

Limud Sefer Hamitzvos

There is no need to elaborate on how much it means to the Rebbe that every man, woman and child study the daily portion of the Rambam.

To help show our children the value of the Rebbe's instructions, Tzivos Hashem has prepared a series of workbooks, explaining each Mitzvah, its source in the Torah, as well as the reason for the Mitzvah.

The 613 mitzvahs are to be completed over a 4 year period, from 5th through 8th grade, by learning approximately 150 mitzvos per year.

Most of the schools have made this Limud a regular school subject, the same as learning Chumash, Halacha and Mishna.

It is our sincere hope that this Limud will ensure that each child in our care will have a clear understanding of all 613 Mitzvahs of the Torah as enumerated by the Rambam, so that for the rest of their lives, when they study the daily shiur of Rambam, they will be able to comprehend it properly.

Limud Schedule 5766

| The learning program | Sefer | Mitzvah | Ending |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| will begin right after | Shoftim | 1-6 | 2 Cheshvan |
| Tishrei and continue | Shoftim | 7-12 | 9 Cheshvan |
| until the 12th of | Shoftim | 13-18 | 16 Cheshvan |
| Shevat, with a breake | Shoftim | 19-24 | 23 Cheshvan |
| for Chanukah to be | Shoftim | 25-30 | 1 Kislev |
| able to focus on inyonei deyoma. | Shoftim | 31-36 | 8 Kislev |
| | Shoftim | 37-42 | 15 Kislev |
| We will learn one | Break from 17 Kislev until 6 Teves | | |
| Mitzva a day or six | Shoftim | 43-48 | 13 Teves |
| mitzvos a week. | Shoftim | 49-54 | 20 Teves |
| It is estimated to take | Shoftim | 55-60 | 27 Teves |
| approximately 20 | Shoftim | 61-67 | 5 Shevat |
| minutes a mitzvah. | Shoftim | 68-74 | 12 Shevat |
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Please plan 20 minutes a day (a total of 2 hours a week) into your schedule for this subject.

Student's Workbook

The students workbooks explain each Mitzvah, its source in the Torah, as well as a number of details regarding the Mitzvah. There are also review questions for homework to ensure that the students master the material.

Order

Student Workbooks:

Sefer Shoftim \$8

To order books please download the order form from our web site and fax it back by Rosh Hashona 5766.

Join the S.H. Advantage Club

You will recive:

Teachers guide Biweekly quizzes Achievement Cards / Raffle Merit Awards \$4 per child (\$100 minimum per school)

Teachers Guide

In addition to the students workbook, we are publishing a teachers guide, that will: a. Elaborate on each mitzvah giving the teachers the additional background to help teach the mitzvah. b. Help with pointers of ways to teach each mitzvah.

Biweekly Quizzes on 2 Tracks

In order to encourage ALL the children to learn and know all the 613 Mitzvos we will be making biweekly quizzes.

The tests will be written on two tracks, an easier track and a harder track. Each child can decide which track he/she wants to take.

A child in a day school who wants to compete with the kids in a yeshiva school can do so, and a child in a yeshiva school who can not handle the hard track will be able to take the easy track.

These Quizzes are to be given as all school tests with marks applied to school report cards, etc.

| Quiz Date | Sefer | Mitzvos |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| 8 Cheshvon | Shoftim | 1-9 |
| 19 Cheshvon | Shoftim | 10-18 |
| 4 Kislev | Shoftim | 19-30 |
| 18 kislev | Shoftim | 31-42 |
| 16 Teves | Shoftim | 43-51 |
| 2 Shevat | Shoftim | 52-61 |
| 15 Shevat | Shoftim | 62-74 |
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Achievement Cards & Raffles

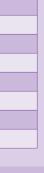
For each test the child passes they will receive additional Achievement Cards. Each card will be another chance for in the monthly raffle.

| Grade | 1 Card | 2 Card |
|-------|--------|--------|
| 5th | 70% | 80% |
| 6th | 75% | 85% |
| 7th | 80% | 90% |
| 8th | 85% | 95% |

Merit Award

Any child that recives a passing mark* on all the biweekly guizzes, will recive the Chidon Sefer Hamitzvos Merit Award.

*5th grade 70% 6th Grade 75% 7th Grade 80% 8th Grade 85%





Teachers Forum

On the online teacher's forum, teachers world over discuss tests and curriculum. It is imperative that all who are involved in teaching the material participate in this forum.

While much work has gone into producing these volumes to a high standard, your feedback and comments are not only welcome but imperative for future improved editions.

If you are not able to go online, please get a representative from your school to post your comments.

Thank You

Thanks to Rabbi Yerachmiel Benjaminson for his commitment to this project. Without him it would never be possible.

We would like to express our tremendous appreciation to Rabbi Eliezer Wenger for the hundreds of hours of research, writing and editing that he has put into this incredible curriculum. As you learn, you will see what an incredible job he has done. We would also like to thank Rabbi Ephraim Rosenblum, Rabbi Yossi Rosenblum, Rabbi Meir Schneiur & Rabbi Yiitzchok Zirkind who dedicated many hours editing and fine tuning the curriculum.

Special thanks to the Staff of Tzivos Hashem & the Chidon Vaad Members Rabbi Hershel Lustig & Rabbi Zalmen Leib Markowitz for the long hours on conference calls & for always being there when needed.

Finally we would like to thank all the participating schools with out whom this project would never be possible.

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BOYS CHIDON will be on:

5th - 8th Grade

Sefer Shoftim Mitzvos 1-75 6th - 8th Grade Sefer Kinyan Mitzvos 1-18 7th & 8th Grade Sefer Nezikin Mitzvos 1-36

Test 1 - 12 Teves

6th grade - Sefer Kinyan 1- 18 7th & 8th Grade - Sefer Kinyan & Nezikin

Test 2 - 26 Teves

5th - 8th Grade Shoftim 1-30

Test 3 - 4 Shevat 5th - 8th Grade - Shoftim 31 - 51

Test 4 - 18 Shevat 5th - 8th Grade - Shoftim 52 - 75

Venue

The Boys Chidon will take place IYH in Los Angeles California, From Thursday the to Sunday the of Adar

Chidon Sefer Hamitzvos

To stimulate this study, we have initiated the Chidon Mitzvos.

The students of each school compete for the honor of representing their school in the International Competition.

To help your school choose its representatives, Tzivos Hashem will be administering a series of three tests.

The testing and marking will be done by each individual school.

Chidon Rules

Pesukim: Darga Aleph (5th & 6th Grades) will not be tested on the pesukim.

Darga Beis (7th & 8th grades) will be tested on the pesukim.

The children do not have to memorize all the pesukim by heart; they have to be able to recognize a possuk in a question.

Mitzvah Numbers: The children will not be tested on the number of each mitzvah.

Amount of Finalists: Each school can be represented by a Maximum of six children.

1. You can have only 3 from 5th & 6th Grade and only 3 from 6th & 7th grades.

2. There can be at least one representative from each grade. Therefore there may be no more than two children from each grade

Chidon Covert

There is a \$50 covert for each person who attends - both children and chaperone.

Additional people who attend such as parents or additional children who received over 90% that want to come for the shabbaton, will cost \$100 per person.

The Chidon Covert and the transportation to and from the Chidon are upon the responsibility of the Tzivos Hashem local chapters.

Chidon Policies

The Chidon Mitzvos operates only under the official local Tzivos Hashem Chapters for the Chidon Sefer Hamitzvos as listed below.

Children who want to participate in the Tzivos Hashem Chidon Sefer Hamitzvos must apply only through their local official Tzivos Hashem chapter. They can not be accepted through any other local or national Tzivos Hashem chapters, unless there is no Tzivos Hashem chapter in there area, in which case they can apply to Tzivos Hashem H.Q.

Tzivos Hashem H.Q. leaves the full autonomy to the regional Tzivos Hashem director to administrate tests and mark them, and take care of any issues that come up in his/her region. It is incumbent upon the regional Tzivos Hashem director to ensure that every Jewish child in his/her region is included in the Tzivos Hashem Chidon Sefer Hamitzvos and is dealt with in a proper and fair way!

Tzivos Hashem Chapters for Chidon Sefer Hamitzvos

Tzivos Hashem of Argentina Tzivos Hashem of London England Tzivos Hashem of Manchester England Tzivos Hashem of Paris France Tzivos Hashem of Johannesburg South Africa Tzivos Hashem of Montreal Canada Tzivos Hashem of Tronto Canada Tzivos Hashem of Ottawa Canada Tzivos Hashem of Huntington Beach California Tzivos Hashem of Los Angeles California Tzivos Hashem of S. Diego California Tzivos Hashem of Chicago Illinois Tzivos Hashem of New Haven Connecticut Tzivos Hashem of Margate Florida

Tzivos Hashem of Miami Beach Florida Tzivos Hashem of New Orleans Louisiana Tzivos Hashem of Long Meadow Massachusetts Tzivos Hashem of Worcester Masseuses Tzivos Hashem of Oak Park Michigan Tzivos Hashem of Minnesota Tzivos Hashem of Morristown New Jersey Tzivos Hashem of Brooklyn New York Tzivos Hashem of Lake Grove New York Tzivos Hashem of Pittsburg Pennsylvania Tzivos Hashem of Postville Iowa Tzivos Hashem of Myrtle Beach South Carolina Tzivos Hashem of Houston Texas Tzivos Hashem of Seattle Washington



GIRLS CHIDON will be on:

5th - 8th Grade Sefer Shoftim Mitzvos 1-75 7th & 8th Grade Sefer Kinyan Mitzvos 1-18

Test 1 - 12 Teves 7th & 8th Grade - Sefer Kinyan

Test 2 - 26 Teves

5th - 8th Grade Shoftim 1-30

Test 3 - 4 Shevat

5th - 8th Grade - Shoftim 31 - 51

Test 4 - 18 Shevat 5th - 8th Grade - Shoftim 52 - 75

Venue

The Girls Chidon will take place IYH in From Thursday the to Sunday the of Adar