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INTRODUCTION

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Impress the Torah upon your children

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 6:6 - 7

And these words which I am commanding you today shall be in your heart, and you shall impress them upon your children, and shall speak of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up.

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Foreword

In this publication all references to our Creator are used as in the original Hebrew text of the **TaNaKh**, an acronym for Torah, Nevi'im and Ketuvim, meaning the Law, Prophets and Writings. Our Heavenly father is therefore referred to as YHWH (the transliteration for His Name, Yod-Heh-Waw-Heh, and His title, Elohim, meaning the Mighty One.

Personal, place names and general terms used in this publication are adapted from The Scriptures (TS2009) published by Institute for Scripture Research. Special characters are however simplified to make it understandable for children.

We suggest you consult the index pages of The Scriptures (TS2009) for the names of the books of Scripture, giving both the Hebrew names and Anglicised names. However, in this publication, teaching the Hebrew roots of the belief, the Hebrew names were retained.

Names containing the Hebrew letter 'beyt' have been rendered as a 'v' (veyt), where they express the soft pronunciation of the letter.

Similarly the Hebrew letter 'chet' has been rendered 'ch' such as **Chaw**-wah, **Noach** etc.

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YHWH CALLS AVRAM

In a land called Ur-Kasdim there lived a man named Terach. He was one of the descendants of Noach's son, Shem. Terach had three sons. Their names were Avram, Nachor and Haran.

When Haran had children, he named them Lot, Milka and Yiskah. Haran died before his father, Terach. His daughter, Milka, married her uncle Nachor. Avram married Sarai. She was barren and did not have children.

Terach and his grandson, Lot, left Ur-chasdim with Avram and Sarai, to go to a land called Kena'an. They travelled as far as Charan and stayed there. When Terach was two hundred and five years old, he died in Charan.

And YHWH said to Avram "Leave your land, your relatives and your father's house, and go to a land which I will show you. And I shall make you a great nation, and bless you, and make your name great, and you shall be a blessing.

And I shall bless those who bless you and curse him who curses you. And in you all the clans of the earth shall be blessed."

Avram obeyed YHWH. He was seventy-five years old when he, his wife Sarai and his nephew, Lot, took all their possessions and left Charan.

They arrived at Kena'an where the Kena'anites lived. They travelled through the land until they reached the Terebinth tree of Moreh at Shechem. While they lived there, YHWH appeared to Avram and said to him: "I give this land to your descendants."

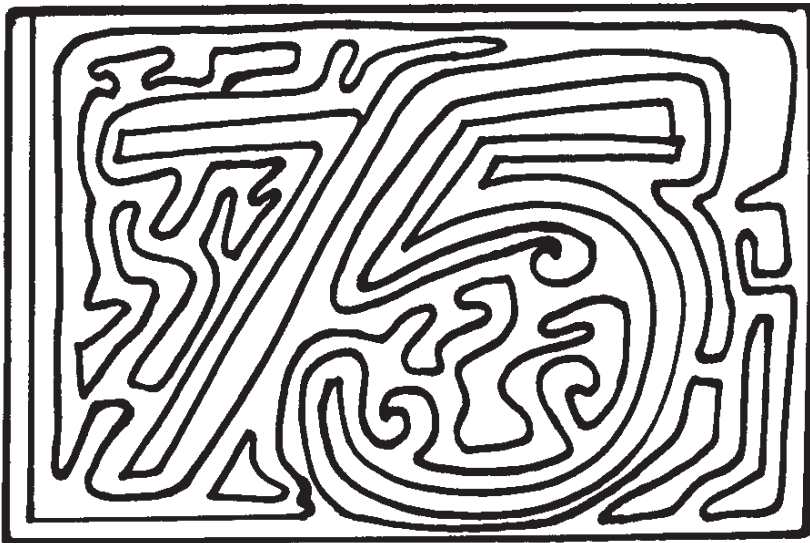
Then Avram built a slaughter place there, to YHWH, who appeared to him.

From there, they travelled to the mountain east of Beyth El. They pitched their tent there, between Beyth El on the west and Ai on the east. Avram built a slaughter place to YHWH and called on the Name of YHWH.

They kept travelling south, but there was a severe scarcity of food in the land, so they decided to go to Mitsrayim.

Avram obeyed YHWH. How old was he when he left Charan? Find his age in the picture and colour it blue.

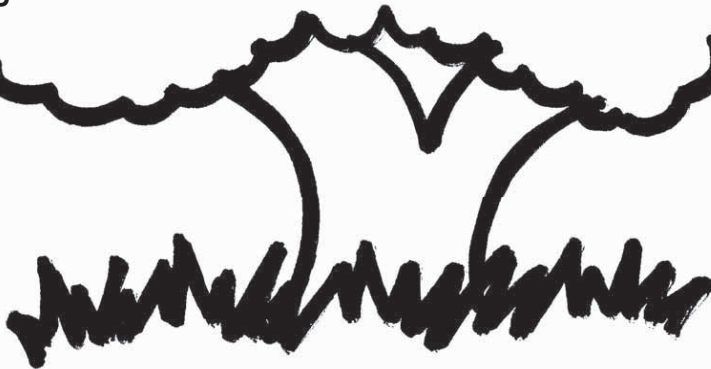
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MATCH THE COLUMN

- | | |
|---|-----------|
| 1. Avram's father | Lot |
| 2. Terach's grandson | Sarai |
| 3. Terach died there | Terach |
| 4. Through him all nations
will be blessed | Charan |
| 5. Avram's wife | Mitsrayim |
| 6. Terebinth tree | Shechem |
| 7. A famine caused them to
go there. | Avram |



COMPLETE

1. _____ said to Lot: "We are brothers and your men and my men should not be _____. Please move away from me. Choose any part of the _____ and I will take the _____ side. If you choose the left side, I will take the _____ side, and if you choose the right side, I will take the _____."
2. YHWH said to _____ : "I am going to give you so many _____ that no one will be able to count them all. They will be as the _____ of the earth."

WHO AM I

1. I left Mitsrayim with my husband, Avram, and his nephew, Lot.

2. I built an altar between Beyth El and Ai and called on the Name of YHWH. _____
3. I chose the Yarden Valley because it had plenty of water everywhere. _____
4. I pitched my tent near Sedom. _____
5. YHWH said to me: " All the land you see, I will give to you and your descendants forever. _____"

THE BIGGEST FAMILY EVER

Pretend that you are a photographer and you have to take a picture of the biggest family ever. Draw your "photo-graph" on the opposite page.

11. What happened to Avram when the sun went down?

**CIRCLE THE CORRECT
ANSWER**

1. The land YHWH gave to Avram's descendants started at the River of Mitsrayim to which great river?

- A) Yarden River
- B) Euphrates River
- C) Pishon River

2. What animal did YHWH not ask Avram to bring Him"

- A) three year old heifer
- B) three year old female goat
- C) three year old donkey

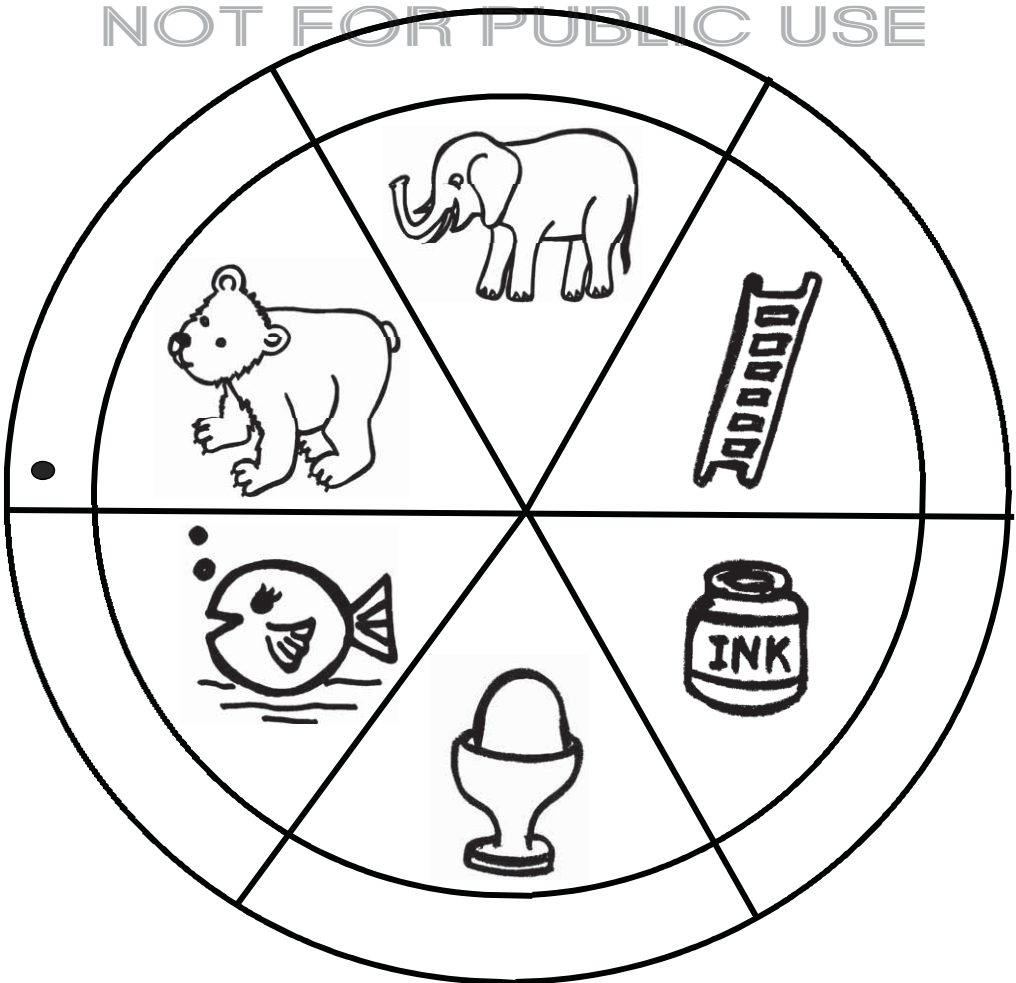
3. What passed between the carcasses when it was completely dark?

- A) Avram and his descendants
- B) Wild and tame animals
- C) Flaming sword and smoking oven

PUZZLE

YHWH considered Avram's _____ as righteousness. To find the answer write down the name of each object in the space provided. To form the answer write down the first letter of each word, starting at the dot.

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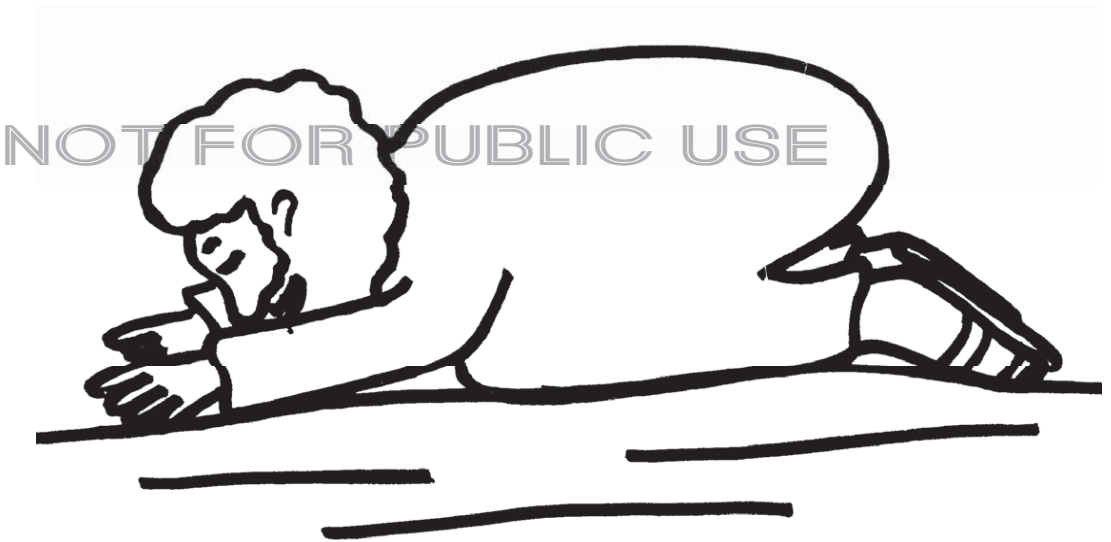


is eight days old. Even the sons of your slaves must be circumcised. This is the sign of the covenant between us.

If a son is not circumcised, he has broken my covenant and he will no longer be seen as one of My people.”

Elohim also said to Avram: “You must no longer call your wife Sarai. From now on her name is Sarah.

I will bless her and I will give you and Sarah a son. Nations and sovereigns will come from her.”



Then Avraham bowed down low with his face to the ground and laughed, thinking to himself: “Can a man have a child when he is a hundred years old? Can Sarah have a baby at ninety?” And Avraham said to Elohim: “Oh let Yishma’el live before you!”

But Elohim said to him: "No, your wife Sarah will have a baby boy and you must call him Yitschaq. My covenant will be with him and his descendants forever.

I have also heard your request for Yishma'el. I shall also bless him and give him many descendants. He will become the father of twelve princes and his descendants will become a great nation. But my covenant is with Yitschaq, the son you and Sarah will have this time next year."

When He finished speaking to Avraham, He left. Then Avraham circumcised his son Yishma'el and all the other males in his household, as Elohim commanded him. Avraham was ninety-nine years old and Yishma'el was thirteen when they were circumcised on that same day.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN NOT FOR PUBLIC USE

1. descendants _____

2. Covenant _____
3. Avram fell on his face _____

4. Sovereigns _____

MEMORY VERSE

And I shall establish my covenant between Me and you and your seed after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be Elohim to you and your seed after you.

Bereshith 17:7

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MATCH THE COLUMN

Use 6 different colours to connect each statement to the correct answer.

- | | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Nations and sovereigns would come from her. | Avraham |
| 2. He fell on his face and laughed. | Yitschaq |
| 3. Ninety-nine years old when promised A son. | Sarah |
| 4. Son of Sarah | Avraham |
| 5. Elohim made His covenant with this Descendant of Avraham. | Yishma'el |
| 6. He would be the father of 12 princes. | Yitschaq |

FIND THE HIDDEN WORDS

When Avram was ninety-nine years old YHWH appeared to him and said: I am _____. Walk before me and be _____.

To find the answers, circle every fourth letter, then write the circled letters on the lines above.

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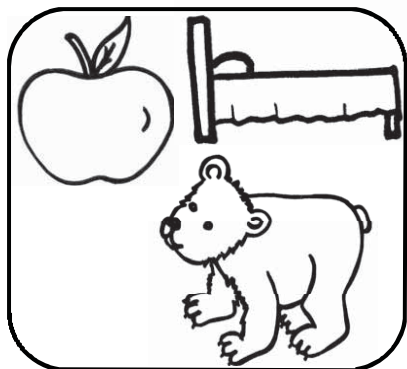
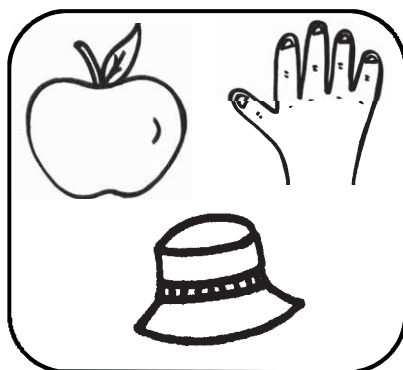
CIRCLE PUZZLE

Avram received a new name. Write the name of each object in the space provided. Then start at the • and write the first letter of each word on the dotted line to find out what his new name was. _ _ _ _ _



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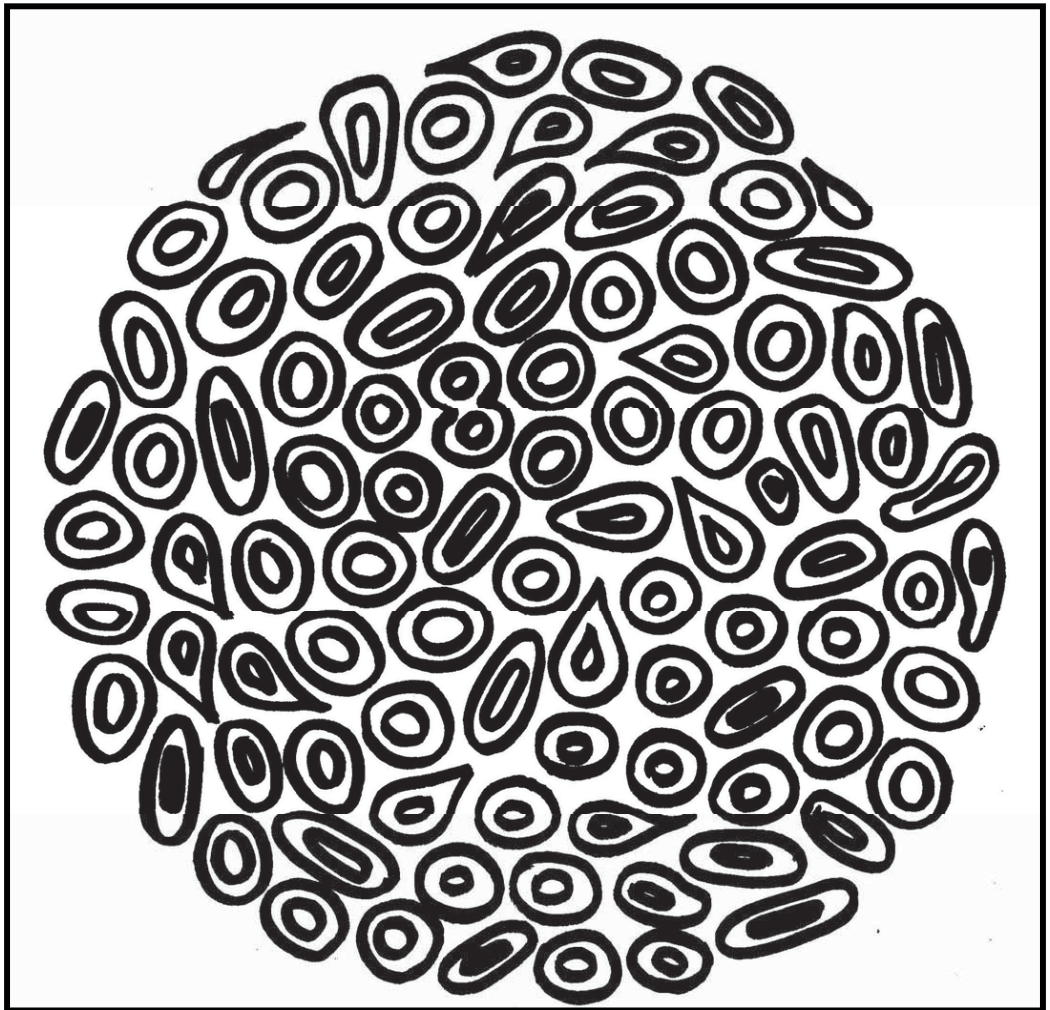
YHWH also gave Sarai a new name. To find out her new name, write down the first letter of each object in the box. Now circle the letter that appears only once in each box. Now write down the circled letters in each box on the line provided. _ _ _ _ _



FIND THE HIDDEN NUMBER

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Circumcision is the sign of the covenant that YHWH made with Avraham. YHWH told Avraham that every baby boy should be circumcised when he is ____ days old. Find the hidden number, colour it and write it in the space provided.



JOIN THE RECTANGLES

Can you remember the Hebrew words meaning Almighty? Arrange the rectangles in the correct order to form the words and write down the answer. _ _ _ _ _



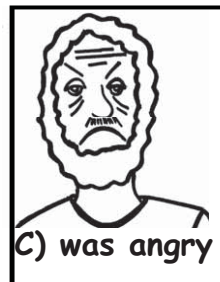
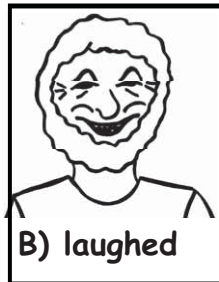
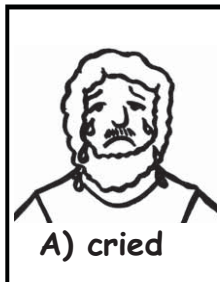
CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

1. YHWH promised that some of the descendants of Avraham and Sarah would become:



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2. When YHWH told Avraham that Sarah would have a son he:



YHWH APPEARS TO AVRAHAM

Avraham lived in a tent by the terebinth trees of Mamre. One day he was sitting by the entrance of his tent during the hottest part of the day, when YHWH appeared to him.



Avraham looked up from where he was sitting and saw three men standing opposite him. As soon as he saw them, he ran to them and bowed himself to the ground, saying, "YHWH, if I have found favour in Your eyes, please do not pass Your servant by.

Please let us bring some water for you to wash your feet, and you can rest under the tree. I will also bring you a piece of bread to eat before you go."

"Do as you have said," they replied.

So Avraham ran into the tent and said to Sarah: "Quickly knead three measures of fine flour and make cakes."

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Then he ran to the herd and took a good young calf which he gave to a young servant to prepare.

When it was ready, he took curds, milk and the

meat and brought it to the three men and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

"Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him. "She is in the tent," Avraham replied.

Then one of them said to Avraham: "I shall certainly return to you next year, and your wife Sarah will have a son."

Sarah stood listening at the entrance behind him. She laughed to herself, thinking: "Will I have a child now that both me and Avraham are old?"

Then YHWH asked Avraham: "Why did Sarah laugh and say: 'Am I really going to have a child now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for YHWH?"

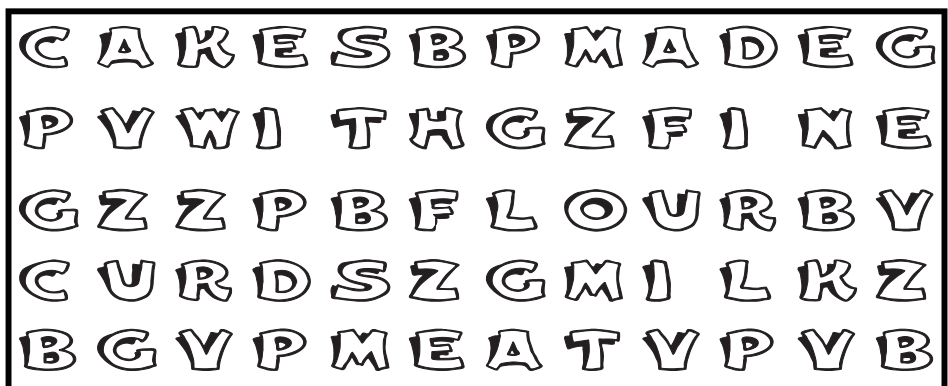
Sarah became afraid so she denied it and said: "I did not laugh." But He said to her, "No, you did laugh."

Then the three visitors looked toward Sedom and rose up to leave.

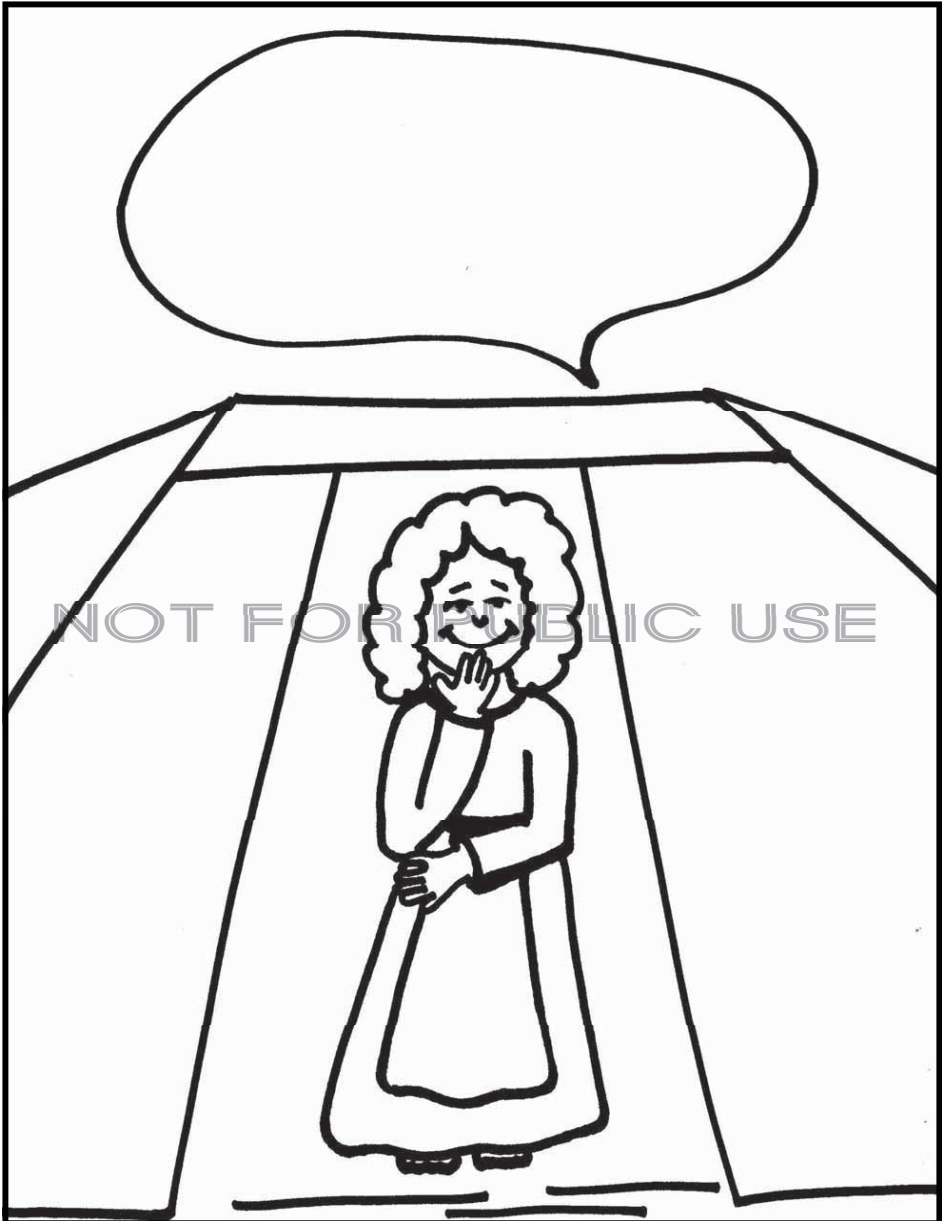
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SOLVE

Avraham brought food to the messengers. To find out what he brought, colour all the letters that appear 5 times. The remaining letters will form the answer.



Sarah stood listening at the entrance of the tent. What was she thinking? Write her thoughts in the speech bubble and colour the picture.



34 END	Visitors ready to leave. Go to end 33	Visitors satisfied 32	Serve visitors 31	30 	You have dropped the food. Start again 29
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PLAY THE GAME

You have collected all items. Go to 31
28



22 Meat well done. go to 23	23 Look for female goat	 24	Milk goat 25	Goat kicked milk over. Go back to 25 26 	27 Prepare curds
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21
Burnt meat. go back to 13

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20 Prepare calf	19 Calf ran away Go back to 13	18	 17 Found good calf. Go to 20	 16	 15 Calf too thin. Go back to 13
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14


Grind flour. Miss next turn  8	9	Bake bread 10	11 Burnt bread. Go back to 8	Bread perfect Move to 13  12	Look for calf 13
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SERVE THE MESSENGERS

Bring water to wash their feet. 6	 Visitors rest under tree 5	He runs to greet them 4	Avraham sees three messengers 3	Avraham at entrance of tent  2	START  1
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HOW TO PLAY THE GAME

1. You will need:

- dice
- a different colour or shape token or button for each player

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2. Who begins?

- Take turns, clockwise, to roll the dice.
- The player with the highest score starts the game.

3. Playing the game:

- The player with the highest score starts.
- Roll the dice.
- Move your token by the amount on the dice.
- Follow the instructions on the square you land on.
- Hand the dice to the player on your left side.
- Take turns until someone lands on 34.
- The winner is the person who lands on 34 first.
- You need the exact number to be able to end.

Example: If your token is on 31, you will need to roll 3 to finish. If you roll more than the amount you need, you do not move your token but wait for your next turn to try again.

CREATE A MODEL

Avraham sitting at the entrance of his tent during the heat of the day.

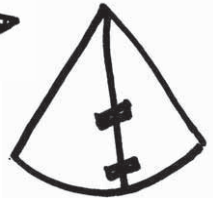
1. Cut out the tent piece and make a cut along the dotted lines. This will be the entrance of the tent.



2. Decorate and colour the tent.



3. Fold the longer straight side slightly over the short straight side and tape together.



4. Now make two folds from the dotted line, to open the tent.



5. Put the tent on a sheet of green or brown cardboard.

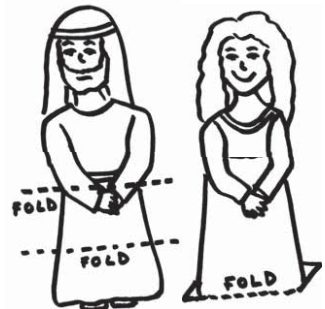
6. Colour the rectangle and fold slightly to form a chair for Avraham.



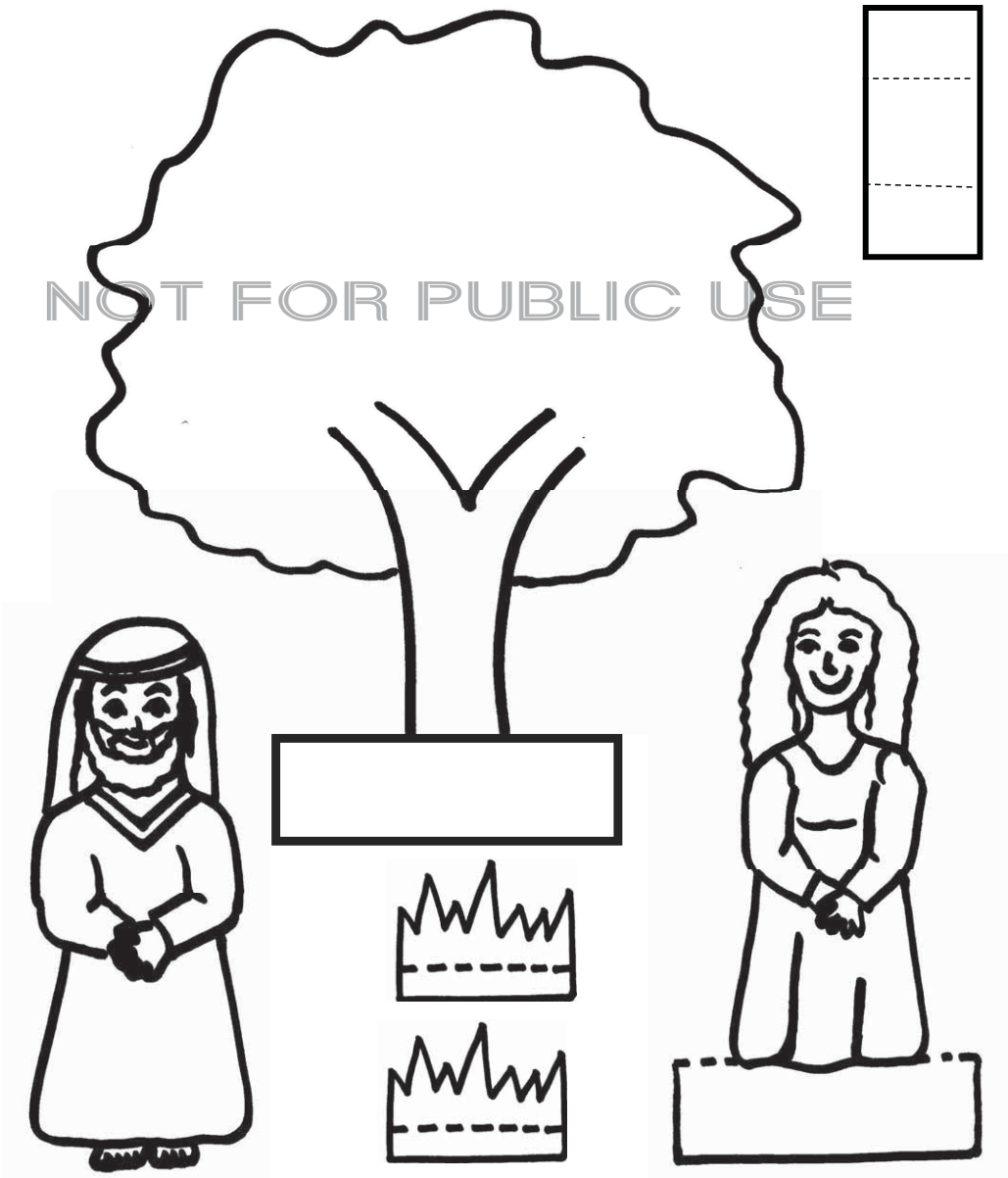
7. Colour and cut out the pictures of Avraham and Sarah.

8. Make a fold on the dotted line at the feet of Sarah and make her stand inside the tent.

9. Make a fold in the middle of Avraham to make him sit. Make another fold to bend his knees and put him on the chair by the entrance of the tent.



PICTURES FOR YOUR MODEL



MORE PICTURES FOR YOUR MODEL

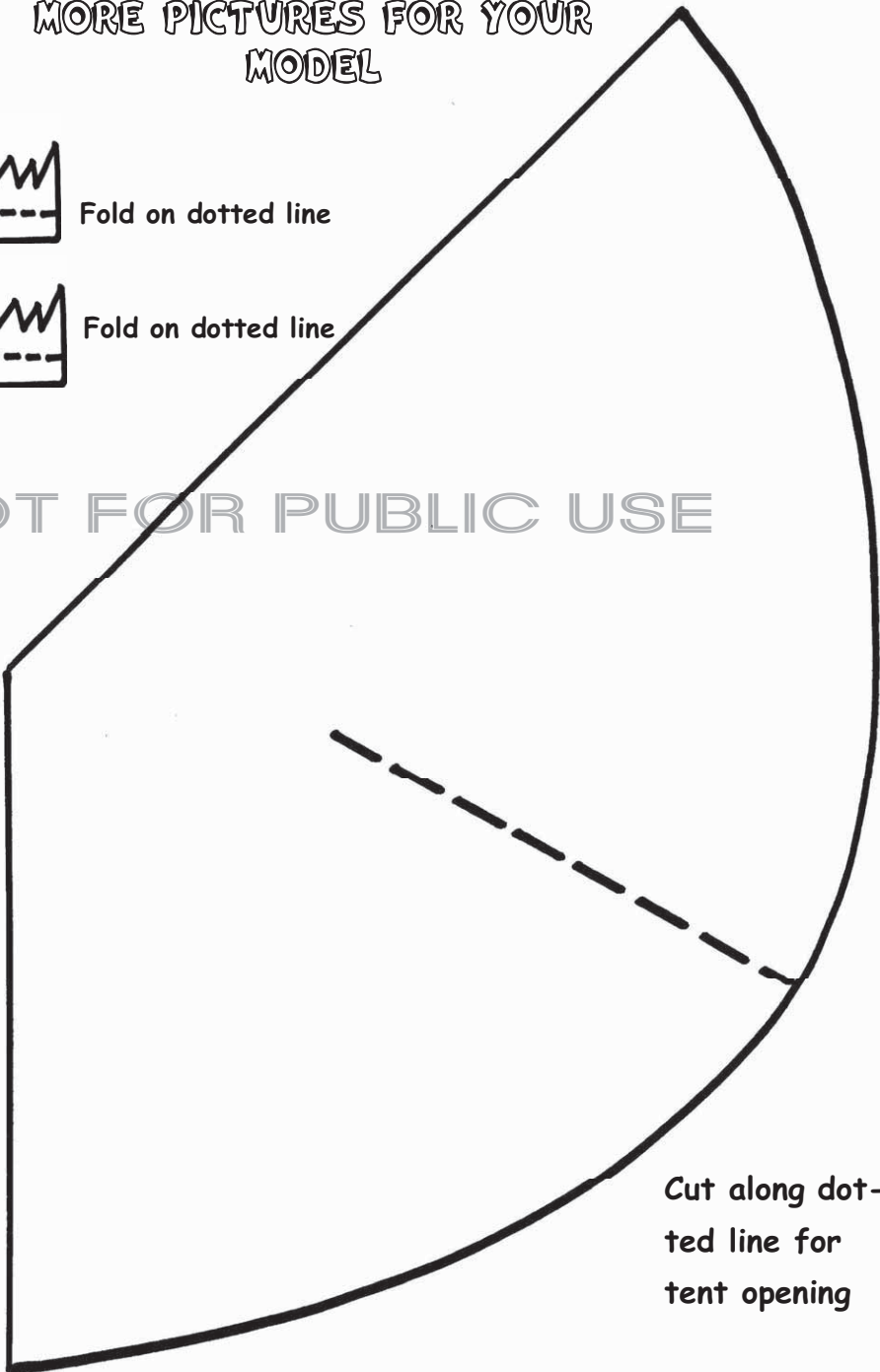


Fold on dotted line



Fold on dotted line

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Cut along dotted line for tent opening

10. Colour and cut out the trees and plants and glue them onto the brown / green cardboard.

Example layout of the model



CROSSWORD PUZZLE CLUES



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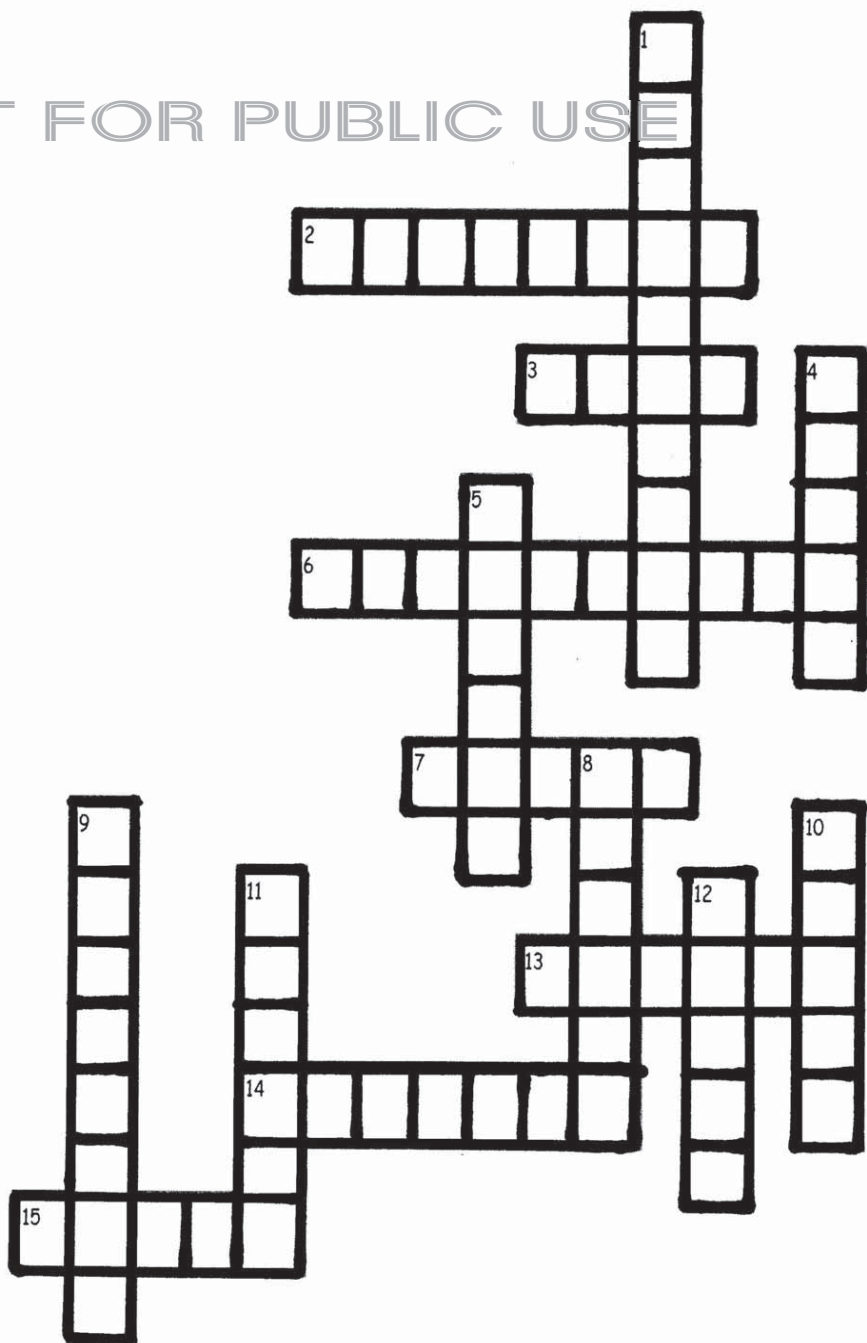
ACROSS

2. Avraham's first son
3. Avraham brought water to wash their _.
6. YHWH made a covenant with Avram when the was _ years old
7. Sarah's name before it was changed
13. Avraham means _ of many nations
14. Sarah did this when she heard that she would have a son.
15. Avraham lived in a tent by the terebinth trees of _.

DOWN

1. Some of Avraham's descendants would become _.
4. Avraham ran to the visitors and he _ down.
5. The land promised to Avraham and his descendants
8. Sarah denied laughing because she was _.
9. Sarah's son
10. Avraham told this person to kneed three measures of flour to make cakes.
11. Yishma'el would become the father of _ princes
12. Avraham saw _ men standing opposite him

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AVRAHAM PLEADS FOR SEDOM

After Avraham's visitors had eaten, they looked toward Sedom and prepared to leave. Avraham walked with them some distance and YHWH said: "Avraham is certainly going to become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him. Shall I hide from him what I am about to do? I know him. He commands his children and his family to obey YHWH. He teaches them to do what is right."

Then YHWH said: "There is a great outcry against Sedom and Amorah because of their sin. I am going there now to see if they are guilty or not."

The men left and went toward Sedom, but YHWH stayed with Avraham.

Avraham came closer and said: "Will You destroy the righteous people with the guilty ones? Suppose there are fifty righteous people in the city. Would You not spare the city for them? Do not consider killing the righteous with the guilty. Should the judge of all the earth not do right?"

"If I find fifty righteous people in Sedom, I will spare the city for their sakes," YHWH answered.

Then Avraham said: "Look, please, I who am only dust and ashes have taken it upon myself to speak to YHWH.

Suppose there are forty-five righteous, would you destroy the whole city because there are five short?"

And YHWH answered: "If I find forty-five there, I will spare the city."

"What if You find forty?" Avraham asked.

"I will not do it if I find forty," He answered.

"Please do not be angry if I speak again," Avraham said.

"What if there are thirty?"

And YHWH answered: "I will not do it if there are thirty."

Then Avraham said: "Please let me speak again. What if there are twenty?"

"I will not destroy it for the sake of twenty," He answered.

And Avraham said: "Please do not be angry and let me speak one more time. What if You find ten?"

"For the sake of ten I will not destroy it," YHWH answered.

Then YHWH went away while Avraham returned home.

QUESTIONS

1. How many times did Avraham plead for Sedom? Circle the correct answer.

A) Five times

B) Six times

C) Seven times

2. Complete:

_____ is certainly going to become a _____ and _____ nation and all the nations of the earth shall be _____ in him. I _____ him. He commands his _____ and his _____ to _____ YHWH. He teaches them to do what is _____.

3. Why was there a great outcry against Sedom?

4. When Avraham started pleading for Sedom he asked YHWH if He would destroy the city if he found _____ righteous people there.

5. When Avraham made his final plea for Sedom he asked YHWH if He would spare the city if He found _____ righteous people there.

SEDOM AND AMORAH

The two messengers left Avraham and arrived at Sedom in the evening. Lot, who was sitting at the gate of the city, saw them and he stood up to meet them. He bowed before them and asked them to come to his house, where they could wash their feet and spend the night. But they said to him: "No, we shall spend the night in the open square." But Lot insisted until they went with him.

He prepared a feast and baked unleavened bread for them, and they ate the food he prepared.

Before they could go to bed, the wicked men of the city arrived. Old and young men, and all the people from every part of the city came and surrounded the house.

They called to Lot and asked: "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us so we can know them."

Lot went out to them and shut the door behind him. And he said to them: "Please my brothers, don't do evil. Look, I have two unmarried daughters. I will send them out to you, but do not harm these men because they came to me and are now my responsibility."

But they said: "Stand back! This man came to live here as a stranger and now he wants to be the judge.



Now we shall treat you worse than them.” They pushed Lot back and moved towards the door, to break it down. But the messengers

reached out and pulled Lot into the house and shut the door. They blinded all the wicked men so they could not find the door.

Then the messengers said to Lot: "Do you have anyone else here? A son-in-law and your sons and daughters, and whomever you have in this city, bring them out of this place! YHWH has sent us here to destroy this city because the outcry against these people became so great."

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Lot went to his sons-in-law and said to them: "Get up and leave this place, because YHWH is going to destroy this city!" but they did not believe him and thought that he was joking.

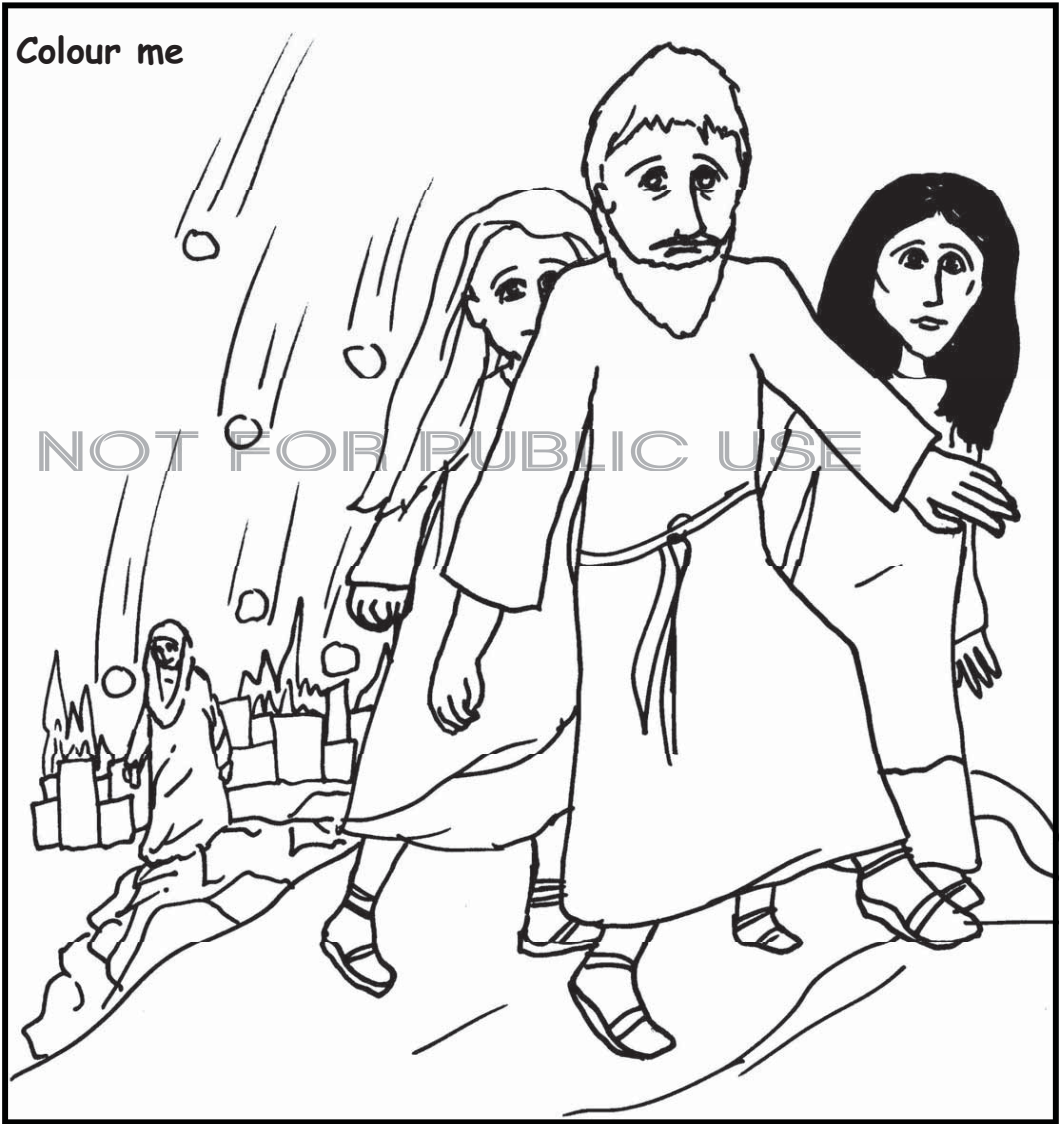
When it became morning, the messengers urged Lot on and told him to hurry. They said to him: "Get up, take your wife and your two daughters who are here with you and go, or you will be caught in the punishment of the city."

But Lot hesitated, so the messengers took hold of his hand, and the hands of his wife and daughters and led them out of the city because YHWH had compassion on them. Then the messengers said to them: "Flee for your lives. Do not look behind you and do not stay anywhere in the plain. Escape to the mountains!"

And Lot said to them: "Oh no! YHWH please, you have been good to me and have shown me your love by saving my life, but I am not able to escape to the mountains! Disaster will come over me and I will die. Please let me flee to the small city that is close by and I will survive."

"I will allow you to flee there and will not destroy it, but hurry,

Colour me



because I cannot do anything until you arrive there, he answered.”
Because of this the city was called Tsoar.

At sunrise Lot entered Tsoar, but his wife disobeyed and looked back. Then she turned into a pillar of salt.

As soon as Lot entered Tsoar, YHWH rained down sulphur and fire upon Sedom and Amorah from YHWH out of the heavens. He destroyed the cities, the plain and all the people living there, as well as everything that grew on the ground.

Early in the morning Avraham rose up and went to the place where he stood before YHWH. He looked toward Sedom and Amorah and the area of the plain and saw the smoke rising like the smoke of a furnace.

But when Elohim destroyed the cities of the plain, He remembered Avraham and sent Lot to safety before destroying the cities where he dwelt.

Lot and his daughters went to live in the mountains because Lot was afraid to stay in Tsoar.

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TRUE OR FALSE

1. The sons-in-law of Lot believed him when he told them that YHWH was going to destroy Sedom. _____
2. YHWH had compassion on Lot. _____
3. Lot and his wife and daughters left Sedom at night time. _____
4. Lot had two unmarried daughters. _____

UNSCRAMBLE

Unscramble the letters to find the answers to the questions.

1. Which two cities were destroyed together with the surrounding plains?

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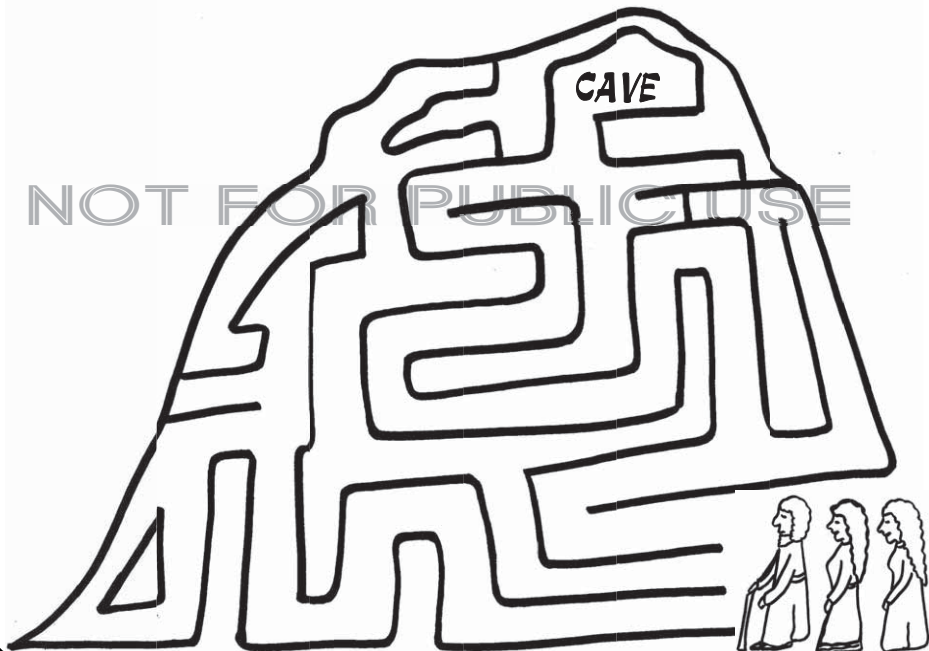
2. The messengers wanted to spend the night in the

NPOE EAQSUR

3. Lot and his family were told to flee to the

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**HELP LOT AND HIS DAUGHTERS TO FIND A
SAFE PLACE TO LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS**



SOLVE

Which city did Lot and his family flee to? _ _ _ _ _



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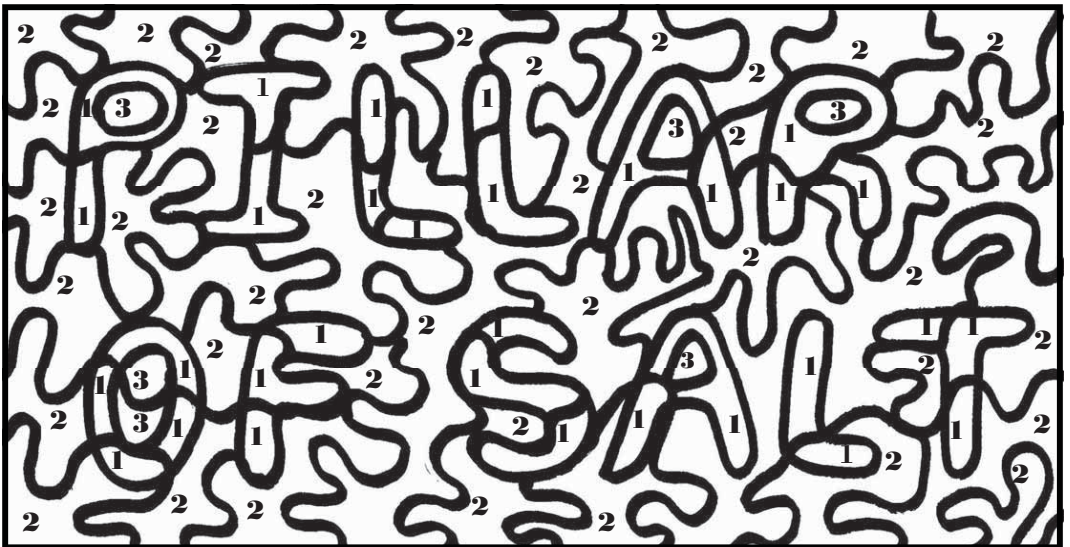
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COLOUR THE PUZZLE

What did Lot's wife turn into? To find out, colour the puzzle using the key.

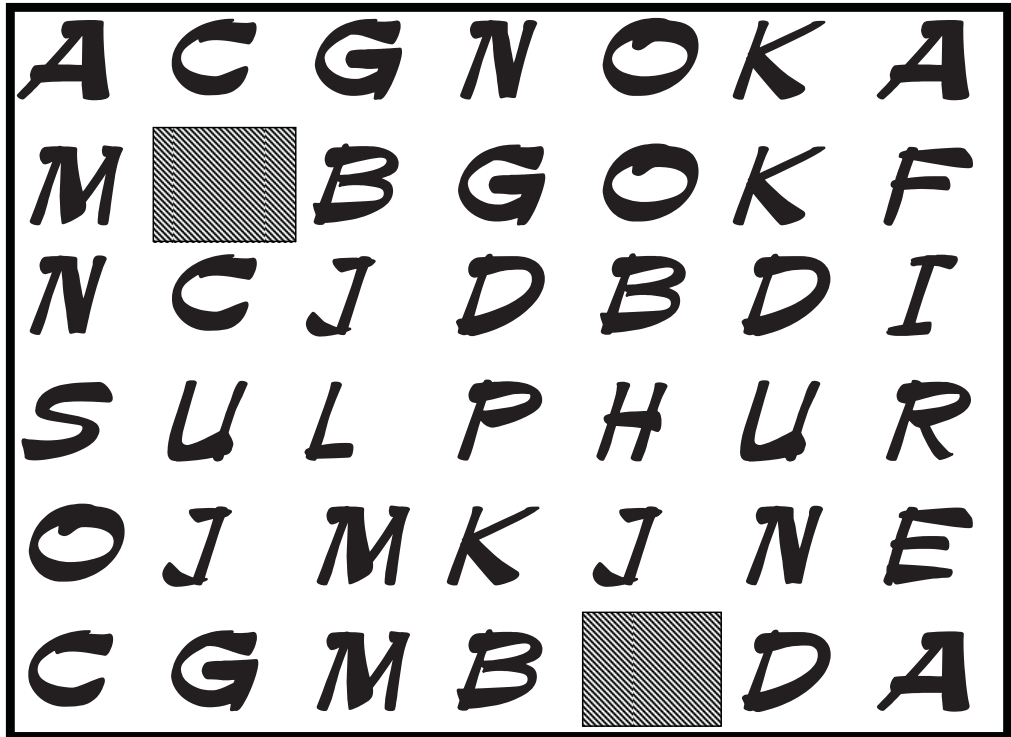
KEY

1 = white 2 = red 3 = black



PUZZLE

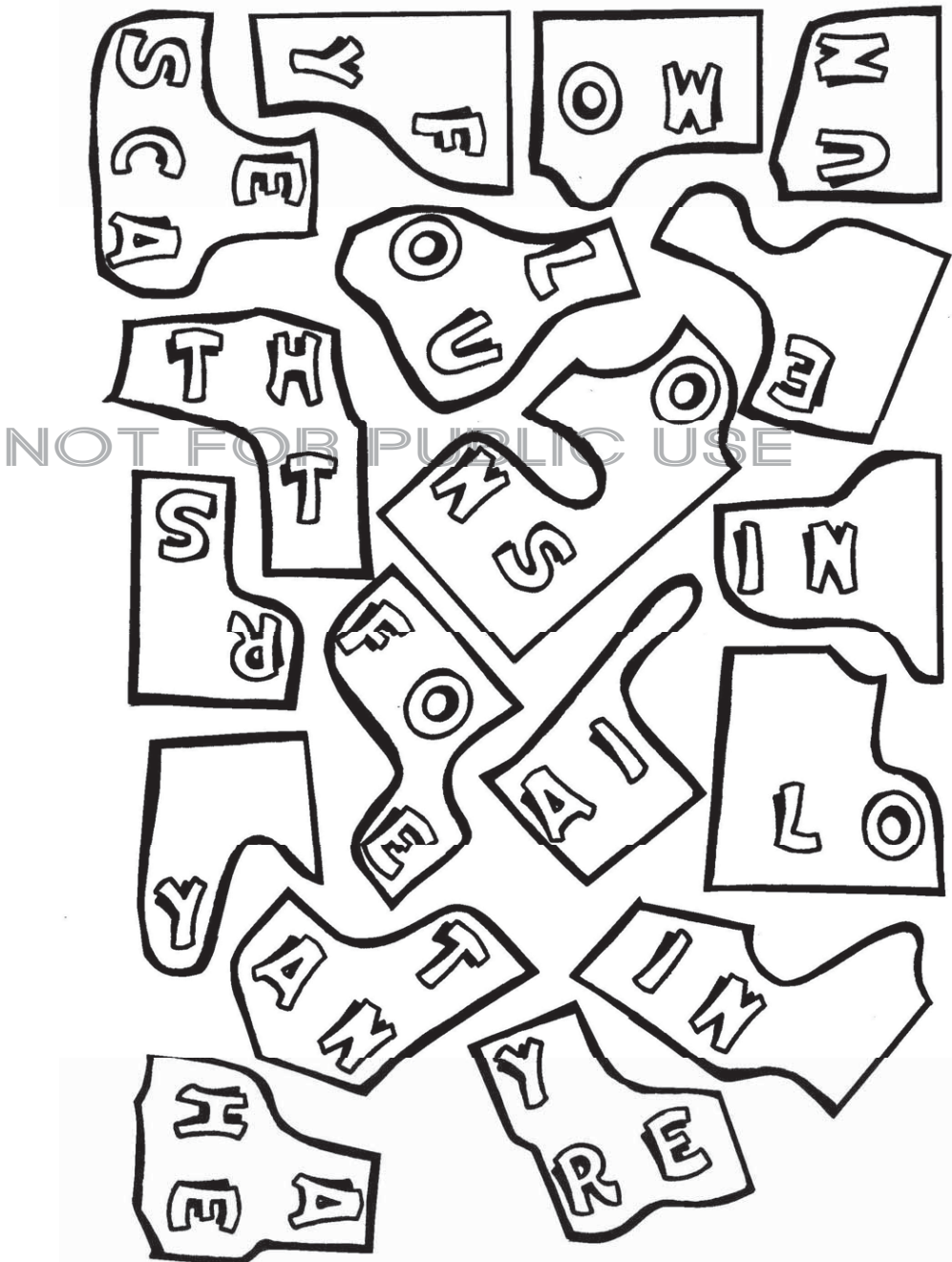
What did YHWH rain down on Sedom and Amarah? Scratch out all letters that appear 3 times. The remaining letters will form the answer.



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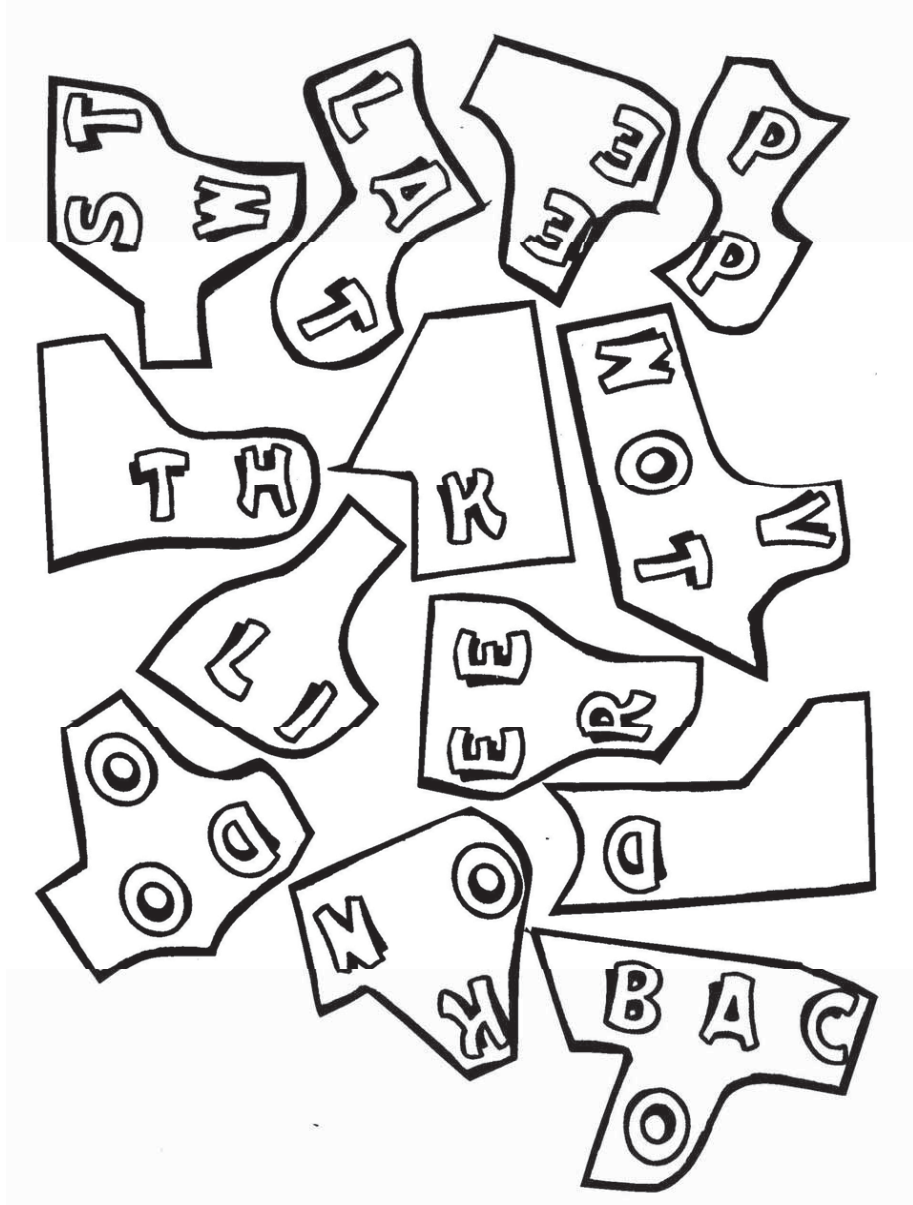
SOLVE THE MYSTERY

Carefully cut out the puzzle pieces on the next two pages and build the jigsaw puzzle to find out what instructions the messengers gave Lot and his family after they brought them out of Sedom.



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More puzzle pieces



QUESTIONS

1. What time of the day did the messengers arrive at Sedom?

2. What happened before they could go to bed? _____

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3. What did the wicked people say when Lot did not want them to harm the messengers? They Said: " _____ .

This man came to live here as a _____ and now he wants to be the _____. Now we shall _____

_____ .

4. What did the messengers do when the men pushed Lot back to get to the door? They _____

_____ .

5. Why did Lot's wife turn into a pillar of salt?

6. What did Avraham see when he went to the place where he pleaded with YHWH? He saw _____

WRITE A LETTER

Pretend you are Lot or one of his daughters. Write a letter to your uncle Avraham. Tell him that you are safe and explain to him what happened since the messengers came to your house

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AVRAHAM CALLS SARAH HIS SISTER

Avraham and his family left the terebinth trees of Mamre and went to live in Gerar. Avraham told the people there that Sarah was his sister, so Avimelech, the sovereign of Gerar, asked that Sarah be brought to him.

But one night, Avimelech had a dream. In His dream YHWH told him that he would die because he took another man's wife.

Avimelech did not take Sarah as his wife yet, so he said: "YHWH, will You also kill a righteous nation? Did Avraham not tell me that she was his sister, and she said that he was her brother? I did this with a clear conscience and I am innocent."

And Elohim said to him: "Yes, I know that you did it with a clear conscience, so I prevented you from sinning against Me. That is why I did not let you touch her. This man is a prophet. Give him back his wife and let him pray for you. Then you will live. But if you do not give her back to him, you and all yours will die."

Early the next morning Avimelech called his servants. He told them about his dream and they became very scared.

Then Avimelech called Avraham and said to him: "What have you done to us? What have I done to you that you brought this great sin over me and my people? You should not have done this to me. Why did you do it?"

I thought that the people in this place do not fear Elohim and that they would kill me to take my wife," Avraham answered. "She also

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COLOUR

really is my sister. She is my father's daughter, but not my mother's, and she became my wife. When Elohim made me leave my father's house, I asked her to show her love for me this way. I have told her, that wherever we go, she should tell the people that I am her brother."

Then Avimelech gave Avraham a thousand pieces of silver and he took sheep and cattle, and male and female servants and gave them to Avraham. He also gave Sarah, his wife, back to him. Then he said to Avraham: " You can live anywhere you want in my land." **NOT FOR PUBLIC USE**

YHWH did not allow Avimelech's wife and his female servants to have children, because Avimelech took Avraham's wife. Avraham Prayed to Elohim, and Elohim healed Avimelech, his wife and his female servants, so that they could have children.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

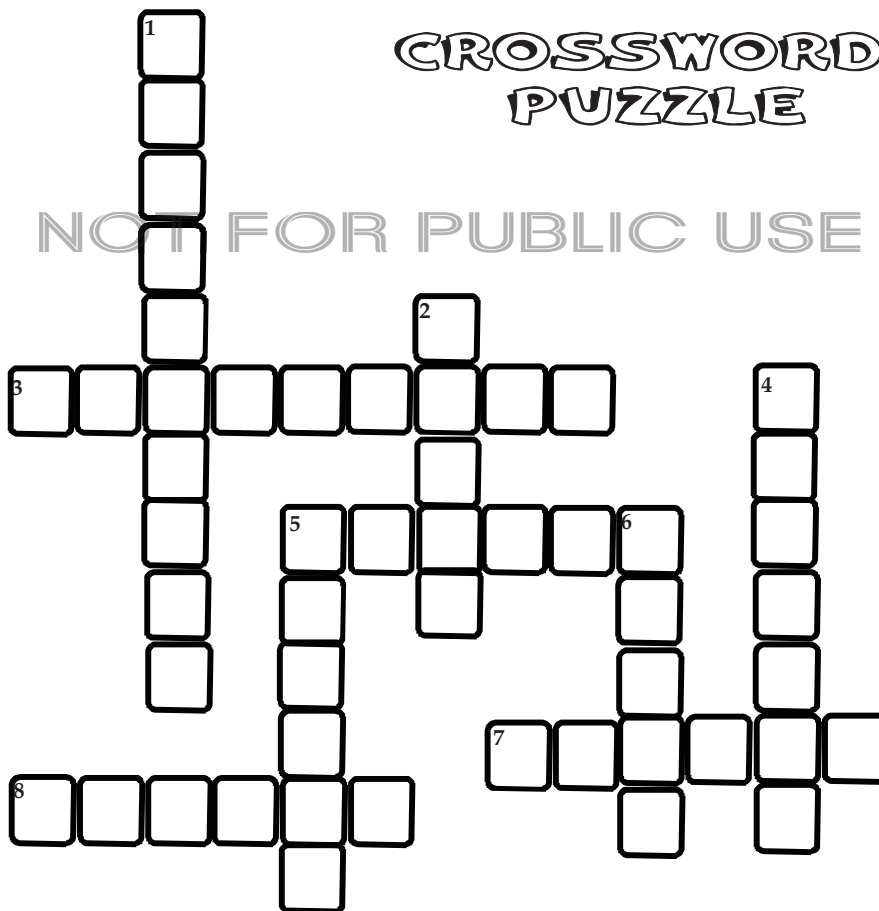
Use the clues to complete the crossword puzzle on page 101

ACROSS

3. Sovereign of Gerar
5. Avimelech's servants felt this way when he told them about his dream.
7. Avimelech, his wife and servant girls were healed after Avraham did this.
8. Avraham told the people that Sarah was his ____.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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DOWN

1. YHWH prevented Avimelech to sin because he had a clear ____.
2. Place where Avraham went to live.
4. Avraham was a ____
5. Avimelech gave Avraham a thousand pieces of this.
6. YHWH spoke to Avimelech in a ____.

QUESTIONS

1. Did Avraham tell a lie when he said that Sarah was his sister?

2. Why did Avraham say that Sarah was his sister?

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3. What would happen to Avimelech if he did not return Avraham's wife? _____

4. What gifts did Avimelech give Avraham?

5. Why could Avimelech, his wife and his female servants not have children? _____

THE BIRTH OF YITSCHAQ

YHWH kept His promise to Avraham and Sarah became pregnant. When Avraham was hundred years old, their baby boy was born. And Sarah said: "Who would have thought that I would have a baby at my age? "Elohim has made me laugh and everyone who hears of it laughs with me." So they named the baby Yitschaq, which means laughter.

Avraham circumcised Yitschaq when he was eight days old, as Elohim had commanded him.



The little boy grew and Avraham gave a great feast when he was weaned. Sarah looked at the boys and saw that Yishma'el, Hagar's son, was making fun of Yitschaq, so she said to Avraham: "Send this female servant and her son away because her son will not share my son's inheritance."

This was not right in the eyes of Avraham because Yishma'el was also his son. But Elohim said to him: "Do not be upset because of this. Listen to Sarah and do what she asks because Yitschaq is the one that is called. I will also make a nation of Hagar's son, because he is your child."

Early the next morning Avraham took bread and a skin of water and put it on Hagar's shoulders. Then he sent her away with Yishma'el.

They wandered through the desert of Be'ersheva and when the water in the skin was used up, Hagar left her son under one of the shrubs. Then she went and sat down some distance away from him and wept, because she could not bear to see her son dying.

Elohim heard the voice of Yishma'el and the messenger of Elohim called to Hagar from the heavens and said to her: "What is wrong Hagar? Do not be afraid. Elohim has heard the voice of the boy. Go to him and lift him up, because I will make a great nation of him."

Then Elohim showed her a well of water. She went and filled the skin with water and brought it to Yishma'el so he could drink.

COLOUR ME

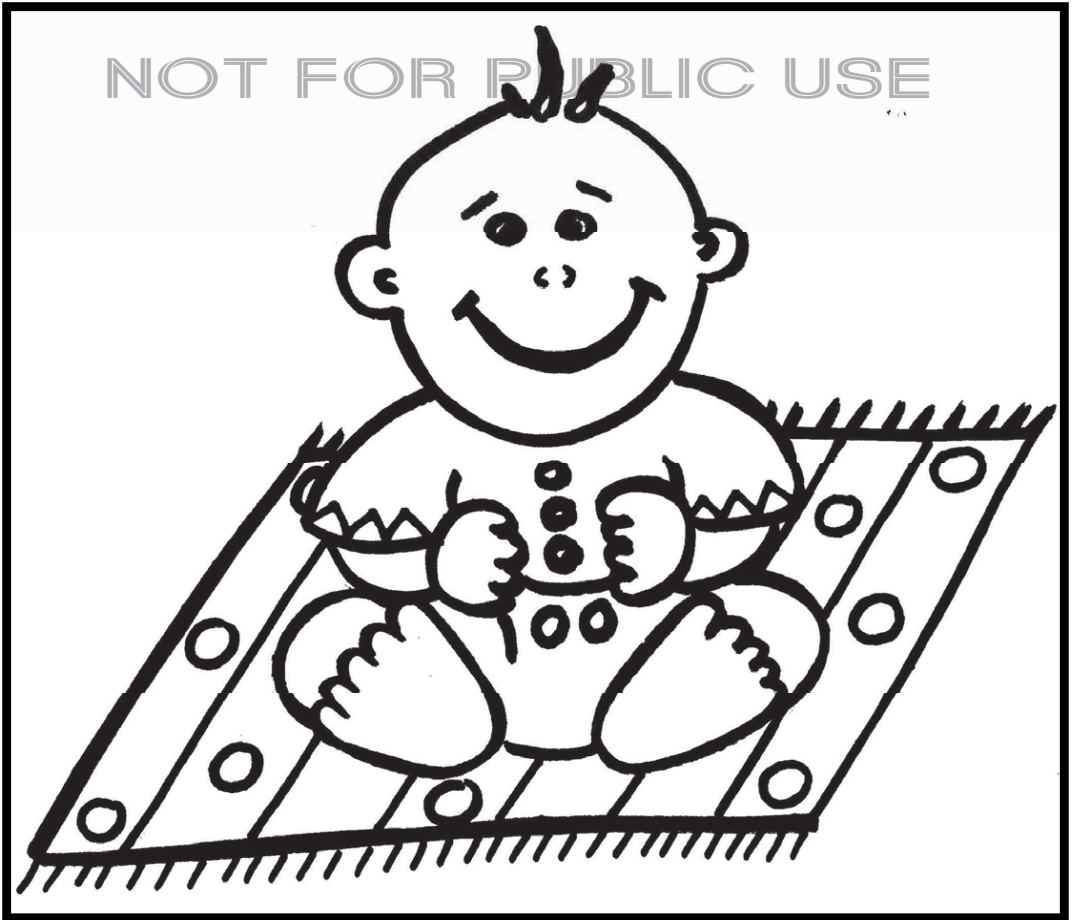




Elohim was with Yishmael. He grew up and lived in the desert of Paran, and became an archer. Later he married a girl from Mitsrayim.

FIND

How old was Avraham when Yitschaq was born? Find his age in the picture and use a yellow crayon or colouring pencil to colour the area around his age. Now use any other colours to colour the rest of the picture.



MATCH THE COLUMN

Draw a line from the word in the column on the left, to its match in the column on the right. Use a different colour for each line.

- | | |
|--------------|-------------------|
| 1. Sarah | desert |
| 2. Yishma'el | Yishma'el |
| 3. Archer | Yitschaq |
| 4. Laughter | Paran |
| 5. Beersheva | Yitschaq's mother |

QUESTIONS

1. What did Sarah do when she saw Yishma'el making fun of Yitschaq?

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2. How did Avraham feel about that?

3. What did Elohim say about it?

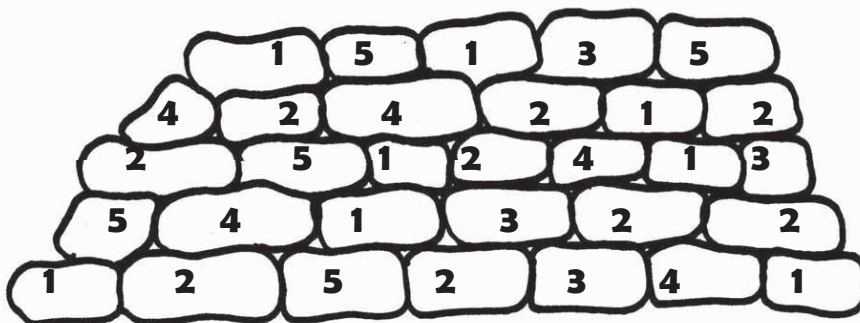
The messenger of YHWH spoke to Avraham again and said:
 "Because you have done this, and have not withheld your only son,
 YHWH has sworn to Himself to bless you and make your
 descendants as many as the stars in the sky and as the sand on
 the seashore. Your descendants will take over the gates of their
 enemies. All the nations of the earth shall be blessed through your
 descendants, because you have obeyed My voice."

Then Avraham and Yitschaq went back to the servants and they
 returned to Be'ersheva.

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FIND THE RAM

Avraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Help him to
 reach the ram for the sacrifice. The only route that will lead
 there adds up to 23 and he must step on only one rock per level.



COMPLETE

1. Elohim said to Avraham: "Take your _____, your only _____, whom you love, and go to the land of _____. There you must _____ him as a _____ on a _____ that I will show you.
2. Yitschaq said to Avraham: "Father, here is the _____ and the _____, but where is the _____ for the offering?"
My son, _____ will provide the _____ for the offering," Avraham replied.
3. When Avraham stretched out his hand to kill his son, the messenger of YHWH said to him: "Do not _____ the boy, because now I know that you _____. You have not withheld your _____ from Me."

UNSCRAMBLE

To find out what did Avraham saw in the bush, unscramble the words and put them in the correct order.

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MEMORY VERSE

Bereshith 22:17-18

"I shall certainly bless you, and I shall certainly increase your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore, and let your seed possess the gate of their enemies.

And in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

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What did Avraham call the place where he saw the ram with its horns caught in the bush, and what does this name mean?

Use the key to find the answer.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
E	H	I	R	W	Y	P	O	V	D	S

6 2 5 2 6 3 4 1 2 which means 6 2 5 2 7 4 8 9 3 10 1 11

AVRAHAM BUYS LAND

When Sarah was one hundred and twenty seven years old, she died in a place called Qiryath Arba, which is also called Chevron, in the land of Kena'an. Avraham mourned and wept because his wife died.

He went to the sons of Cheth and said to them: "I am a stranger who lives here with you. Please give me a piece of land where I can bury my wife."

"Please listen to us my master. You are a prince of Elohim among us. Bury your wife in the best of our tombs. None of us would refuse you his tomb," they answered.

Avraham bowed before them and said: "Please talk to Ephron the son of Tsochar for me. Ask him to let me have the cave at the edge of his field at Machpelah. I will pay him the full price for a burial-site."

"No my master! I shall give you the field and the cave. I shall give it to you in the presence of my people. Bury your wife!" Ephron replied.

But Avraham bowed himself down before the people of the land and said to Ephron: "Please listen to me. I shall pay the price for the field. Please accept the silver from me."

Then Ephron said to him: "My master, listen to me! The land is worth four hundred sheqels of silver. What is that between you and me? So bury your dead."

The sons of Cheth watched Avraham weighing out the amount of silver and buying the field at Machpela, from Ephron. Avraham then owned the field with the cave which was in it, and all the trees that were in this field.

He buried Sarah there in the cave of Machpela, which was now his own burial site.

And YHWH blessed Avraham in every way.

CHARACTER TRAITS

What kind of man was Avraham? Support your answer with reasons or examples from everything you have learnt about him.

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WHO AM I

Write down the correct name from the box next to the statement.



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1. Son of Tshochar _____
2. Died at age 127 _____
3. Called a prince of Elohim _____
4. Died at Qiryath Arba _____
5. Sold a field with a cave _____
6. Paid 400 shequels of silver for a field _____
7. Buried in a cave in Machpela _____
8. Bought a burial site in Machpela _____
9. Bowed before the sons of Chet _____
10. Blessed by YHWH in every way _____

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. What is the meaning of the words El Shaddai?

2. When Avraham was 99 years old YHWH said to him: " I am _____ . Walk before Me and be _____ ."
3. YHWH changed the name of Avram to _____ .
4. YHWH promised to give the whole land of _____ to Avraham and his descendants.
5. What is the meaning of the name Avraham? _____

6. Sarai's name was changed to _____ .
7. What did Avraham do when Elohim told him that he and Saraah would have a son? _____

8. How old was Avraham when Elohim promised him a son? _____
9. Elohim told Avraham that Yishma'el would be the father of _____ princes.
10. With which son of Avraham did Elohim make his covenant?

11. Who appeared to Avraham when he lived in a tent by the terebinth trees of Mamre? _____
12. Avraham sat at the entrance of his tent and saw three men standing opposite him. What did he do when he saw them?

13. What food did Avraham serve to the three visitors?

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14. What did Sarah do when the messenger said that she and Avraham would have a son? _____

15. Why did Sarah deny laughing? _____

16. Name two cities that YHWH planned to destroy because of the great outcry against them. _____ and _____

17. Who pleaded for the people in these cities? _____

18. Would YHWH destroy Sedom if He found ten righteous people in the city? _____

19. Which relative of Avraham lived in Sedom?

20. What time of day did the two messengers arrive in Sedom?

21. Where did the messengers plan to spend the night?

22. Who insisted that they spend the night at his house? _____

23. What happened before they could go to bed?

24. What did the messengers do when the wicked men pushed lot back and moved towards the door to break it down?

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25. Why couldn't the wicked men find the door?

26. Did Lot's sons-in-law believe him when he told them that YHWH was going to destroy the city? _____

27. Why did the messengers take hold of the hands of Lot, his wife and daughters and led them out of the city?

28. What time of day did Lot and his wife and daughters leave Sedom? _____

29. What did the messengers tell them to do? They said to them "_____ for your lives. Do not _____ and do not stay anywhere in the _____. Escape to the _____.

30. Lot pleaded with the messengers to allow them to flee to a small city called _____ that was close by.

31. Who disobeyed the order of the messenger and looked back?

32. What was her punishment? _____
