The prison warden trusted Yoseph completely in all his responsibilities, and because of Yahweh's kindness, everything Yoseph had charge over prospered under his hand - 39:23
- During Yoseph's prison time, the palace cupbearer (**mashkeh**) and Pharaoh's baker (**ofeh**) were thrown together into the same prison - 40:1
- They were placed there because the sovereign was angry with them - 40:2
- The cupbearer and the baker were there for some time, and Yoseph was placed in charge of caring for them - 40:3-4
- One night, each of the men dreamed a dream (**chalom**), and the next morning Yoseph noticed how sad they were - 40:5-6
- Yoseph asked them why they were so sad; and they replied that they had each dreamed a dream, but there was no one to interpret their dreams for them - 40:7-8
- Yoseph reminded them that interpretations belong to Elohim, and asked them to relate their dreams to him - 40:8
- The cupbearer told Yoseph (40:9-11):
 - In my dream there was a vine (**gefen**) with 3 (**shalosh**) branches that shot forth buds
 - Its clusters brought forth grapes (**anavim**)
 - I took those ripe grapes and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup (**kos**)
 - Then I put the cup in Pharaoh's hand
- Yoseph then related the dream's interpretation (40:12-13):
 - The 3 branches represent 3 days
 - In 3 days, Pharaoh is going to restore you back to your position
- Yoseph took this opportunity to request that the cupbearer remember him when he was brought back to the king's palace, so that he might also be released from prison - 40:14



- Yoseph explained to him that he had been stolen from his homeland and that he was innocent of the accusation that had landed him in prison - 40:15
- Upon hearing the favorable interpretation of the cupbearer's dream, the baker then described to Yoseph his dream as well - 40:16
- The baker told Yoseph (40:16-17):
 - 3 baskets were on my head
 - All kinds of baked goods were in the basket (**sal**) for Pharaoh
 - Birds (**oph**) ate them out of the basket on my head
- Yoseph then related the dream's interpretation (40:18-19):
 - The 3 baskets are 3 days
 - In 3 days Pharaoh will lift your head off you and hang you on a tree
 - Birds will then eat your flesh from you
- The 3rd day arrived, and because it was Pharaoh's birthday, he made a feast for all his servants - 40:20
- He restored the chief cupbearer to his post, and he placed the cup in Pharaoh's hand once again - just as Yoseph told him he would - 40:21
- Pharaoh hung the chief baker, just as Yoseph told him would happen - 40:22
- However, the cupbearer did not remember Yoseph, but forgot him - 40:23



DIGGING DEEPER

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

- In Chapter 39:1 we are told that Potiphar was a Mitsrite (Egyptian). Research the rulership that existed in Mitsrayim during this time. Was Pharaoh an Egyptian, or was he a Hyksos (Shepherd Kings) - a Semite ruler from Shem who controlled Mitsrayim?
- Notice that although Yoseph was in a foreign land it says that Yahweh was with him and took care of him. We see that Yoseph was elevated in Potiphar's house as well as in the prison. Discuss how you may end up in a bad situation, but that doesn't mean that Yahweh has turned His back on you.
- The fact that Yoseph chose to have integrity rather than allow himself to be lured by Potiphar's wife speaks loudly of his commitment to do the right thing. Discuss what you would do if you were found in a situation where someone pressures you to do something which is wrong and would cause you to sin.
- Although Yoseph had been in Mitsrayim for quite a long time, he declared to the baker and cupbearer that interpretation of dreams come from Elohim. If you were going through a similar situation, do you think your faith would be strengthened or diminished?
- How do you think Yoseph felt when time had passed, and he realized the cupbearer had forgotten about him?

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.

Mashkeh (**משקה**) - cupbearer

Ofeh (**אפה**) - baker

Chalom (**חלום**) - dream

Gefen (**גפן**) - vine

Anavim (**ענבים**) - grapes

Kos (**כוס**) - cup

Sal (**סל**) - basket

Oph (**עוף**) - birds

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.

3 - shalosh

WORD MATCH

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

Anavim

Baker

Chalom

Basket

Gefen

Birds

Kos

Cup

Mashkeh

Cupbearer

Ofeh

Dream

Oph

Grapes

Sal

Vine



FLASHCARDS

אפה

Ofeh

O-feh

baker

גפן

Gefen

Ge-fen

vine

משקה

Mashkeh

Mash-keh

cupbearer

חלום

Chalom

Cha-lom

dream

כוס

Kos

Kos

cup

עוף

Oph

Oph

birds

ענבים

Anavim

An-a-vim

grapes

סל

Sal

Sal

basket



WRITING HEBREW

Ofeh (baker)

אפה
Hey Fey Aleph
ה פ א

Gefen (vine)

גפן
Nun Soft Fey Gimel
ן פ ג

Mashkeh (cupbearer)

משקה
Hey Qof Shin Mem
ה ק ש מ

Chalom (dream)

חלום
Mem Soft Lamed Chet
ם ל ח



Kos (cup)

כוס

Samech Vav Kaf
כ ו ס

Oph (birds)

עוף

Fey Sofit Vav Ayin
ע ו ף

Anavim (grapes)

ענבים

Mem Sofit Yod Vet Nun Ayin
ם י ב נ ע

Sal (basket)

סל

Lamed Samech
ל ס

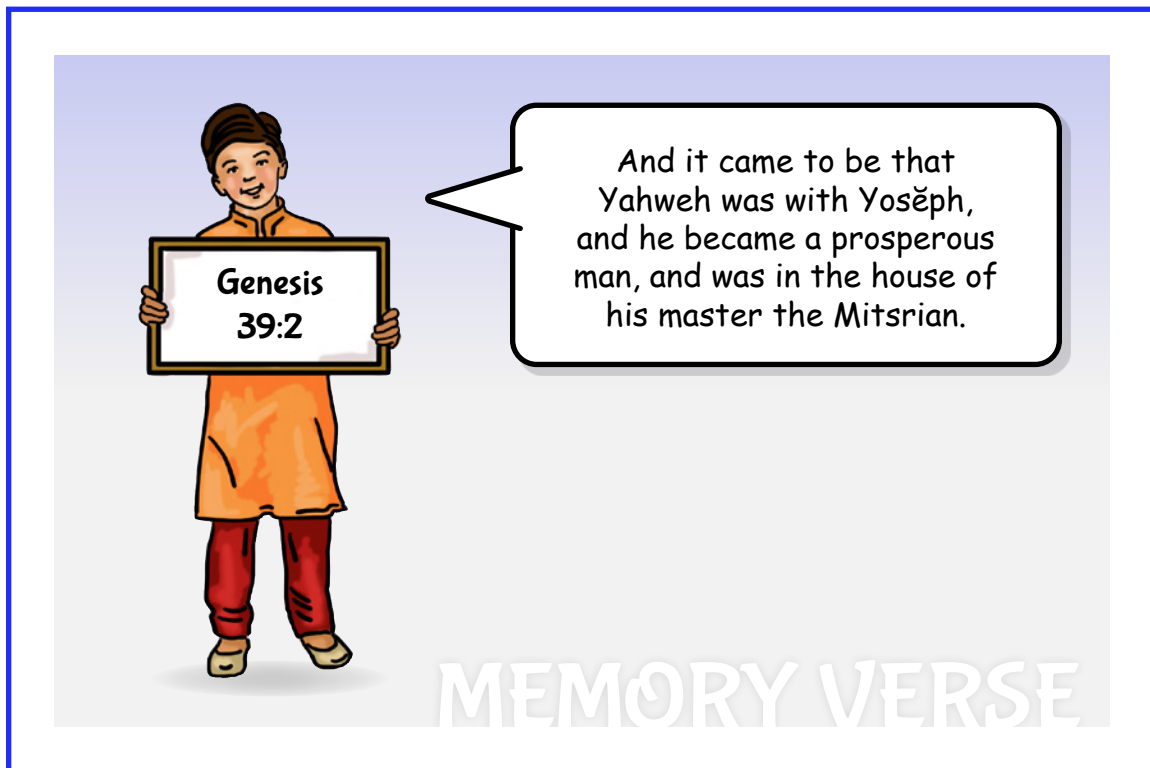


Counting What You Gained

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 *Genesis 39:2*. You can review the verse with them by reciting it out loud, acting it out, putting it to music...whatever works for you.



Genesis
39:2

And it came to be that
Yahweh was with Yosēph,
and he became a prosperous
man, and was in the house of
his master the Mitsrian.

MEMORY VERSE

SEEKING TREASURE

1.



What was Potiphar's position?

Circle the correct choice.

- baker cupbearer
captain of the guard shepherd

(39:1)

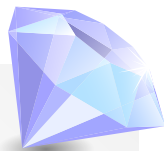
2.



And it came to be that Yahweh was
with _____ and he became a
_____ man and was in the house of
his _____ the _____.

(39:2)

3.



How many times does Chapter 39 say
that Yahweh was with Yoseph?

Circle the correct choice.

- 1 2 3 4 5

(39:2,3, 21, 23)

4.

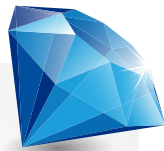


Yoseph was described as handsome
in form and appearance.

T / F

(39:6)

5.



The cupbearer and the baker
sinned against their master, the
captain of the guard, Potiphar.

T / F

(40:1)

6.



The cupbearer and the baker had
a similar number in their dreams.

What was that number?

- 1 3 5 6

(40:10, 16)

7.



What items were in the cupbearer and the baker's dreams?

Circle the correct choices

- vine
- olives
- bricks
- pitcher
- grapes
- water
- cup
- baskets
- pots
- oven
- branches
- baked goods
- birds

(40:9-17)

8.



What color were the baskets on the baker's head?

(40:16)

9.



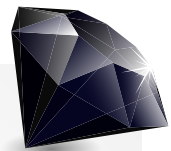
Pharaoh was celebrating this event.

Circle the correct choice.

- anniversary
- birthday
- graduation

(40:20)

10.



The chief baker did remember Yoseph and told Pharaoh about his dream.

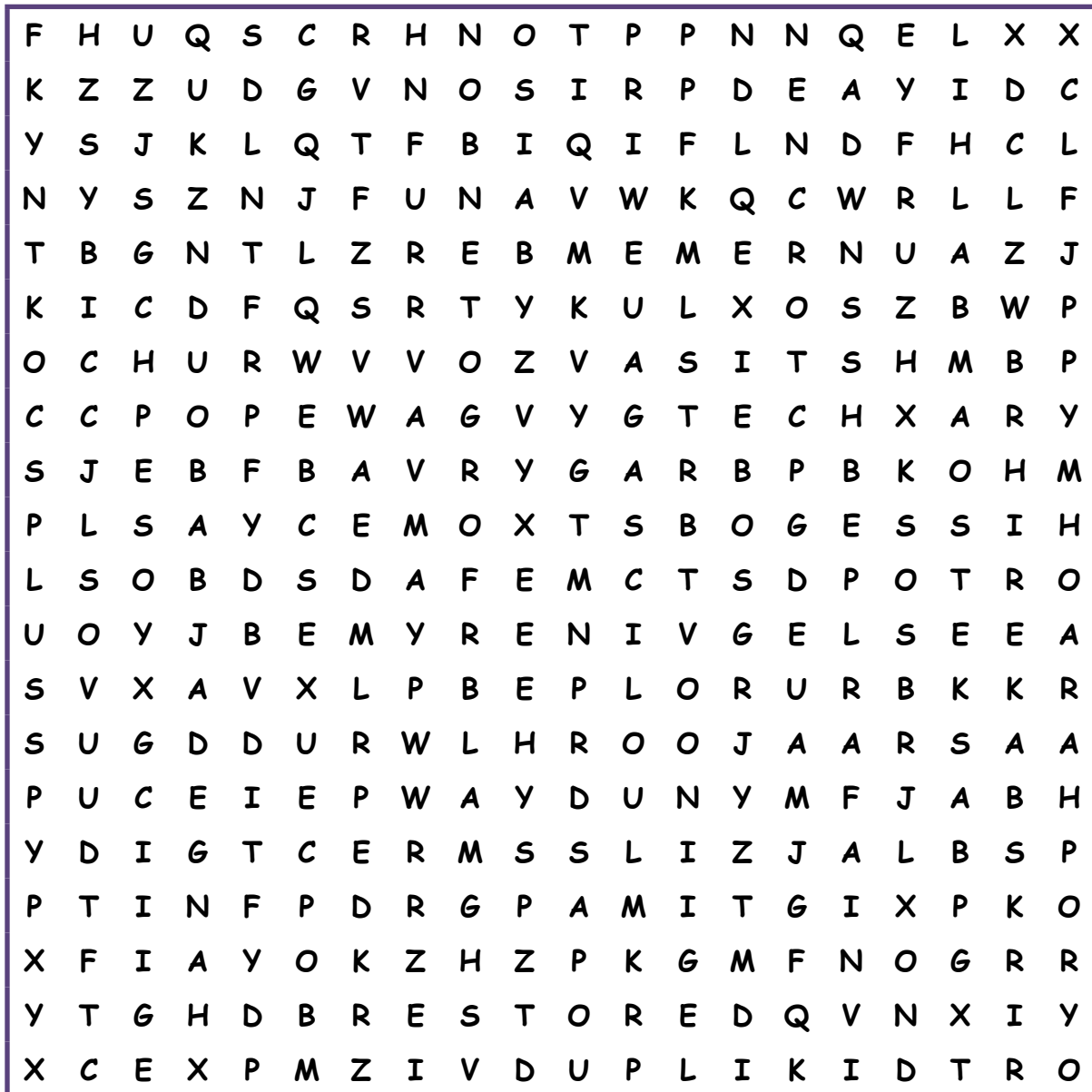
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(40:23)



WORD SEARCH

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



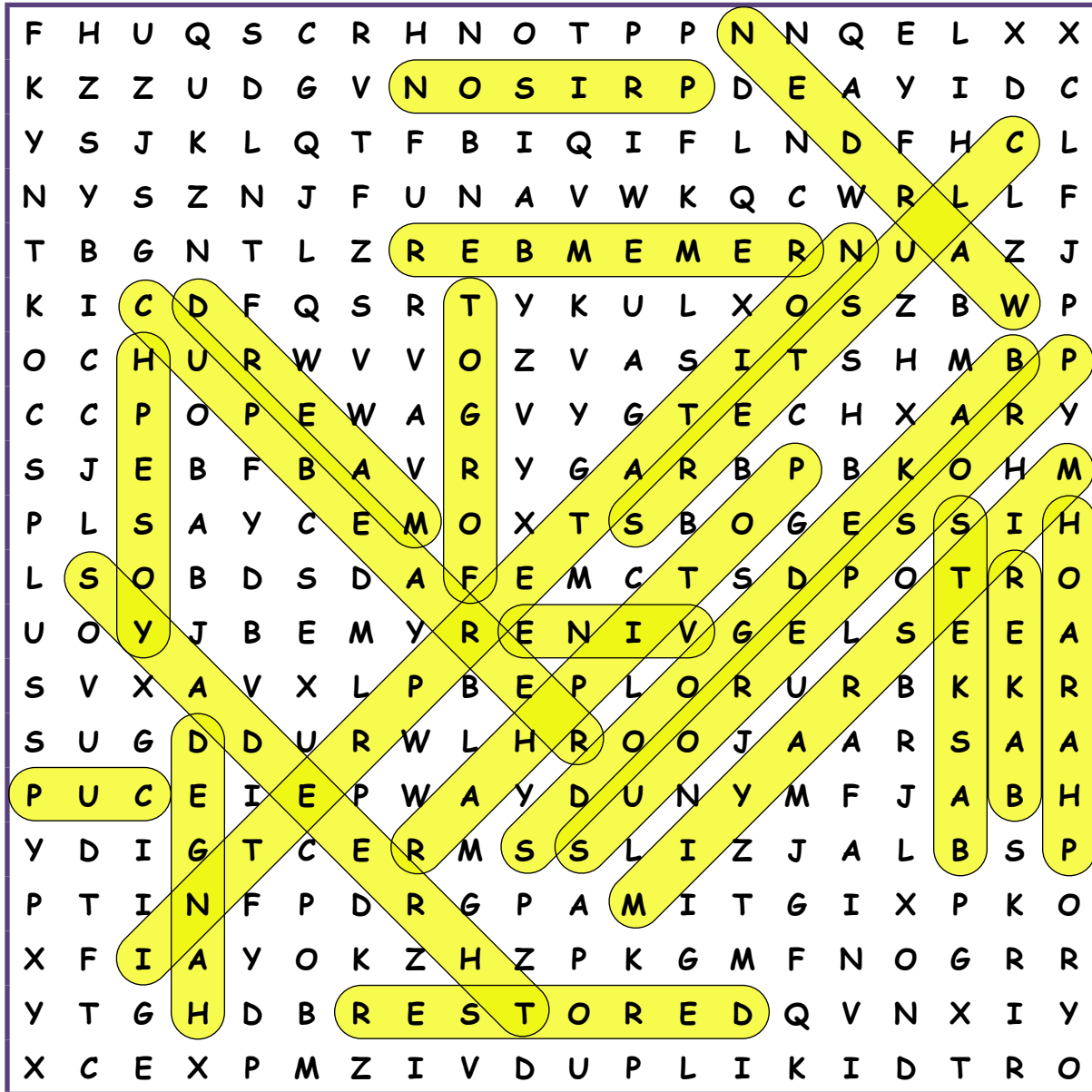
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PHARAOH
WARDEN
DREAM
CUP
BASKETS
HANGED

MITSRAYIM
PROSPEROUS
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VINE
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BAKED GOODS
REMEMBER

POTIPHAR
PRISON
BAKER
CLUSTERS
INTERPRETATION
RESTORED
FORGOT



Answer Key



YOSEPH
 PHARAOH
 WARDEN
 DREAM
 CUP
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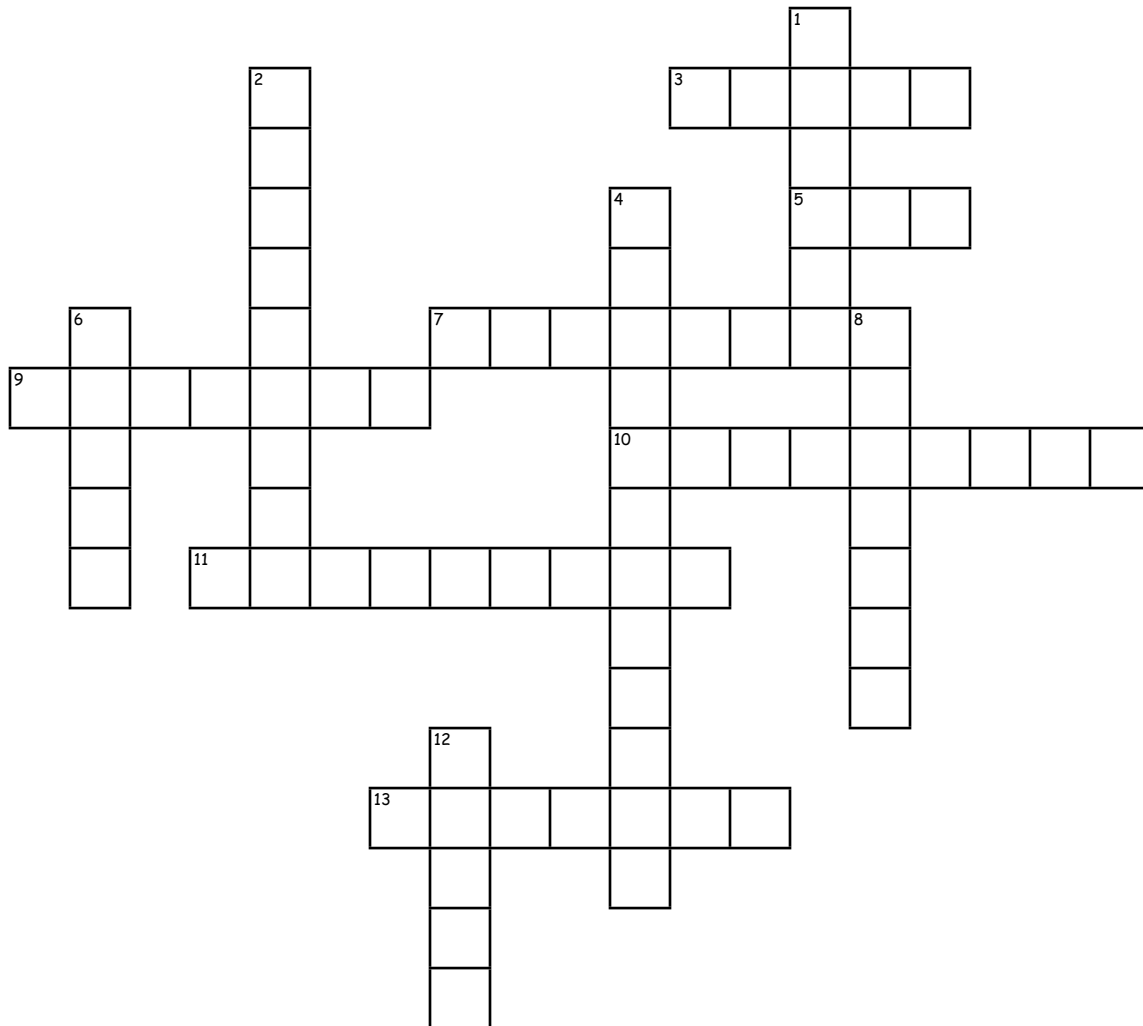
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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



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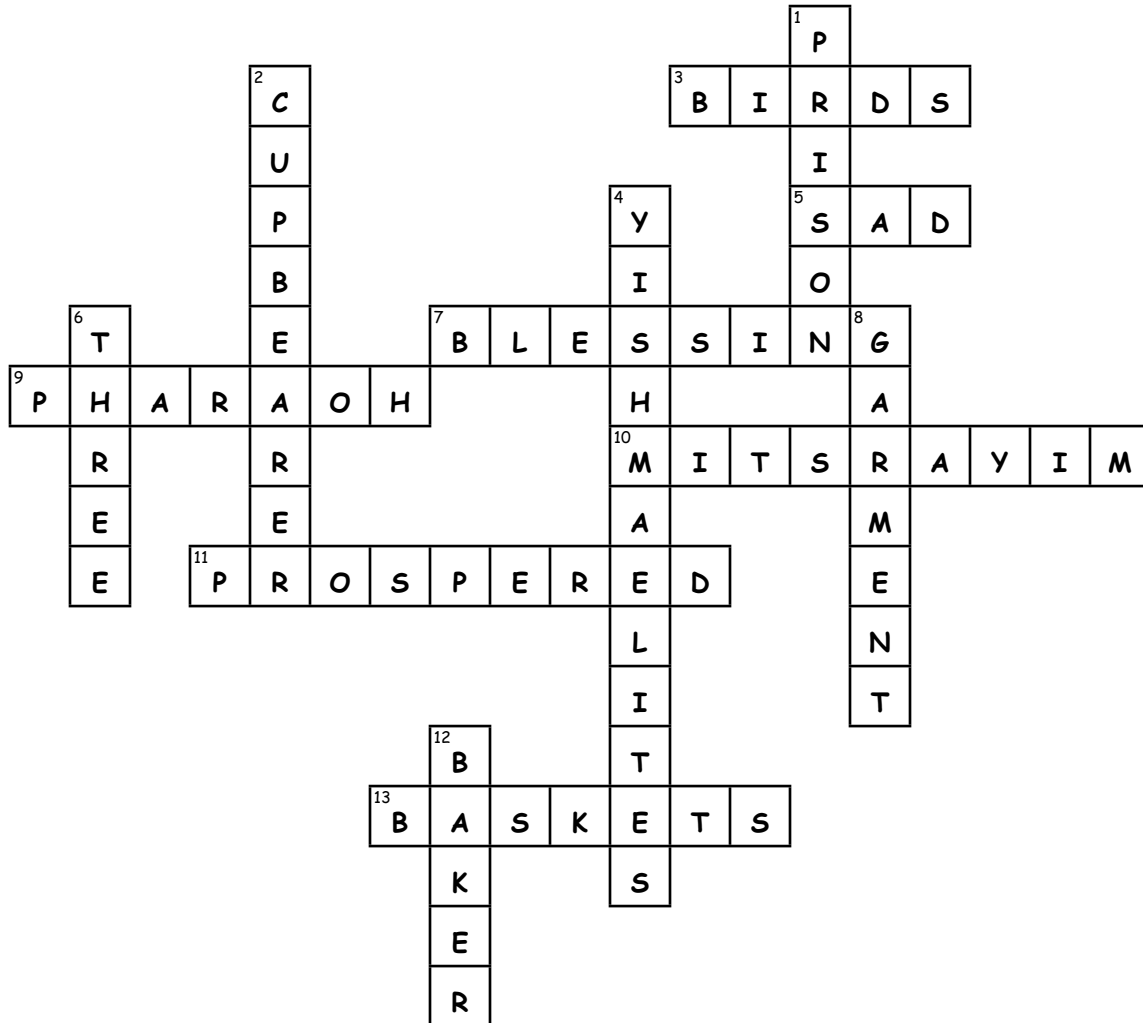
1. Yoseph's master put him in _____.
2. Who was restored to his position?
4. From whom did Potiphar buy Yoseph?
6. Yoseph said the _____ branches were _____ days.
8. What did Potiphar's wife hold in her hand?
12. Who was hung?

Across

3. Who ate the baked goods out of the basket?
5. Yoseph asked the cupbearer and the baker why they looked so _____.
7. The _____ of Yahweh was on all that he had in the house and in the field.
9. The cupbearer said that he placed a cup in the hand of _____.
10. What country was Yoseph taken to?
11. Yahweh was with Yoseph and all he did _____ in his hand.
13. The baker had 3 _____ on his head in his dream.



Answer Key



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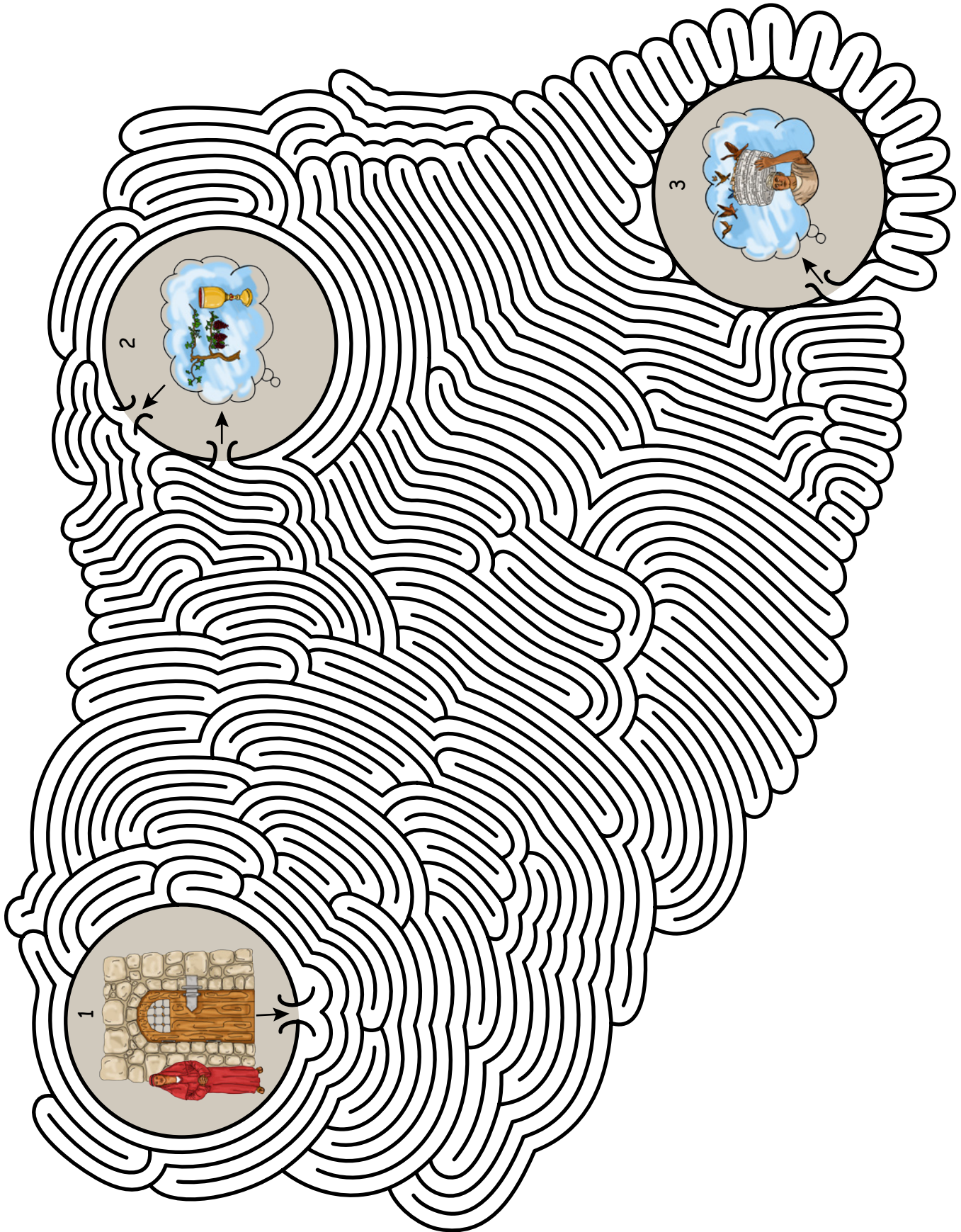
1. Yoseph's master put him in **prison**.
2. Who was restored to his position?
cupbearer
4. From whom did Potiphar buy Yoseph?
Yishma'elites
6. Yoseph said the **three** branches were **three** days.
8. What did Potiphar's wife hold in her hand?
garment
12. Who was hung? **baker**

Across

3. Who ate the baked goods out of the basket? **birds**
5. Yoseph asked the cupbearer and the baker why they looked so **sad**.
7. The **blessing** of Yahweh was on all that he had in the house and in the field.
9. The cupbearer said that he placed a cup in the hand of **Pharaoh**.
10. What country was Yoseph taken to?
Mitsrayim
11. Yahweh was with Yoseph and all he did **prospered** in his hand.
13. The baker had 3 **baskets** on his head in his dream.



MAZE



Precious Possessions

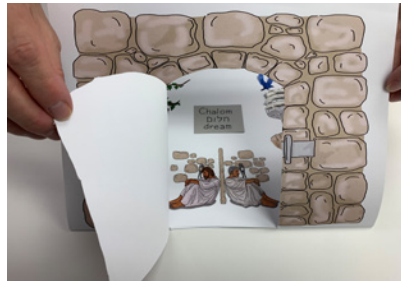
NOTEBOOK PAGE

Materials:

- Cardstock - white
- Tissue paper - blue
- Paper napkin - white
- Sequins - burgundy
- Gems - red
- Glitter glue - gold & silver
- Glue
- Clear tape
- Scissors
- X-acto knife
- Coloring pencils, crayons or markers
- Notebook Templates: Main Pages (BW) or Main Pages (color)

We Each Have Dreamed a Dream

Genesis 40:8



Parent/Teacher Preparation:

- Print Main Pages of choice on white cardstock.
- Depending on the skill of the child, you may need to cut around the prison door.

Instructions for the Notebook Page:

- If using BW Templates, color using medium of choice.

Embellishing Main Page Baker and Cupbearer Dream

- Decorate the wine cup using gold and silver glitter glue. (P1)
- Glue a red gem onto the center gem on the cup. (P1)
- Apply glue to each of the grape clusters and place burgundy sequins on the glue overlapping the sequins. (P1)
- Cut a napkin into (3) $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips and roll them to look like rope. (P2)
- Apply glue to the basket in the 3 areas and lay napkin strips over the glue. Cut off any excess. (P3)
- Cut 2 small strips of blue tissue and twist in the middle to create a 'v' shape. (P4)



P1



P2



P3



P4

Instructions for the Notebook Page cont'd:

- Apply glue to the center of the bird's body on the left and right. You can do the middle bird also if you desire. (P5a)
- Place the blue tissues gently on the glue so as to not tear. (P5b)
- Your page is now complete. Allow the embellishments to dry. (P6)



P5a

P5b

Attaching the Prison Main Page

- Using an X-acto knife, cut the top, right side and bottom of the prison door so that it can open. (P7)
- Place the prison page over the cupbearer and baker dream scene so that the bottom of the prison door is flush to the bottom scene. This should leave an overhang of about 1". (P8a)
- Fold the 1" overhang onto the back. (P8b)
- Tape the overhang piece to the back of the cupbearer and baker dream scene. (P8c)
- Flip over. You will see the bottom page extend above the first page at the top. (P9)



P6



P7

Hebrew Words

- Write the following directly on the Main Page or on a piece of colored cardstock and glue to the page:
 - 1) Chalom 2) חלום 3) Dream (P10)
 - 1) Mashkeh 2) משקה 3) Cupbearer (P11)
 - 1) Ofeh 2) אפה 3) Baker (P12)



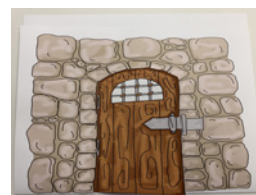
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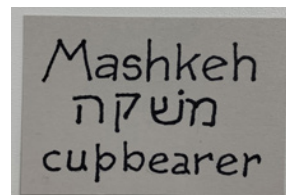
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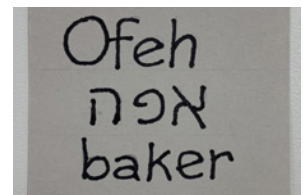
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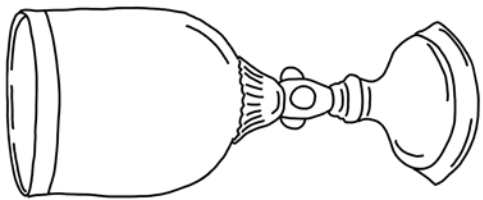
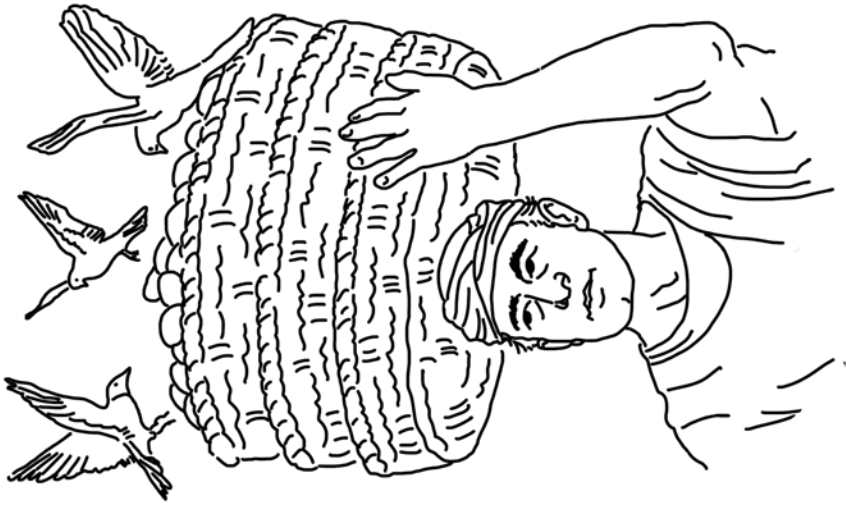


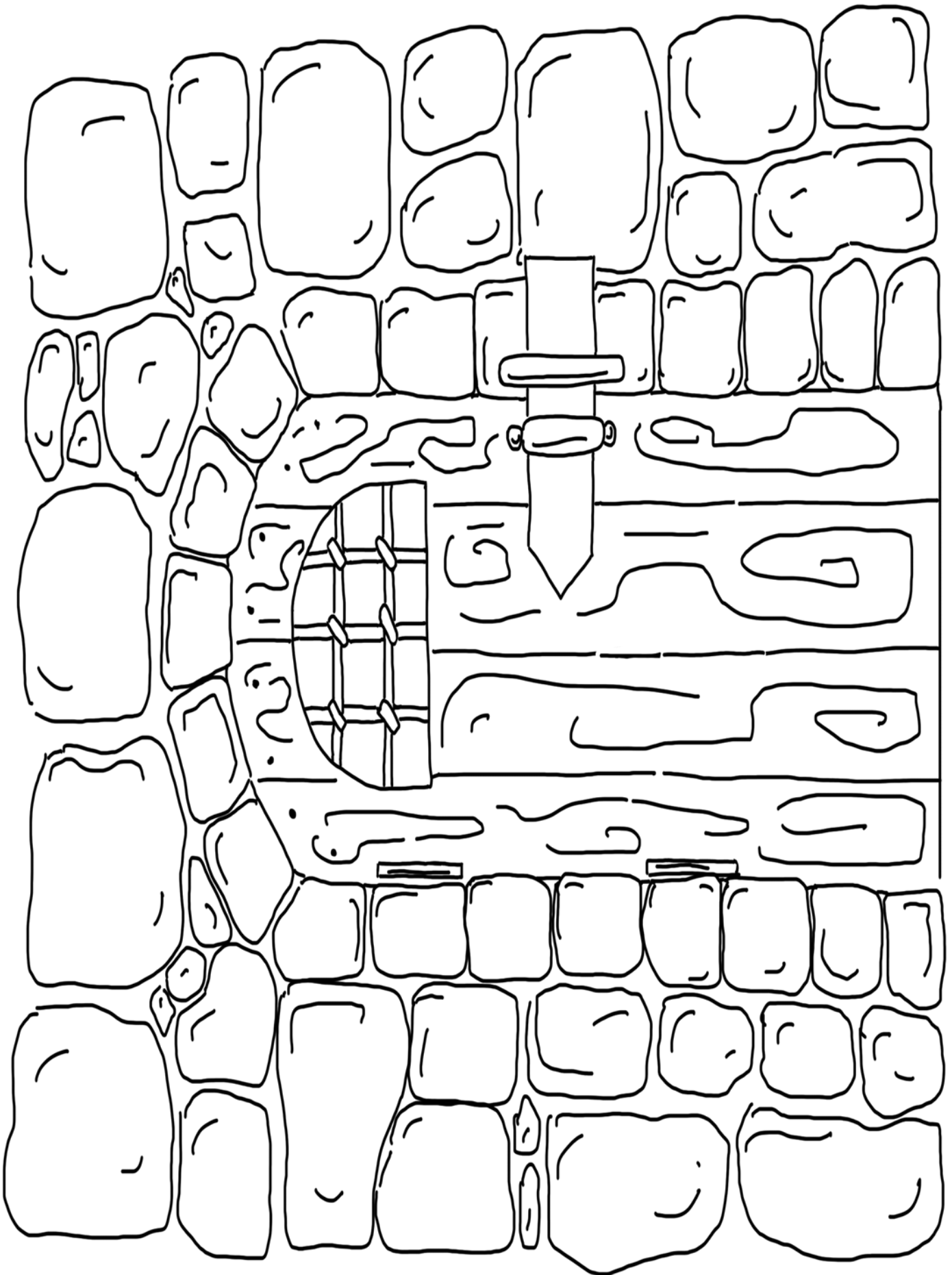
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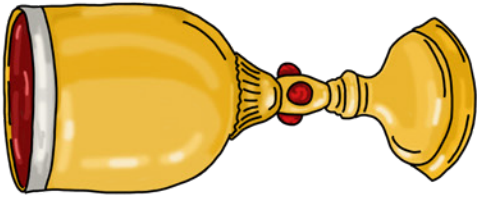
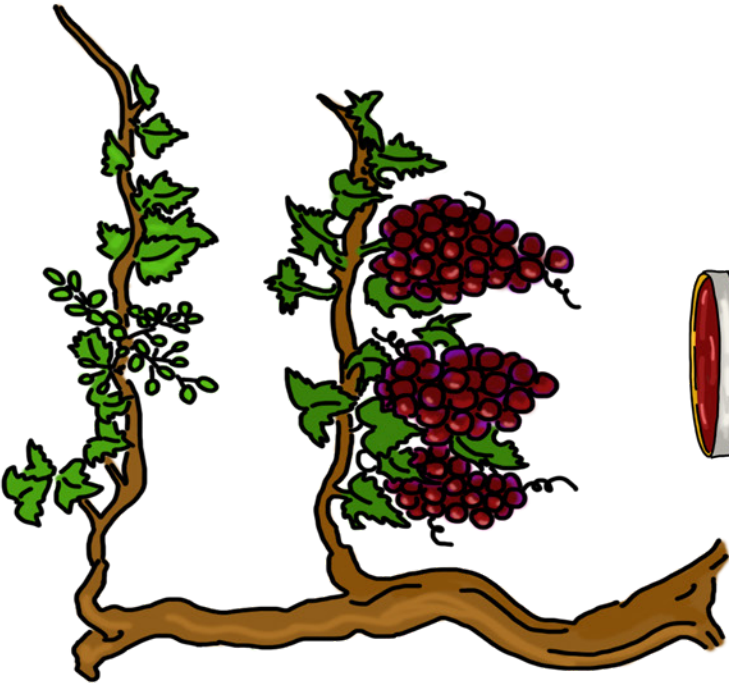


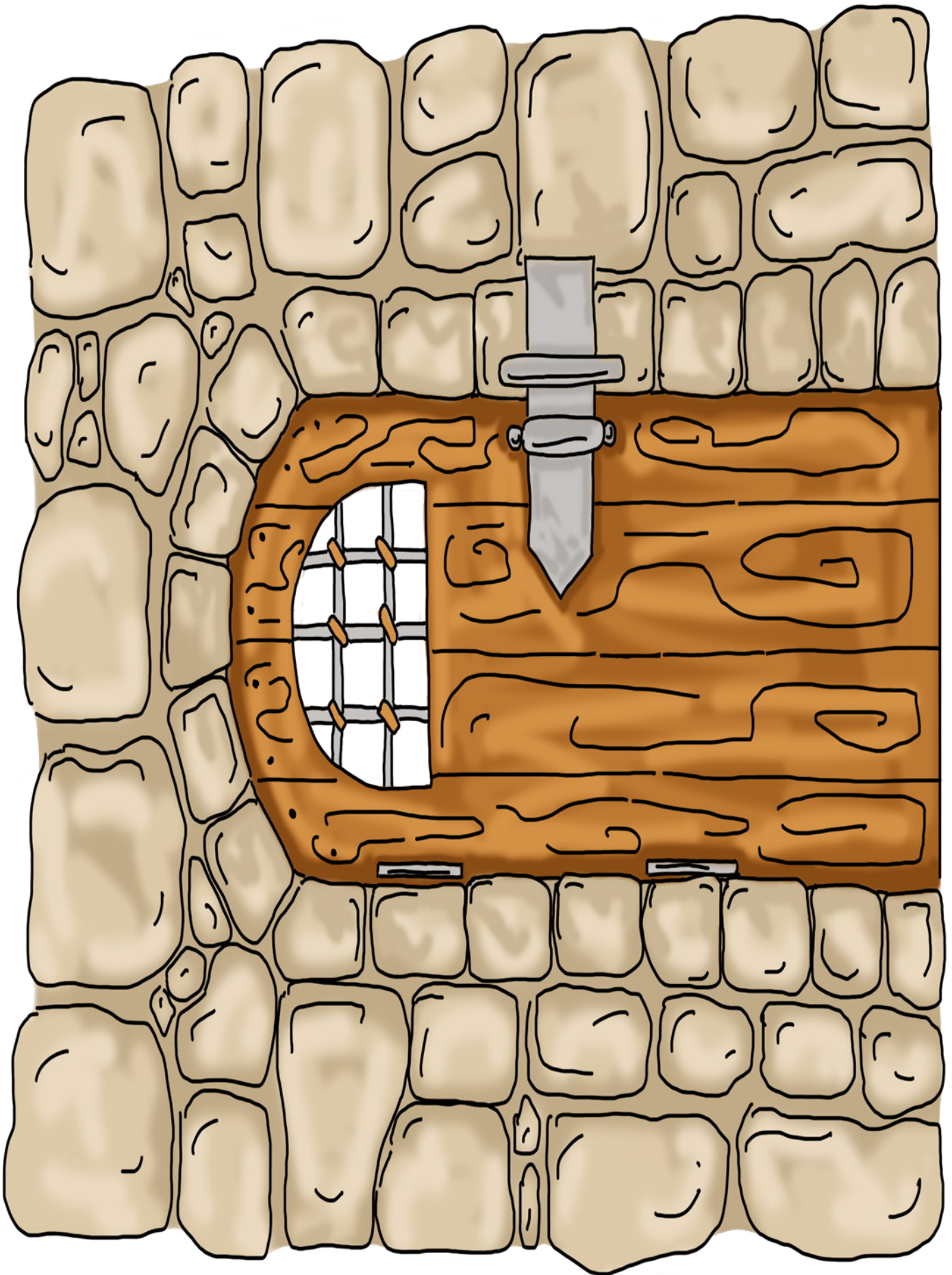
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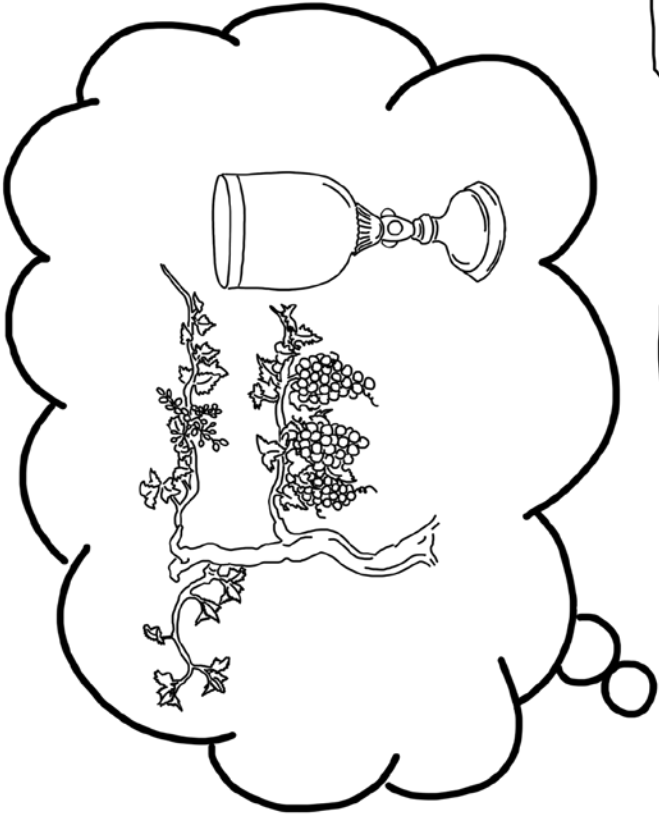
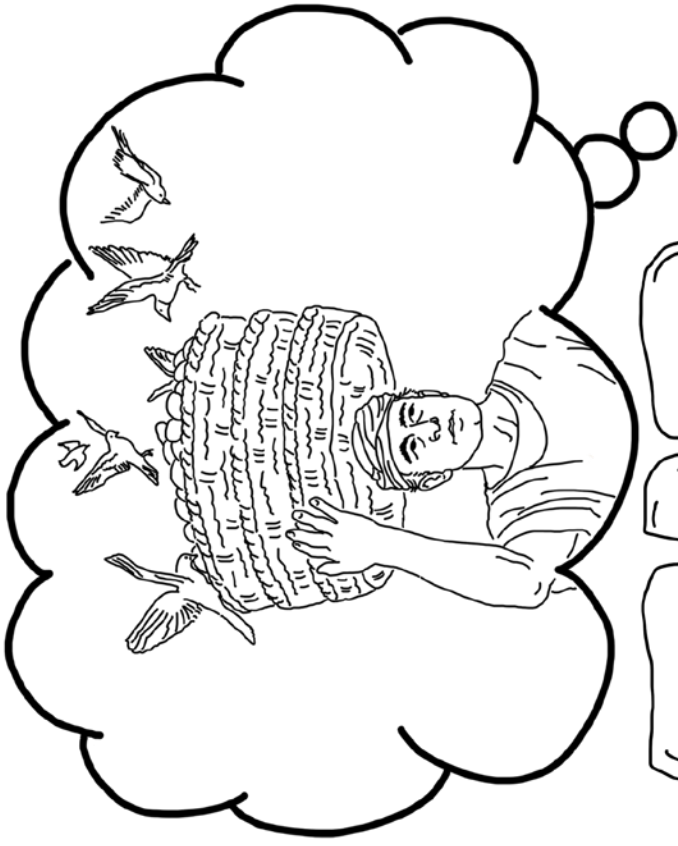
You now have a visual representation of the dreams that the cupbearer and baker had.











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/2019-12-12T09_00_00-08_00

Yoseph, Yoseph

Yoseph had a special coat
That his father made for him
Yoseph had a special coat
Made his brothers really mad

Then Yoseph had some crazy dreams
Stars and moon, binding sheaves
Then that boy had crazy dreams
In which his family bowed to him

He told them to his family
Maybe not the smartest thing
He told them to his family
Made his brothers jealous of him

Chorus:
Yoseph Yoseph, What are you gonna do?
Yoseph, Yoseph, We're all rooting for you
Yoseph, Yoseph, How's this gonna end?
Quite a journey, You're taking now my friend

So his brothers threw him in a pit
Not even any water in it
His brothers threw him in a pit
Leaving him outside

But Judah said, "Hey let's sell him"
"Cuz what we're doing is a sin"
"Hey let's sell him"
"To these Ishmaelite guys"

So he ended up in Egypt land
Without a family or a plan
He ended up in Egypt land
In the house of Potiphar



Chorus

But Potiphar's wife had a plan
She really wanted to get to know him
Potiphar's wife had a plan
And landed Yoseph in jail

Made friends with the chief cupbearer
And the chief baker cuz he read their dreams
The chief baker he ended up dead
And the chief cupbearer went free

And he told Pharaoh about the boy he met
Young and handsome, he could interpret
And Yoseph came to read Pharaoh's dreams
And that's where this song ends

Yoseph Yoseph, What are you gonna do?
Yoseph, Yoseph, We're all rooting for you
Yoseph, Yoseph, How's this gonna end?
Keep learning the parshas,
And then you'll see my friend



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.

Grapes and Baked Goods

Genesis 40:10, 17



Ingredients:

- Cookies of choice
- Grapes

Instructions:

Serve this simple snack to remember the dreams that the baker and the cupbearer had Yoseph interpret.

Next Week's Treasure Hunt

Next Week's Torah Portion



Suggested Reading Schedule

Monday:	Gen. 41:1-40	Pharaoh's dreams; Yoseph appointed to be 2 nd in command
Tuesday:	Gen. 41:41-57	Yoseph marries and has 2 sons during the 7 years of plenty; The 7 years of scarcity begins
Wednesday:	Gen. 42	Yoseph's encounter with his 10 brothers
Thursday:	Gen. 43	Ya'aqob sends his sons back to Mitsrayim with Binyamin
Friday:	Gen. 44:1-17	The incident of the 'stolen' cup