

THE GREAT SYNAGOGUE

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Activity Pack

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THE STORY OF SHAVUOT

Shavuot is one of the most important days of the Jewish year.

On Shavuot the whole nation stood together at Mount Sinai and G-d gave them the Torah. The same Torah we have today! A wonderful thing happened when they stood together at that mountain. They felt an awesome unity. In the presence of G-d, everyone forgot their selfish feelings and they all cared about each other just as much as they cared about themselves. They were like "one person with one heart." Every year since then, for over 3000 years, we try to recreate these feelings of unity on Shavuot. We try to appreciate the special gift of the Torah, and remember that when we all look out for each other, amazing things can happen. In our story, a group of individuals become a team and reach the highest heights.

STORY

"All Together Now"

"Coach, I think we should just give up now," sighed Barry, the center of the Rams basketball team. His team-mates nodded in agreement. It was half-time of the championship game and the Wolves were ahead of the Rams by 20 points.

"What are you talking about?" answered the coach confidently.
"But coach, they're killing us." groaned Barry. "Each one of them is a superstar. We just can't compete!"

Coach Manhig wiped his brow and said "I know how you guys feel. They are a bunch of stars. But that's just why I think we can beat 'em."

The boys' perked up a little and waited for the coach to go on. "We might not be as talented as they are, its true. But we have one advantage over them, we know how to play as a team. I can see that the Wolves are all out for themselves and that they have no teamwork. In the end its gonna backfire. If you all get back out there and try not to be selfish, work together and help each other out, you'll win. So go out there and DO IT!"

The coach slapped each one of the boys on the back as he sent the team onto the court for the second half of the game. Sure enough the Rams played with togetherness and with a minute left in the game the score was tied! Now the Wolves had the ball. Each one of them was screaming to his team-mate to pass him the ball so that he could be the hero. But the player with the ball took the shot himself and it was a wild shot hat missed by a mile.

Barry, the Rams' center caught the ball, and was about to take a shot. But then he thought of his coaches words, "try not to be selfish" and decided to pass the ball to his team-mate, Jonny who was closer to the basket. Jonny scored an easy hoop just as the buzzer sounded, ending the game. The Rams had won!

After the game coach Manhig asked the team to vote for the "star of the game award." But he cracked a big smile when everyone gave him the same answer: "We all were!"

DISCUSSION IDEAS

AGE 3-5

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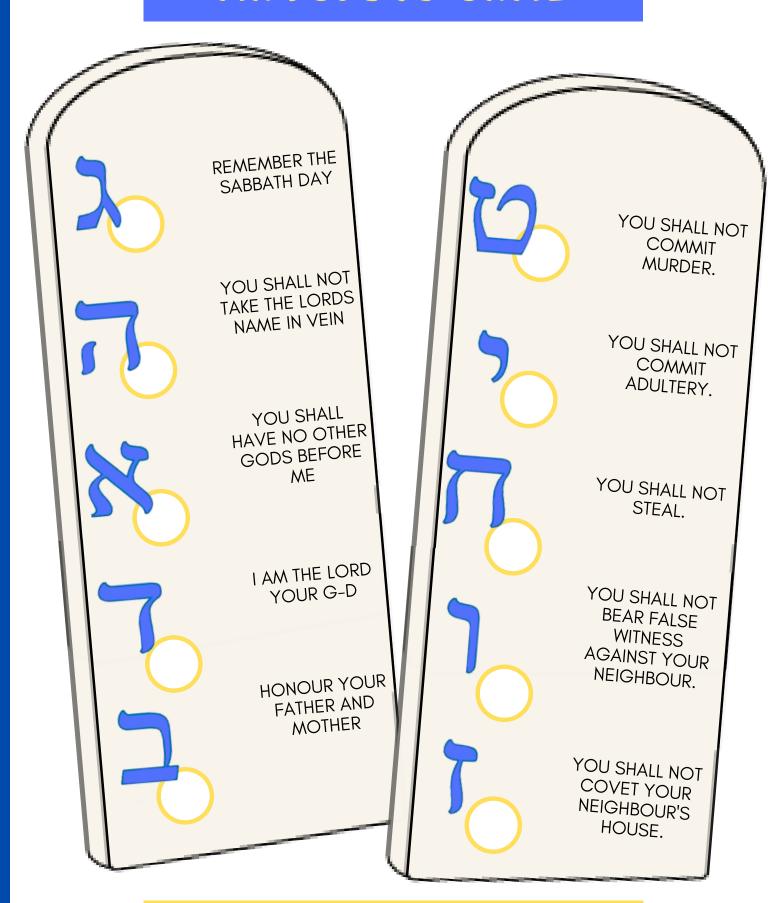
AGE 6-9

- What do you think makes people feel united with each other? What makes our family united?
- What causes disunity and fights between people or countries?

AGE 10-13

- What does it mean that "the whole is greater than the sum (total) of its parts"?
- On you think a person should be willing to give up some of his own good or comfort for the common good of a larger group such as a) his family, b) community, or c) the world? Why or why not?

TEN COMMANDMENTS MATCHING GAME



- Number the circles from 1 10 to show the Hebrew letter's numerical value
- 2. Draw a line to match the Commandment to it's correct Hebrew letter value

SHAVUOT FIND-A-WORD



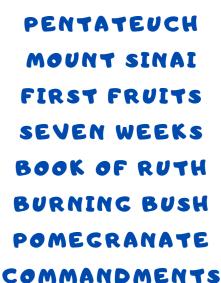
TEN

FIGS STAR FIRE CHAG MILK OMER LAWS SONG WORD DATES FEAST MOSES DAIRY AARON SIVAN GRAPES HONEY WHEAT TORAH YIZKOR CHEESE BARLEY

TANACH

HOLIDAY MIRACLE HARVEST SHAVUOT FESTIVAL COUNTING ICE CREAM CHEESECAKE

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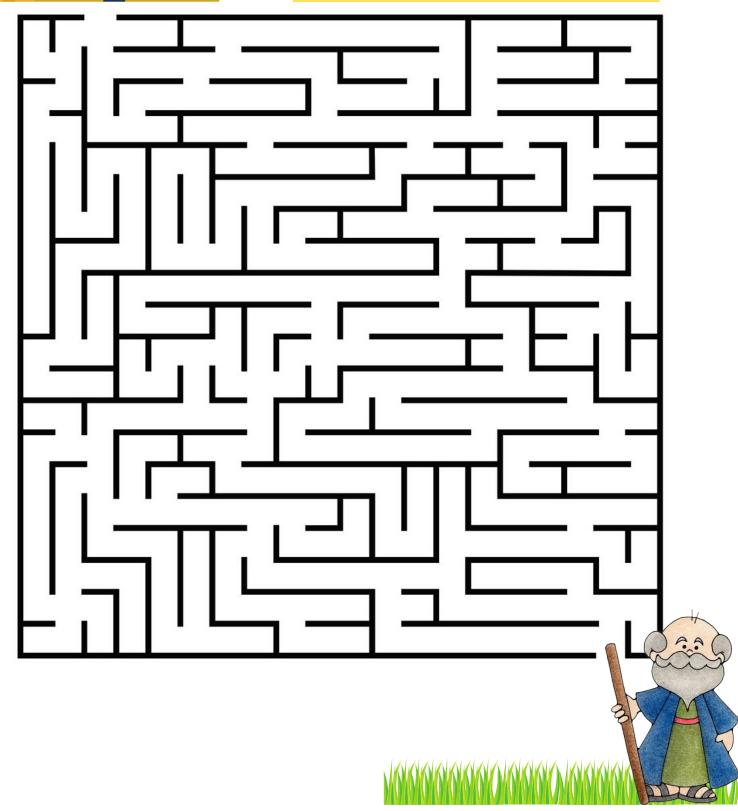
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SHAVUOT MAZE GAME



Can you get Moses to the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai?





SHAVUOT







SHAVUOT SAMEACH



ORIGAMI SHAVUOT GAME

FOLDING INSTRUCTIONS



Cut out the below square



Your paper should look like this



Fold it over like this



around so the folds you just made are facing down



Unfold it





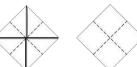
Now fold it the other way



Unfold it & your paper should look like this



Fold all 4 corners to the centre of the square so the points just touch it



Flip your paper



Fold the corners to the centre again



Your paper should look like this



Fold it sideways like figure 1 thén unfold it. Now fold it up like Figure 2.



Put your fingers under corners



Heres's how it should look the 4 opposite finished and open

