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Welcome Back!

We are so excited to welcome all our kinderlach back to Cheder Miami after a beautiful Yom Tov season!

It is wonderful to see the smiling faces, hear the happy voices, and feel the excitement of learning filling our classrooms once again!

*Special welcome to our two new experienced teachers:
Morah Rochel Farkas and Morah Tzipporah Krohn*



Simcha Corner

Mazal Tov!

- Mazal tov to Mr. and Mrs. Wasserlauf on the marriage of their son Bentzion!
- Mazal tov to Shragi Grusd on his upsherin!
- Mazal tov to Bentzion Brecher on his upsherin!

Happy Birthday!

- 10/02/23 Shragi Grusd
- 10/03/23 Bentzion Brecher
- 10/13/24 Shana Greenwald
- 10/22/22 Pinchas Praw



Reminders

Friday Schedule
Succos-Pesach

Full day Cheder Talmidim:
8:35am-12:55pm
Pick-up 12:40-12:55pm

Reminder-Parents of children born between Feb 2, 2022-Sep 1, 2023 should sign up for the Miami Beach \$3k Pre-k grant:
<https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/office-of-organizational-development/prek/>

This week in Nursery 2...



Dear Parents,

This week in afternoon nursery 2 we have been focusing on the letter A. We are learning all about Autumn and Apples. We have been looking at the many different colors and shapes of the Autumn 🍁 and acorns that I bought back with me from the Catskills. The children decided by themselves to sort the

Fall leaves into different color groups: yellow, brown and orange. We had fun making Fall 🍂 rubbings and the children got really creative while making a sticker 🍏 picture.

We had an apple tasting party and examined the parts of an apple: seeds, core, skin and flesh. We read a story about how an apple tree grows and a book titled Fletcher and the falling leaves. We have also been reciting the following Fall poem

with matching hand motions:

Down down yellow and brown

Fall leaves all over the ground

Rake them up and pile them high till they reach up to the sky.



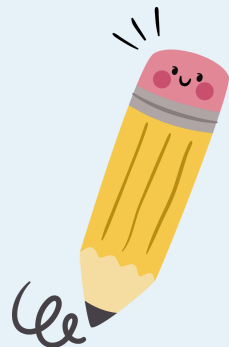
This week in Nursery 1...



**Dear Parents,
Welcome Back!**

We are so excited to be back at school after the beautiful Yomim Tovim! It was wonderful to see all our little friends again and their happy, smiling faces! We are looking forward to getting back into our routine, learning, playing, singing, and having lots of fun together. We can't wait for all the exciting activities and special moments ahead. Here's to a wonderful fresh start and a fantastic year of growing and learning together! We are busy finishing up our special body books and the everyone is getting excited to bring them home and show just how much they learned! We can't wait for you to see all their hard work and be as proud of them as we are!!

A big Mazel Tov to Shragi and Bentzion on their birthdays! They look so adorable and happy with their new haircuts, wearing their tzitzis and yarmulkas! We are so excited to celebrate this special milestone with them and can't wait for every boy in our class to reach this wonderful stage!
Reminder to please send sippy cups!



Nursery 1 Pictures



Our Week in School!

Cheder Toddler Class

This week we learnt all about farm animals! We were also introduced to the letters Aleph and Beis and decorated our Aleph and Beis pages!

Our Farm Friends



Aleph



Beis

Welcome to Our Farm



TUESDAY

Chickens

On Tuesday we learnt that chickens come from eggs and made our own hatching chicken craft!



WEDNESDAY

Ducks

On Wednesday we made our own swimming ducks!



THURSDAY

Sheep

On Thursday we made our own fluffy sheep!



FRIDAY

Challah & Shabbos Party

On Friday we had such a fun Shabbos party! Yosef was our Shabbos Abbo and Rosie was our Shabbos Imma. We even braided our own Challah for Shabbos!



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Please send Mitzvah notes for our Mitzvah Tree

Wishing everyone a wonderful Shabbos!
We can't wait to see you back in school next week!



Good Shabbos! ♥

Toddler Pictures





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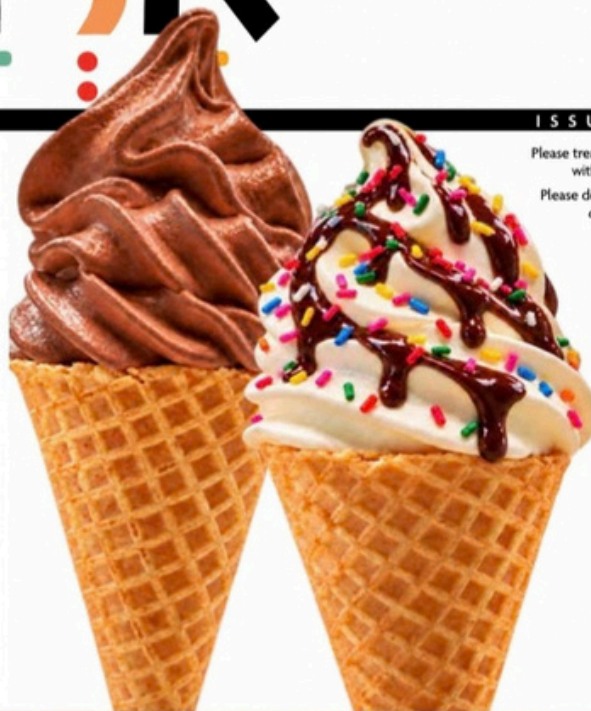
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 Please treat this newsletter
 with proper respect.
 Please do not read during
 davening or Krias
 HaTorah.

He Just Sat There

A few days after Succos, I coaxed my sons to help me take down the succah—a job no one enjoys—by offering to take them out for ice cream when the job was done. My daughter Tehilla saw me going out the door with two of our sons, Avrami and Chaim. She asked me where we were going and I told her, “I’m taking the boys out for ice cream as a reward for helping me take down the succah.” She asked why her other brother, Yossi, wasn’t going and I told her that it was because he didn’t help. Was it okay to tell Tehillah why Yossi didn’t deserve to come?

—Boruch



What's the Psak?

Do you know the halachah?

A Yes.
Yossi decided
not to help so it's
not loшон hora.

B Yes.
Saying that Yossi didn't help take
down the succah doesn't imply
that he's not helpful in other ways.

C No.
It's loшон hora to
say someone *didn't*
do something good.

When 'Not Good' Is Bad

There's no question that saying someone did a bad deed or that he is a bad person is loшон hora, unless there's a constructive purpose. But in this case, Boruch said nothing bad about Yossi; he just reported that Yossi *didn't* do something good.¹ Yossi opted out of helping his father and brothers with a laborious job. But even if Boruch wants to be truthful and ensure that he's giving a clear picture of what happened, he's not allowed to name Yossi as someone who didn't help, because this creates an image of him as self-centered or lazy. Also, in general, when people are eager to disclose who didn't help, it's often out of revenge, because they resent the person's unwillingness to

lend a hand. In that case, naming the names violates the Torah's prohibition against taking revenge.²

Boruch can answer the question honestly without speaking loшон hora about Yossi. He can just say, “I owe them an ice cream,” without saying why; this will preclude discussing Yossi.

Answer: The halachah is C.

Reviewed by **Rabbi Moshe Mordechai Lowy**

Rav Pam, zt”l, advised great caution when presenting halachic scenarios to the public, as each situation is unique. This *shailah* is for discussion only; actual halachic decisions should be made by a *rav* or halachic expert on a case-by-case basis.

The Shmiras Haloshon Shailah Hotline: 718-951-3696 2-3PM / 9-10:30 PM

My **אדרבה** moment

I wanted
attention—



Instead,
I gave it.

THANK YOU!



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Be the
good
Pursue
Peace



Nothing like this had ever happened in the Jewish community of this small Polish town. It had split in half, and each side was filled with righteous fury against the other. There was a right way to do things and there was a wrong way! And when it came to the holy work of the town's burial society, there was no room for error.

So, when the two *gabbaim* of the town's *chevrah kaddisha* fell into a disagreement about official matters, neither was willing to give in an inch. Their rift was so great that the whole town picked sides. The *chevrah kaddisha* split, with each *gabbai* leading his own group. People would only let "their" *chevrah kaddisha* prepare their relatives for burial,

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the Hebrew
sefer *Aderaba*,
by Rabbi
Yaakov Yisrael
Posen

burying them in that *chevrah's* plot.

The town *rav* was distressed to see his *kehillah* splintered, with anger

and *loshon hora* shooting back and forth, poised to destroy them all. He tried to make peace, but

his words didn't penetrate their hardened hearts. *Rabbanim* of neighboring towns tried to help, but they too were unsuccessful.

One day, the *rav* heard that the Chofetz Chaim would be stopping in town to sell his *sefarim*. Surely he

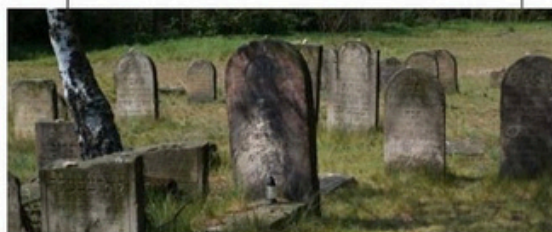
would be able to end the *machlokes*!

The Chofetz Chaim called the two sides together and gave each plenty of time to air their grievances. He listened carefully, but he didn't render judgment. Rather, he gave them his advice.

"My precious Jews," he said, "know that a town that has one *chevrah kaddisha* has one *Malach HaMaves*. But if you have two *chevrah kaddishas*, there will be two *Malachei HaMaves*. Is one not enough for you, that you want to bring to your town a second one?"

At last, the *gabbaim* saw reality. They sat down and hammered out a compromise, and the town's rift healed.

(Note: The Chofetz Chaim's comment does not apply to larger towns with multiple communities, where each community may have its own *chevrah kaddisha*.)



See the
good
What's the
Real
Story?



Never ever be a delivery man, Dovid told himself. I knew I shouldn't have gotten involved. There's always confusion. Why don't I listen to myself?

Dovid was steaming. He was due at the hall in an hour for family pictures at his sister's wedding. He had driven in from Brooklyn to Lakewood, giving himself what had seemed like plenty of time, but now

he stood in front of a random house in a random development holding a gown for his sister's seminary friend.

He had been there for half an hour, calling the friend's cell phone number, knocking on the door, waiting, and waiting some more.

He had agreed to deliver it from another one of his sister's friends in Brooklyn to this married friend, who lived

in a gray vinyl-sided house that was one among 300 identical houses in this neighborhood, poetically named Towering Oaks. At this point, he felt he had fulfilled his *shelichus*. "If she really wanted the gown, she would have made sure to be home and reachable!" Dovid concluded. Why was this woman so irresponsible?

Where on Earth Is She?

As Dovid left the development, he noticed someone standing on the sidewalk, anxiously peering down the street. Instantly, he knew who it was. He pulled over.

"Mrs. Siegal?" he asked.

"Dovid Bauman?" she asked in return.

"Yes," he said. "The gown's in the back. I was waiting in front of your house for the past half-hour."

"This is my house," she said, pointing to the gray, vinyl-sided structure behind her.

"Oh, no!" said Dovid. "I misheard the voice note. It sounded like 255 Acorn Lane. But it was 265! Sorry to keep you waiting so long."

"Sorry you had to wait," said Mrs. Siegal.

Well, Dovid thought, there was waiting, and there was confusion, but this time, I caused it myself.

Can you Crack the case?



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