

# KMS Family Parsha Sheet

בס"ד

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שבועי של פסח - Shvii Shel Pesach

## Parsha Questions

(Answers on the back)

- 1) What special Megillah do we read on Pesach?
- 2) What happened on Shevii Shel Pesach?
- 3) Why do we only say "Half Hallel" from Days 3-8 of Pesach?
- 4) How many days and weeks do we count for Sefirat HaOmer?
- 5) What happens if you forget to count Omer one night?
- 6) What if you forget to count the next day as well?
- 7) What must we be careful of if someone asks what day of the Omer it is?
- 8) Why do we mourn during the weeks of the Omer count?
- 9) What are some of the restrictions during the Omer period?
- 10) What important day in the Jewish calendar comes in the week after Pesach?



## Words of Wisdom

Berachot 58a

אין דעתם דומה זה לזה ואין פרצופיהן דומים זה לזה

No two minds are alike just as no two faces are alike

## Did You Know?

Buying Chametz After Pesach

(star-k.org)

The Torah forbids a Jew to own chometz on Pesach. In order to dissuade people from owning chometz on Pesach, there is a rabbinic injunction not to eat or benefit from chometz which was owned by a Jew during Pesach. Such chometz is known as chometz she'avar olov haPesach, and it remains forbidden permanently. For this reason, one should not buy chometz from a Jewish-owned store immediately after Pesach, unless the owner sold all chometz that he owned before Pesach to a non-Jew for the duration of Pesach and did not acquire any further chometz during Pesach. If a Jewish-owned store did not sell its chometz for Pesach, may one buy chometz from that store a few weeks after Pesach? It is difficult for the consumer to ascertain whether the chometz was in the store during Pesach and is subsequently forbidden, or whether it came into the store after Pesach and is permitted. Since chometz she'avar olov haPesach is a rabbinic injunction, one can be lenient if there is a reasonable doubt as to whether or not the chometz was in the store during Pesach. (This is because we apply the principle that "safek d'rabanan lekula" – we are lenient when it is uncertain whether or not a rabbinic restriction applies). Supermarkets generally have a two week turnaround time. It should be assumed that all chometz sold during the two weeks after Pesach was already in the store on Pesach. Chometz may be bought from a supermarket after that time if it is known that the distributor was non-Jewish. Regarding a store which receives chometz from a Jewish distributor, see below.

Other stores, especially smaller ones, may have a longer turnaround time. The turnaround time for alcoholic beverages is longer than that of products in supermarkets. Liquor stores generally maintain inventory for six or seven weeks. One should wait until after Shavuot before purchasing liquor from such a store, or sell kitniyot products before Passover.

AFTER 8 DAYS OF MATZA...



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## Parsha Answers:

- 1) Shir HaShirim, which talks about the great love between a man and woman, reflecting the great connection between Hashem and Bnei Yisrael.
- 2) The splitting of the Red Sea took place on the 7th day of Pesach as seen in that being the Torah Reading on that day.
- 3) Our joy is somewhat muted since the Mitzrim drowned in the Yam Suf.
- 4) 49 days and 7 weeks
- 5) You can count the next day with no bracha and then resume counting with a bracha the next day.
- 6) You would then count without a bracha for the rest of Sefira.
- 7) One should not say the # if they have not yet made the bracha. So if asked what day it is one can say "last night we counted \_\_\_\_."
- 8) 24,000 students of Rebbe Akiva died during this time period.
- 9) No haircuts, live music, parties...
- 10) Yom HaShoah V'HaGevurah - Holocaust Commemoration Day



## This Week In Jewish History

### Nisan 22

(Aish.com)


In the Hebrew year 2488 (1272 BCE), Joshua began a seven-day march around Jericho in anticipation of the Jewish conquest. The Jews circled the walls one time each day, for six days, and then on the seventh day marched around Jericho seven times -- until its walls collapsed amidst shofar blasts. The events are recorded in the biblical Book of Joshua, chapter 6.



## Tefilla Insights

### Why Don't We Say Tachanun During Nissan?

Nissan starts without Tachanun because it is the time when the Mishkan was inaugurated - that is the first 12 days. The 13th is Isru Chag of those 12 days,. There is no Tachanun on the 14th because the Korban Pesach was brought. And then we have Pesach. So there is no opportunity to say Tachanun until the majority of the month is already without Tachanun.



## Key Number or Word In The Parsha

### Echad - אחד

(jewishpress.com)

The Torah (Leviticus 23:15-16) requires one to count both the days and the weeks of the omer. On the first day one counts "Yom echad la'omer" not "Yom rishon la'omer" so as to make it perfectly clear that the first day of the omer is the day following the first day of Pesach and not the day following Shabbat. In so doing we reject the opinion of the Sadducees who interpreted the words "mimochorat hashabbat" (Leviticus 23:16) to mean Sunday.