# ABOUT JEWS

### READER'S NAME

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How much do I know about Jews? a) Lots b) I know Something c) Who are they?

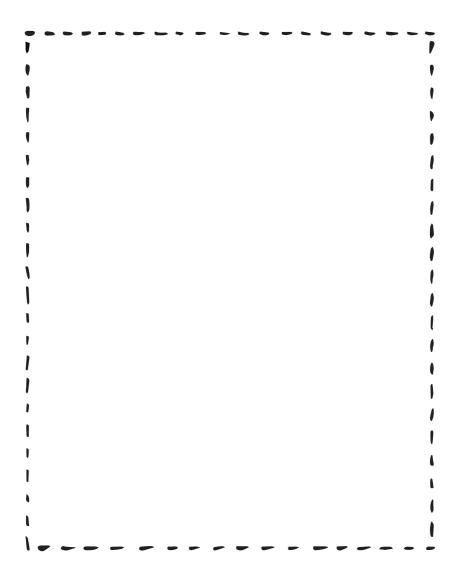
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## **READER'S GUIDE**

- 1. YOU ARE THE CO-AUTHOR OF THIS BOOK!
- 2. Get creative on each page!
- 3. Let your imagination run free!
- 4. Have fun!

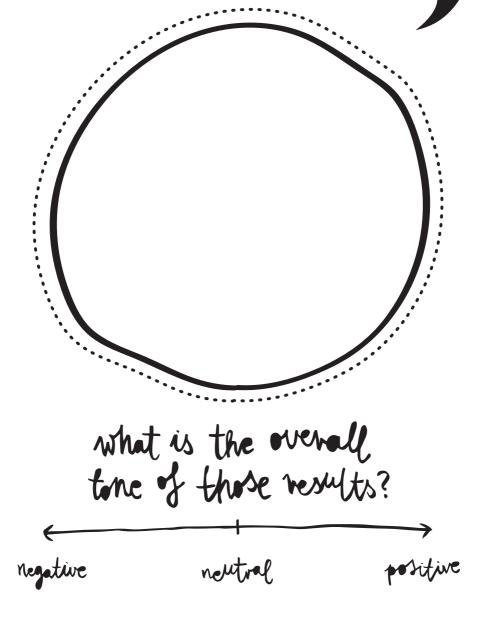
## DRAW A JEW HERE







#### TYPE IN "JEWS" IN A SEARCH ENGINE AND WRITE DOWN THE FIRST 10 SEARCH RESULTS



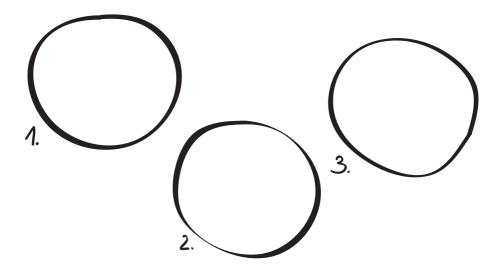
# BINGO!

ASK 5 FRIENDS ABOUT THEIR TOP THREE ASSOCIATIONS WITH JEWS. IF THEIR ANSWER MATCHES ANY OF THE FOLLOWING FIELDS, CROSS THE FIELD OUT.

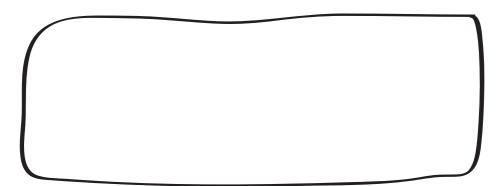
STAR OF DAVID	SOME BOOK OR MOVIE TITLE	ISRAEL, PALESTINE, POLITICS
SIDELOCKS/ SIDECURLS (ALSO: A BEARD, DARK HAIR AND A LONG NOSE)	BINGO!	HOLOCAUST (AUSCHWITZ, HITLER, GERMANS, CONCEN- TRATION CAMPS, WORLD WAR II, GHETTO)
YARMULKE	ANTI-SEMITISM	MONEY (COUNTING MONEY, BEING TIGHT-FISTED)

HOW MANY FIELDS ARE LEFT UNMARKED? 8-9 FIELDS UNMARKED: YOU HANG OUT WITH PEOPLE WHO DO NOT THINK ABOUT JEWS IN A STEREOTYPED WAY; 4-5 FIELDS UNMARKED: THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU BELIEVE FEWER STEREOTYPES ABOUT JEWS THAN MANY ORDINARY POLES; 3 OR LESS FIELDS UNMARKED: UNFORTUNATELY, YOUR FRIENDS THINK ABOUT JEWS IN A STEREOTYPED WAY.

#### WRITE DOWN THREE THINGS YOU CAN LEARN ABOUT JEWS FROM YOUR SCHOOL BOOKS:



WHAT DO YOU THINK: ARE YOUR SCHOOL BOOKS A GOOD SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT JEWS AND JEWISH CULTURE?



PROFESSOR IRENEUSZ KRZEMIŃSKI, A SOCIOLOGIST FROM THE UNIVER-SITY OF WARSAW (POLAND) AND AUTHOR OF A STUDY ON POLES' ATTITUDES TOWARDS JEWS, POINTS OUT THAT IN ORDER TO DISLIKE SOMEONE, PEOPLE NEED TO HAVE SOME SORT OF REASON. WHEN ANALYSING THE REASONS PEOPLE PROVIDE TO JUSTIFY THEIR DISLIKE OF JEWS, HE DISTINGUISHED TWO TYPES OF ANTI-SEMITISM: TRADI-TIONAL AND MODERN. THOSE WHO CLAIM THAT JEWS ARE RESPONSI-BLE FOR KILLING JESUS CHRIST ARE THE OLD-TYPE ANTI-SEMITES. WHILE NEW-TYPE ANTI-SEMITES DISLIKE JEWS ON THE BASIS OF AN IDEOLOGY. FOR INSTANCE, PEOPLE WHO LABEL THEMSELVES 'REAL POLES' ARE CONVINCED THAT JEWS CONTROL FINANCIAL CAPITAL.

> ONE IN FIVE POLES DISLIKES JEWS EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE NEVER MET ANY JEWS AND EVEN THOUGH ONLY 0.02% PEOPLE IN POLAND NOWADAYS HAVE JEWISH ROOTS!!!

#### HOW DO YOU FEEL AFTER READING THIS TEXT? WHY?

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1. According to the traditional interpretation of Jewish Law, Jewish ancestry is inherited from:

- A) THE FATHER
- B) THE MOTHER
- C) BOTH PARENTS

#### 5. A SHTETL IS:

- A) A SMALL JEWISH TOWN
- B) PART OF HASIDIC CLOTHING
- C) A KOSHER RULE

2. Haman's ears (Hamantashen) are:

- A) AN OLD JEWISH CURSE
- B) PASTRIES BAKED FOR THE HOLIDAY OF PURIM
- C) HANDLES ON A JUG USED FOR RITUAL HAND WASHING

3. THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAY IS SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS "THE JEWISH EASTER":

- A) PASSOVER
- B) Hanukkah
- C) SHAVUOT

4. THE JEWISH NEW YEAR, OR Rosh Hashanah, known for shofar (ram's horn) blowing, is celebrated:

- A) in January
- B) IN SPRING
- C) IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER

6. JAN BRZECHWA, A POLISH JEW AND THE AUTHOR OF 'AKADEMIA PANA KLEKSA' (ACADEMY OF MR. KLEKS), WAS THE COUSIN OF A FAMOUS POLISH POET. WHICH ONE?

- A) Juliana Tuwim
- B) Bolesława Leśmian
- C) KRZYSZTOFA KAMILA BACZYŃSKI

7. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING IS NOT A KOSHER PRODUCT AND IS NOT ALLOWED TO BE EATEN ACCORDING TO JEWISH DIETARY LAWS?

- A) BEEF
- B) PORK
- C) LAMB

8. A YARMULKE, WHICH IS A TRADITIONAL HEADGEAR THAT A RELIGIOUS JEWISH MAN SHOULD WEAR ALL THE TIME, HAS A FEW NAMES. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING IS NOT A NAME FOR A YARMULKE?

- A) Kippah
- B) FEZ
- C) MYCKA



OF THE PAGES OF THIS BOOK ...

#### JEWS ARE EVERYWHERE.

part myth, part fact JEWS ARE A NATION THAT DID NOT HAVE ITS OWN STATE FOR NEARLY TWO THOUSAND YEARS. THEY WERE EXPELLED FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES AND HAD TO SETTLE ELSEWHERE. OUTSIDE ISRAEL, LARGE JEWISH COMMUNITIES EXIST IN THE UNITED STATES, EUROPE, SOUTH AMERICA AND AUSTRALIA. SMALLER JEWISH COMMUNITIES CAN BE FOUND IN ASIAN COUNTRIES, SUCH AS JAPAN AND VIETNAM,

#### JEWS DO NOT LIKE POLAND AND POLISH PEOPLE.

Part myth, part fact For MANY JEWS AROUND THE WORLD, POLAND IS MOSTLY THE PLACE WHERE THE TRAGEDY OF THE HOLOCAUST HAPPENED. THEY SEE POLAND AS A BIG JEWISH CEMETERY. SOME OF THEM BLAME POLES FOR NOT GETTING MORE INVOLVED IN HELPING JEWS DURING THE WAR AND ACCUSE THEM OF ANTI-SEMITISM. BUT

### JEWS ARE WELL-EDUCATED.

JEWISH TRADITION HAS ALWAYS ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO EDUCATION. ILLITERACY WAS PRACTICALLY UNKNOWN AMONG JEWISH MEN BECAUSE THE JEWISH RELIGION IMPOSED AN OBLIGATION ON THE FATHER TO TEACH THE ALPHABET TO HIS SON AS EARLY AS THREE YEARS OLD. BY THE AGE OF 13, BOYS HAD TO ATTEND A CHEDER, A SCHOOL PROVIDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION. IN MANY COUNTRIES, JEWS WERE BANNED FROM OWNING LAND, SO KNOWLEDGE WAS THEIR BASIC CAPITAL. FOR AND IN AFRICA, WHERE A COMMUNITY OF BLACK JEWS HAS LIVED IN ETHIOPIA FOR CENTURIES. IN FACT, THE ONLY COUNTRIES WITHOUT JEWS ARE THOSE MUSLIM COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE NO DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. FOR THIS REASON, THE IDEA TO SEND JEWS TO MADAGASCAR MADE, AND STILL MAKES, NO SENSE BECAUSE JEWS WERE ALREADY THERE :)

THIS VIEW CANNOT BE ATTRIBUTED TO ALL JEWS. SINCE THE FALL OF COMMUNISM, OPINIONS ABOUT POLAND AMONG JEWS AROUND THE WORLD HAVE IMPROVED THANKS TO FREQUENT VISITS AND NUMEROUS INITIA-TIVES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF POLISH-JEWISH DIALOGUE.

MANY OF THEM, STUDYING WAS ALSO A PATH TO EMANCIPATION. THIS IS REFLECTED IN THE OVER-REPRESENTATION OF JEWS AMONG NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS. ACCORDING TO THE 2011 CENSUS DATA FOR POLAND, MOST POLES OF JEWISH DESCENT HOLD UNIVERSITY DEGREES. AS FAR AS JEWISH GIRLS ARE CONCERNED, THEY WERE ADMITTED TO SCHOOLS IN MOST COUNTRIES ONLY AT THE END OF THE 19TH CENTURY.

#### JEWS KIDNAP CHRISTIAN CHILDREN AND USE THEM TO MAKE MATZO.

MYTH

JEWS HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF RITUAL MURDER AT LEAST SINCE THE MIDDLE AGES. THEY WERE OFTEN ACCUSED OF KIDNAPPING AND KILLING CHRISTIAN BABIES TO OBTAIN BLOOD TO MAKE MATZO, OR UNLEAVENED BREAD. JUDAISM FORBIDS THE CONSUMPTION OF HUMAN BLOOD, WHICH MAKES THIS ALLEGATION ABSURD. THESE ACCUSATIONS WERE A WAY OF ELIMINATING JEWISH MERCHANTS AS ECONOMIC COMPETITORS AND, AT THE SAME TIME, A REFLECTION OF DEEPLY ROOTED ANTI-SEMITIC PREJUDICES.

#### JEWS SPEAK JEWISH.

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JEWS SPEAK MANY NATIONAL LANGUAGES. APART FROM HEBREW, WHICH WAS THE LANGUAGE JUST OF PRAYER FOR CENTURIES AND WAS REBORN ONLY AT THE END OF THE 19TH CENTURY, THEY ALSO SPOKE OTHER LANGUAGES. YIDDISH, WHICH EVOLVED FROM OLD GERMAN IN THE MIDDLE AGES, BECAME THE LANGUAGE OF JEWS IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE. LADINO, WHICH IS CLOSE TO SPANISH, EMERGED IN MEDIEVAL SPAIN AND WAS EVENTUALLY SPOKEN BY JEWS FROM SPAIN, GREECE AND ARABIC COUNTRIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA. ON THE OTHER HAND, JEWS FROM ETHIOPIA USED TWO LANGUAGES: AMHARIC AND THE GE'EZ.

### THERE ARE MANY JEWS IN POLAND,

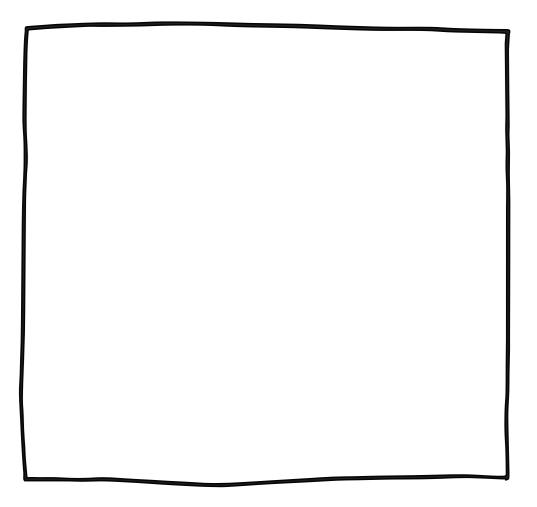
#### MYTH

IN THE 2011 CENSUS, A TOTAL OF 8,000 PEOPLE IN POLAND DECLARED THEMSELVES PART OF THE JEWISH MINORITY. HOWEVER, OTHER SOURCES (E.G. THE GUARDIAN, A BRITISH NEWSPAPER) ESTIMATE THAT THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN POLAND MAY BE AS LARGE AS 20,000 PEOPLE. THEY REPRESENT ONLY ABOUT O.O2% OF THE POLISH SOCIETY. The number of Jews Around the World is about 15 Million, half of Whom Live in Israel. The United States has the second largest number of Jews. In Europe, France is the country with the Largest Jewish diaspora.

ACCORDING TO THE JEWISH CALENDAR, WE ARE NOW IN THE YEAR 5777.

#### USE THIS BOX TO WRITE DOWN ALL THE STEREOTYPES ABOUT JEWS THAT YOU HAVE HEARD FROM RELATIVES AND FRIENDS,

IN THE MEDIA, AT SCHOOL, OR IN PASSING, FOR INSTANCE, ON THE STREET OR ON THE TRAIN.



#### NOW CUT THIS BOX OUT, CRUMPLE IT UP, THROW IT AWAY AND FORGET ABOUT IT.

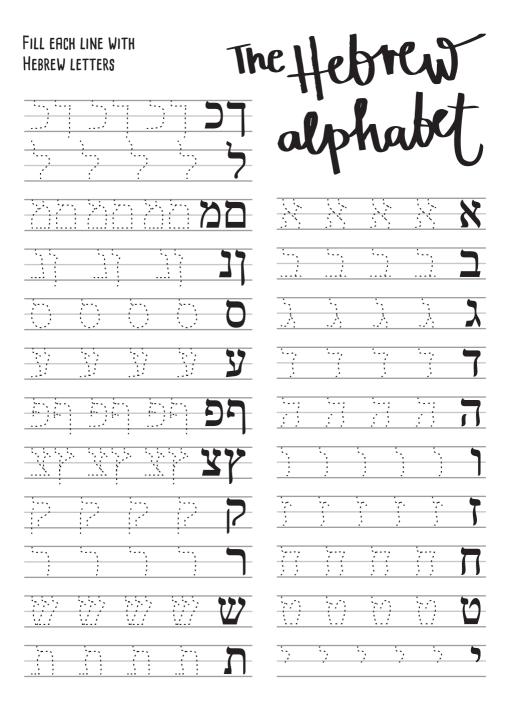




FOR INSTANCE, GO TO YOTUBE AND PLAY "TIRKEDI" BY SHIMRIT & MICHAEL GREILSAMMER

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FOR INSTANCE, GO TO YOUTUBE AND PLAY "Melache Meluche" by Chava Alberstein



HEBREW IS READ FROM RIGHT TO LEFT. VOWELS ARE NOT WRITTEN DOWN.

#### IN OLD HEBREW, EACH LETTER HAD A SPECIFIC NUMBER ASSIGNED TO IT AND WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A SYMBOLIC MEANING.

1	W LETTERS HEIR NAMES	NUMBER	POLISH EQUIVALENT	SYMBOLIC MEANING
X	ALEF	1	A (ONLY AT THE BEGINNING)	GOD'S PARTICLE, GOD, BULL
ב	BET	2	В	HOUSE
ス	GIMEL	3	G	REWARD, KINDNESS, CAMEL
7	DALET	4	D	DOOR, WEAKNESS
5	HE	5	CH	GOD, APERTURE
٦	VAV	6	W,O,U	MANKIND, RESTORING JUDGMENT, KEY
T	ZAYIN	7	Z	SPEAR, WEAPON
Π	HET	8	Н	LIFE, SIN, EMBANKMENT
U	TET	9	Т	KINDNESS, HUMILITY, SERPENT
7	YOD	10	ا, ا	ARM, STATUE, SHARING
דכ	KAF	20	K	HAND, PALM TREE, END AND BEGINNING
ל	LAMED	30	L	STUDYING, A STUDENT

םמ	MEM	M	40	WATER, PEOPLES, NATIONS, LANGUAGES
<b>ז</b> ב	NUN	N	50	LOSING, FISH
٥	SAMEKH	S	60	TO SUPPORT, TO TRUST, TO RELY ON SOMEONE, PILLAR
Y	AYIN	-	70	EYE, WATER SPRING, Source, centre
ףפ	PE	Р	80	MOUTH, SILENCE, SPEECH
yz	TSADI	C	90	RULE OF LAW, HOOK (FOR FISHING)
ק	OUF	К	100	BUYING, SELLING, EYE OF A NEEDLE, Monkey, Abstinence, Control
٦	RESZ	R	200	HEAD (BODY PART), SUPERVISOR, Losing Wealth
W	SZIN	s,sz	300	TOOTH, PEACE, POWER, Corruption, lies
ת	TAU	Т	400	SIGN

EXAMPLE: THE WORD "DAM" MEANS "BLOOD" AND IS MADE UP OF DALET ("WEAKNESS") AND MEM ("LIQUID"). WHEN WE ADD ALEF (THE GOD PARTICLE), WE GET "ADAM", WHICH MEANS "HUMAN BEING".

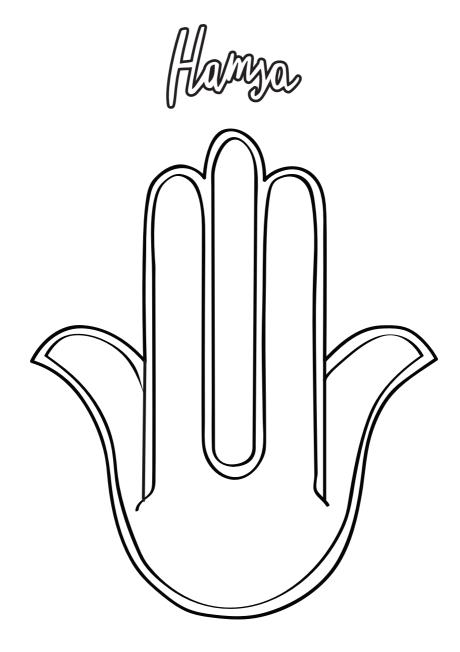
Use this space to write down your name in Hebrew (remember to write from right to left):

IMPORTANT: THE HEBREW ALPHABET DOES NOT HAVE LETTERS FOR MOST VOWELS. VOWELS ARE SIMPLY NOT WRITTEN DOWN! Now, let your imagination run free. Take a look at the symbolic meaning of Hebrew letters. What does your name stand for?

Do you know where this part of the face comes from? []

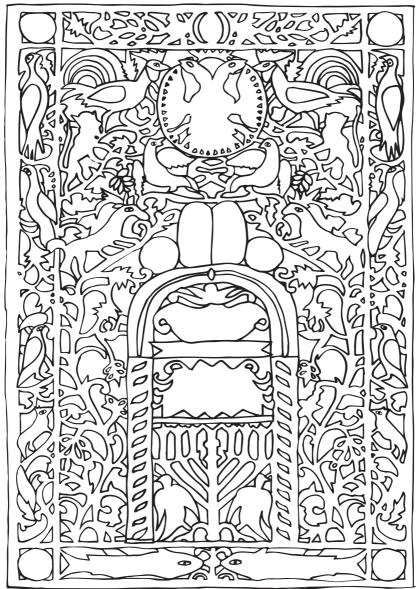
JEWISH CULTURE HAS AN EXPLANATION. BEFORE WE ARE BORN, WHEN WE ARE STILL IN OUR MOTHER'S WOMB, AN ANGEL PUTS A CANDLE ON OUR HEAD TO BRIGHTEN UP THE INSIDE OF THE WOMB. FOR NINE MONTHS, THE ANGEL TEACHES US EVERYTHING, INCLUDING THE HISTORY OF OUR SOUL. WHEN WE ARE ABOUT TO BE BORN, THE ANGEL GUIDES US. THERE ARE TWO VERSIONS OF WHAT HAPPENS NEXT: THE ANGEL EITHER PUTS ITS FINGER ON OUR LIPS SAYING 'HUSH', OR BLOWS THE CANDLE OUT AND THROWS IT AT US. THE RESULT IS THE SAME: WE FORGET ALL OUR WISDOM AND ARE BORN WITH THIS VERTICAL GROOVE IN OUR FACES.

> USE THIS SPACE TO WRITE DOWN ALL THE THINGS YOU WISH YOU COULD REMEMBER:



FILL IN THIS HAMSA WITH YOUR OWN PATTERNS.

Hamsa is known in Jewish and Arab culture as 'Fatima's hand' (Fatima was one of Mohammed's daughters) or Miriam's hand (Miriam was Moses' sister). This symbol protects people against evil. Literally, "hamsa" means "five" in Arabic. PAPER CUTTING IS A POPULAR FORM OF JEWISH FOLK ART. THE ART OF PAPER CUTTING DEVELOPED IN THE 19TH CENTURY, WHEN PAPER BECAME WIDELY AVAILABLE. IN THE PAST, ONLY MEN WERE ALLOWED TO MAKE CUT-OUTS BUT NOWADAYS WOMEN ARE BECOMING FAMOUS IN THIS ART.



PRINT IT WITH WATERCOLOURS AND CUT IT OUT:

#### USE THIS PAGE TO WRITE A LETTER TO A PERSON YOU WANT TO APOLOGISE TO ... CUT IT OUT AND HAND TO THAT PERSON.

Yom Kippur is the Day of Atonement, also known as Judgment Day. It is celebrated in September or October. It is the most important holiday in the Jewish calendar. On Yom Kippur, Jews do not eat or drink for at least one whole day to do penance for their sins. On this day, every Jew should also ask forgiveness from a person they have wronged and this is how they can be assured of forgiveness.

# JEWISHHOLIDAYS



# DRAW THEM, TRACE ROUND THEM, ROLL THEM, SQUEEZE THEM, PRINT THEM OR JUST EAT THEM

TU BISHVAT IS THE JEWISH NEW YEAR OF THE TREES. THIS HOLIDAY IS CELEBRATED IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY WHEN FRUIT TREES BEGIN TO BLOOM IN ISRAEL. TODAY, THIS HOLIDAY IS ASSOCIATED WITH AN ENVIRONMENTAL MESSAGE: IT IS SUPPOSED TO REMIND PEOPLE OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO THE NATURAL WORLD AROUND THEM. THIS DAY IS CELEBRATED BY EATING VARIOUS FRUIT AND PLANTING NEW TREES.

#### # JEWISHHOLIDAYS

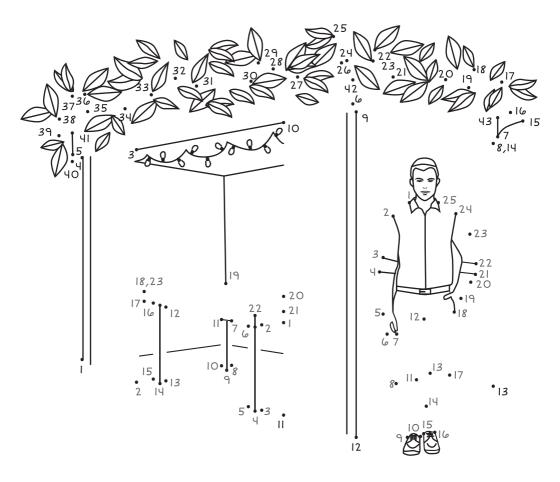


#### # JEWISHHOLIDAYS

ROSH HASHANAH IS THE JEWISH NEW YEAR BUT IT HAS LITTLE IN COMMON WITH NEW YEAR'S EVE OR THE CHRISTIAN FEAST OF SAINT SYLVESTER. THIS HOLIDAY, FALLING IN SEPTEMBER OR EARLY OCTOBER, IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A NEW BEGINNING, A CHANGE OF LIFE FOR THE BETTER, INSPIRED BY THE SOUND OF THE SHOFAR (A SPECIAL RAM'S HORN). IN ORDER TO MAKE THE NEW YEAR SWEET, JEWS EAT APPLES WITH HONEY, AS WELL AS POMEGRANATES, WHOSE MANY SEEDS SYMBOLISE FUTURE GOOD DEEDS. ACCORDING TO JEWISH TRADITION, THIS IS WHEN GOD DECIDES TO REGISTER A PERSON IN THE BOOK OF LIFE FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR. ROSH HASHANAH IS ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO CLEANSE THEMSELVES BY THROWING THEIR SINS INTO THE WATER.

### THIS IS AMIR AND HIS SUKKAH.

CONNECT THE DOTS TO FIND OUT WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE.



#### # JEWISHHOLIDAYS

The holiday of Sukkot, celebrated in September or October, commemorates the Biblical Journey of the Israelites through the desert after leaving Egypt (the Exodus). Jews celebrate it by building temporary huts or tents (Hebrew: sukkah, Polish: suka) and living in them, as an expression of their trust in God.

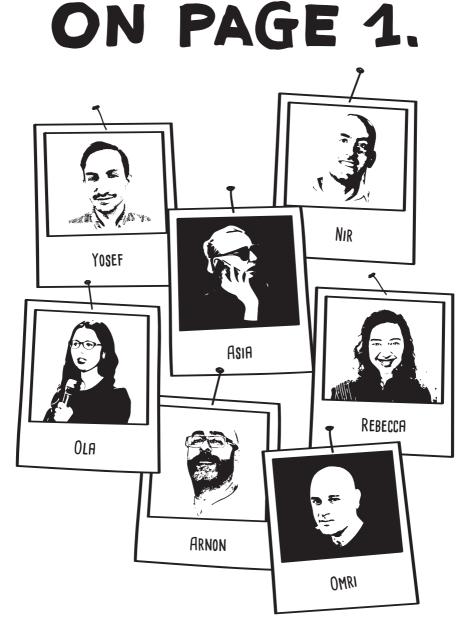
SPEND A DAV AS IF IT WERE SHIABBAT. # JEWISHHÖLIDAYS ) THIS MEANS: 1. EAT TASTY FOOD. 2. HAVE A REST WITHOUT BEING TOO ACTIVE. 3. SPENID TIME WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. 1. DON'T WATCH TV. INTER-NET OR USE ANY OTHER ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES. 5. PUT ON A NICE OUTFIT. 6. DON'T CLEAN, DON'T WORK, DON'T STRESS. WHAT EFFECT DID THAT DAY HAVE ON YOU?

PURIM IS CELEBRATED IN MARCH OR APRIL AS A JEWISH CARNI-VAL WHICH COMMEMORATES HOW BRAVE QUEEN ESTHER SAVED JEWS FROM BEING KILLED. SHE CONCEALED HER IDENTITY FROM HER HUSBAND, THE KING OF PERSIA, AHASUERUS. TO REMEMBER THIS MIRACULOUS SALVATION, JEWS DRESS UP (OFTEN AS THE OPPOSITE SEX), STAGE THEATRICAL PLAYS AND, FOLLOWING TRADITION, DRINK A LOT OF ALCOHOL. ſ

#### # JEWISHHOLIDAYS

HUSWERS TO THE QUIZ: 18 28 30 4c 5f 6b 7b 8b 9c 10f 11c 12b 13b 14c 15c 16f

#### HARDLY ANY JEWS HAVE SIDELOCKS.



GO BACK TO THE PORTRAIT

JULIAN TUWIM HORRIBLE HOMES (UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION)

MADE

IN HORRIBLE HOMES THE HORRIBLE TOWNSFOLK LIVE HORRIBLY. MOULD AND SOOT CREEP ACROSS WALLS, A WINTER HORROR, A DARK SORT OF DYING.

BABBLING SINCE MORNING. THEY GIBBER AND RAVE, POCKETS, THEIR RECEIPTS, THAT IT'S RAINING, EXPENSIVE, THAT IT'S THIS, THAT IT'S THAT.

THEY WALK A BIT, SIT A BIT,

EVERYTHING'S A GHOST. EVERYTHING'S A PHANTOM.

THEY CHECK THE TIME, CHECK THEIR POCKETS, STROKE THEIR TIES, STRAIGHTEN THEIR LAPELS WITH A DIGNIFIED STEP FROM THEIR HOMES TO THE GROUND.

SO FAMILIAR, SO ROUND.

HERE THEY GO, ALL BUTTONED UP TIGHT, THEY LOOK LEFT, THEY LOOK RIGHT. WHEN THEY LOOK, THEY SEE ALL THINGS SEPARATELY A HOUSE... STANLEY... A HORSE... A TREE...

THEY GRAB NEWSPAPERS IN THEIR FINGERS LIKE A CAKE AND CHEW THEM INTO A SPONGY MUSH, UNTIL, BLOATED WITH THE UNDERCOOKED PAPER, THEIR BULGING HEADS GROW COARSELY SWOLLEN.

AND THEY'RE OFF TALKING AGAIN, ABOUT FORD... THE CINEMA ...

GOD... RUSSIA... THE RADIO, SPORTS, WAR... THE MONSTROUS LAYERS OF NONSENSE GROW, FLOWING WITH PHANTOMS THROUGH A JUNGLE OF HAPPENINGS.

USE PHOTOS FROM NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES TO MAKE A COLLAGE OF A "HORRIBLE TOWN" AND STICK THE POEM ON IT.

POLISHJEWS

THEIR HEADS ARE PUFFED UP, EVER HEAVIER DANGLING BLINDLY TOWARDS EVENING. THEY CLAMBER UNDER BEDS, SNIFFING OUT A THIEF, HEADS BUMPING INTO COLD CHAMBER POTS.

ONCE AGAIN, THEY'RE CHECKING THEIR

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WITH TROUSERS DARNED ON THE BACKSIDE, THEIR VENERATED PROPERTY, SACRED POSSESSIONS, THEIR OWN AND EXCLUSIVE, EARNED THE HARD WAY.

LATER THEY PRAY: "(SPARE US) FROM SUDDEN DEATH...

...FROM WAR... AND HUNGER... REST IN PEACE." AND FALL ASLEEP, THEIR FAT GOBS ON THEIR CHESTS IN THEIR HORRIBLE HOMES THOSE HORRIBLE TOWNSFOLK.



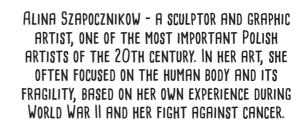
JULIAN TUWIM - A POET, ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR LITERARY AUTHORS OF THE INTER-WAR PERIOD. HE BELIEVED THAT POETRY SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE FOR EVERYONE, WHICH IS WHY HE OFTEN USED SLANG IN HIS POEMS. SOMETIMES EVEN VULGAR WORDS. HE USED TO SAY: "LIVE YOUR LIFE SO THAT YOUR FRIENDS ARE BORED WHEN YOU DIE."



YOU CAN USE THE SCRUB ON YOUR FACE AND BODY TO EXFOLIATE AND CLEANSE YOUR SKIN. THE SCRUB HELPS TO MASSAGE AND REGENERATE YOUR SKIN.

**#POLISHJEWS** 

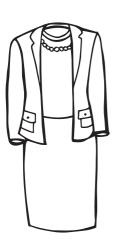








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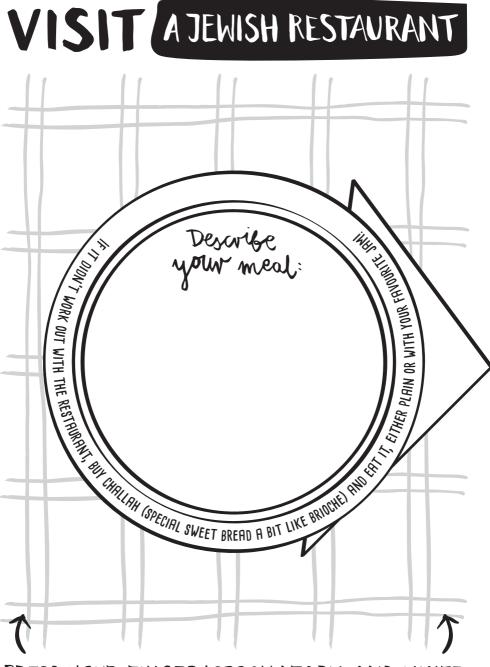
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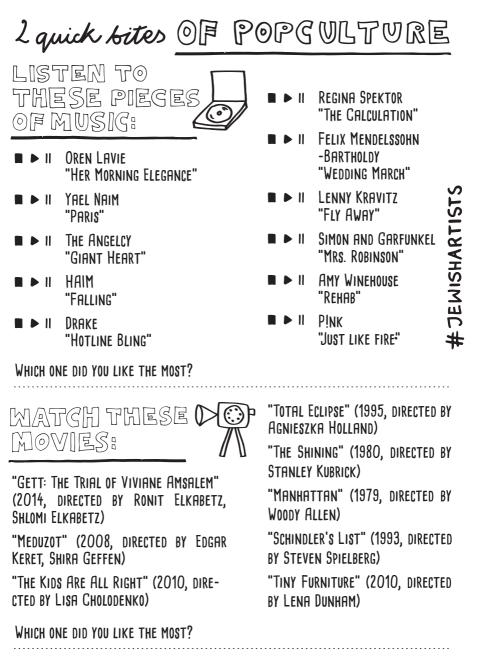
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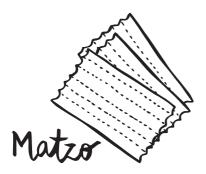


Did you know that Sacha Baron Cohen (Borat, Ali G.) is Jewish? Do you know that Gal Gadot (Wonder Woman) is Jewish? Her first name means "Wave", her surname means "River Bank". By the way, Natalie Portman is Jewish, too!



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#JEWISHSNACKS

... IF YOU, ENJOY COOKING AND WANT SOMETHING MORE FANCY, TRY-OUT THESE MORE CHALLENGING RECIPES:



HOW TO PREPARE IT:

- 1. HEAT YOUR OVEN TO 200° CELSIUS, SET THE GRILL OPTION, IF AVAILABLE.
- 2. WASH THE AUBERGINES AND PIERCE THEM (OTHERWISE THEY WILL BURST IN THE OVEN), PUT THEM ON A BAKING TRAY LINED WITH BAKING PAPER.
- 3. Put the baking tray into the oven, leave it for 45 minutes (or less, depending on the oven until the aubergines are black and charred), turn every 15 minutes.
- 4. CUT THE HOT AUBERGINES IN HALF (BE CAREFUL NOT TO BURN YOUR FINGERS!). USE A SPOON TO REMOVE THE PULP - PUT THE PULP IN THE BLENDER RIGHT AWAY.
- 5. MIX WITH THE OTHER INGREDIENTS.
- 6. COOL DOWN (CAREFUL: DON'T PUT THE HOT SPREAD IN THE FRIDGE BEFORE IT HAS COOLED DOWN!)
- 7. ADD 2 TABLESPOONS OF OLIVE OIL, BLEND IN. Serve with bread and, optionally, parsley, chilli, tomatoes and olives.

YOU WILL NEED:



5 SMALL AUBERGINES





3 TABLESPOONS OF TAHINI\*

JUICE OF Half a Lemon





HALF A TABLESPOON OF SALT

2-3 CLOVES OF GARLIC

\* Available from Middle Eastern and health food stores, tahini is also used to make hummus.

### #JEWISHSNACKS



YOU WILL NEED:









3 ONIONS



4 TABLESPOONS

2 CUPS OF BUTTER BEANS

2/3 CUPS OF PEARL BARLEY

HALF A KILO OF POTATOES

OF OLIVE OIL



3 CUPS OF VEGETABLE STOCK

SALT AND PEPPER

WHOLE CHOPPED BULB OF GARLIC

GRATED SWEET PEPPER

ALLSPICE, BAY LEAF THYME, GINGER, CUMIN NUTMEG

HOW TO PREPARE IT:

- 1. POUR BOILING WATER OVER THE BEANS AND, IN THE MEANTIME...
- 2. PUT EACH VEGETABLE INTO A SEPARATE BOWL:
  - A) PEEL THE POTATOES, CUT INTO SLICES, 1-2 CM THICK.
  - B) SLICE THE ONION INTO RINGS AND FRY OVER A LOW HEAT UNTIL TRANSPARENT.
- 4. DRAIN THE BEANS.
- 5. Place the following one after the other inside the pot: onions (salt them), beans, PEARL BARLEY, POTATOES (ADD BAY LEAF AND 2 ALLSPICE BERRIES), ONIONS (SALT THEM), beans, and pearl barley. Sprinkle each layer with garlic, paprika (teaspoon), spices (HALF A TEASPOON) AND A PINCH OF NUTMEG.
- 6. Pour the stock over the vegetables until it reaches an inch above the surface of the contents. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat and cover with a lid. When all the STOCK HAS BEEN ABSORBED INTO THE DISH, REDUCE THE HEAT AND CONTINUE STEWING IT FOR 2 HOURS.
- 7. Now (careful!), remove the pot from the heat, wrap it in a blanket and put aside for AN HOUR.



### STEREOTYPES HATE SPEECH POPULISM\*

"THOSE WERE BEAUTIFUL DAYS, JEWS WERE GOING TO BE GASSED, THE OVEN DOORS WERE LEFT OPEN / THOSE WERE BEAUTIFUL DAYS, CARRIAGES FULL OF JEWS ARRIVED / THICK, BLACK SMOKE WAS BLOWING OUT THE CHIMNEY" EXCERPT FROM A SONG FOUND ON A LEGIA WARSAW FOOTBALL FAN FORUM HTTP://FORUM.LEGIONISCI.COM/SHOWTHREAD.PHP?T=6519&PAGE=47

> "THE MAIN GOAL OF THE JEWISH DIASPORA WAS TO PLUNDER OUR LANDS AND CONTROL OUR NATION. THEY DECIDED OUR COUNTRY WAS THE LAND PROMISED TO THEM BY GOD. THEY STILL CONSIDER THEMSELVES TO BE CO-OWNERS OF THE POLISH LANDS." "JUDEOPOLONIA - JEWS ATTACKING POLAND?" HTTPS://WIADOMOSCI.ROBERTBRZOZA.PL/HISTORIA-POLSKI/ JUDEOPOLONIA-ATAK-ZYDOW-NA-POLSKE/

"The opposition's march was financed from outside. A Jewish banker donated 150 million to organise the march."\* Paweł Kukiz, Member of Polish Parliament and singer.

WANTING TO SMEAR THE POLITICAL OPPOSITION, PAWEŁ KUKIZ SAID THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES were financed by a Jewish banker, which was not true. He invoked stereotypes about Jews ruling the world and hating Polish people.

\*POPULISM - "SUPPORTING OR PROMOTING IDEAS AND POLITICAL PLANS THAT ARE IN LINE WITH THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE MAJORITY OF ORDINARY SOCIETY IN ORDER TO GAIN THEIR SUPPORT, INFLUENCE OR POWER" (TRANSLATED FROM THE POLISH SCIENTIFIC PUBLISHERS (WYDAWNICTWO PWN) DICTIONARY OF THE POLISH LANGUAGE, WWW.SJP.PWN.PL)



Polish anti-Semitism is an obvious response to the Jews' contempt for Poles and to their disrespecting Poles in their own country

POOR JEWS, NOBODY LIKES THEM? Well, there must be a reason for that.

> JEWS THEMSELVES ARE Responsible for what Happened to them.

HOW DO THESE COMMENTS MAKE YOU FEEL?

THESE ARE ORIGINAL EXAMPLES, TRANSLATED FROM POLISH, FROM ONLINE FORUMS AND WERE PUBLISHED IN A RESEARCH REPORT ON HATE SPEECH Prepared by Dr. Michael Bilewicz et al. Original Title: "Mowa Nienawiści", published in Warsaw, 2014. (A summary in English is gvailable online entitled 'Hate speech in Poland - summary of the national opinion poll')

## WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT HATE?

### → INUNDATE HATE → SEND WITH FACTS THE POSTER AND STATISTICS A MEME

### → REPORT A POST/COMMENT/ PHOTO ON FACEBOOK OR TO A WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR!

## THERE ARE LAWS AGAINST HATE!

ARTICLE 119. § 1. WHOEVER USES VIOLENCE OR MAKES UNLAWFUL THREAT TOWARDS A GROUP OF PERSONS OR A PARTICULAR INDIVIDUAL BECAUSE OF THEIR NATIONAL, ETHNIC, POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS AFFILIA-TION, OR BECAUSE OF THEIR LACK OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A PENALTY OF THE DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY FOR A TERM OF BETWEEN 3 MONTHS AND 5 YEARS.

§ 2. The same punishment shall be imposed on anyone, who incites commission of the offence specified under § 1. (Polish Criminal Code)

IF SOMEONE SPREADS HATE SPEECH, YOU CAN REPORT THAT PERSON TO THE POLICE! According to Article 304 § 1 of the Polish Code of Criminal Procedure, citizens have a duty to report crimes. But what counts as a crime?

EXAMPLES FROM ONLINE FORUMS: "Jews to the gas chambers!" "Kick that Jew in the backside!" "Now we're burning a puppet, Next the Jewish Vermin" ARTICLE 256. § 1. WHOEVER PUBLICLY PROMOTES A FASCIST OR OTHER TOTALITARIAN REGIME OR INCITES HATRED ON THE GROUNDS OF NATIONAL, ETHNIC, RACIAL, RELIGIOUS OR RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES, OR ON THE GROUNDS OF NON-RELI-GIOUSNESS, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE, THE PENALTY OF RESTRICTION OF LIBERTY OR DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY FOR UP TO 2 YEARS.

- "NAZISM CONTAINED MANY POSITIVE THINGS, IT'S WORTH INTRODUCING THEM IN POLAND"
- "JEWS TO THE GAS CHAMBERS!"
- "GENERATIONS OF JEWS WORKED FOR CENTURIES TO EARN THE HOLOCAUST"
- "Stop Judaising Poland. Poland belongs to the Poles"
- PAINTING A SWASTIKA ON A WALL
- SHOUTING NAZI SLOGANS LIKE "SIEG HEIL!"
- MAKING NAZI GREETING GESTURES
- PUBLICLY SHOWING TATTOOS WITH SYMBOLS FROM TOTALITARIAN REGIMES

ARTICLE 257. WHOEVER PUBLICLY INSULTS A GROUP OF PEOPLE OR A PARTICULAR PERSON ON THE GROUNDS OF THEIR NATIONAL, ETHNIC, RACIAL OR RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION OR BECAUSE OF THEIR LACK OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS, OR VIOLATES THE PHYSICAL INTEGRITY OF ANOTHER PERSON FOR SUCH REASONS, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A PENALTY OF DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY FOR UP TO 3 YEARS. (POLISH CRIMINAL CODE)

- "BLACK APES"
- "JEWISH VERMIN"
- BEATING
- PUSHING
- PINCHING
- SPITTING
- PULLING

### →WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- 1. IF HATE SPEECH CONCERNS A COMMENT, A POST OR A PHOTO ON FACEBOOK, REPORT IT TO THEM. You can also report the address of the item on hejtstop.pl and http://zglosnienawisc.otwarta.org/
- 2. IF HATE IS PART OF A STATEMENT OR BEHAVIOUR THAT YOU HAVE RECORDED OR PHOTO-GRAPHED, GO TO HTTP://ZGLOSNIENAWISC.OTWARTA.ORG/.
- 3. You can also send a letter (by registered mail) to the public prosecutor's office to notify them of a crime. The notification must contain your full name and address, the name of the prosecutor's office or the police station where you are sending your letter. You need to describe the event in your own words (and add attachments, such as a screenshot or a photo, whenever possible). You need to sign and date your letter. The prosecutor's office might or might not deal with the case, but they must accept your letter. The more reports, the greater the chance that the police will be more on the alert!

REPORT EVERY SINGLE HATE POST ON FACEBOOK! JUST CLICK THE DOTS IN THE UPPER RIGHT CORNER, THEN "REPORT POST" AND THEN SELECT THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ON FB, BECAUSE OF INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT. THE MORE REPORTS THE ADMINISTRATORS GET, THE SOONER THEY WILL REMOVE THE POST!

JUST GO TO WWW.HEJTALERT.PL :)

2. **COPY IT** HEJTSTOP PASTE IT ON 3. **HEJTSTOPPL DOES THE POST BREAK** THE LAW? THE AUTHOR **WILL FACE THE CONSEQUENCES!** YOU CAN ALSO DOWNLOAD YOU CAN ALSO GO TO HEJTALERT, AN ADD-ON TO YOUR WEB WWW.HEJTSTOP.PL AND PASTE **BROWSER WHICH WILL THEN REPORT** THE AGGRESSIVE POST THERE. INSULTING CONTENT BY ITSELF.

have you seen any HATE?

THEY'LL TAKE CARE OF IT...

## write down your questions and doubts in alphabetical order

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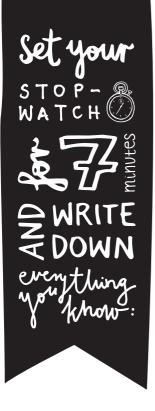
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#### MOVIES MADE BY JEWISH WOMEN AND MEN

JEWISH INVENTIONS

NAMES OF POLISH JEWS

JEWISH DISHES AND TREATS

Countries where there are Jewish diasporas (or Jewish communities)

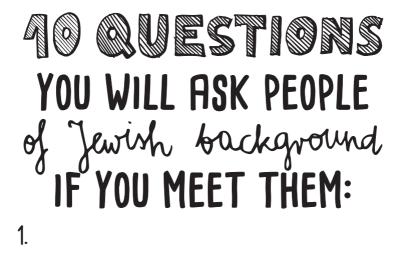
## WRITE DOWN FACTS (ABOUT JEWS) ON SMALL STRIPS OF PAPER, CUT THEM OUT AND DISPLAY THEM in a public place

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Dearest Girls and Boys!

NO-ONE CAN TELL US WHAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE. WE KNOW OURSELVES WHAT WE REALLY WANT. WE WANT TO BE LOVED, INDEPENDENT AND RESPECTED, SURROUNDED BY FRIENDLY SOULS WHO ACCEPT US. SO WE HAVE TO DISCOVER AND CULTIVATE EVERYTHING THAT IS WORTH LOVING ABOUT OURSELVES: OPENNESS, KINDNESS, WILLINGNESS TO HELP, OUR UNCONVENTIONAL WAYS, AND WISDOM. AND WE WON'T LET ANYONE FORCE HARMFUL STEREOTYPES ON US. WE KNOW THAT WE NEED TO DO SOME WORK TO DISCOVER AND ENJOY THE DIVERSITY OF THE WORLD, THE WEALTH OF PARTICULAR CUSTOMS, BELIEFS, AND SKILLS; AND TO BE DELIGHTED WITH WHAT WE ALL ARE: JEWS, CHINESE, INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS, OR NATIVE AMERICANS. WE ARE ALIKE AND DIFFERENT. JEWS SOMETIMES JOKE THAT THEY ARE NATURALLY THE SAME AS OTHERS BUT MORE SO :)

Shalpm!

PROFESSOR KAMILLA TERMIŃSKA, UNIVERSITY OF SILESIA

90% of Poles have never personally met anyone from this group. I'm talking about Jews. According to the census, there are about 8,000 Jews living in Poland. That's Right: eight thousand. This number is not exactly striking, is it. Nevertheless, Jews awaken great emotions for Poles, while topics related to Jewish culture and tradition spark the imagination. Unfortunately, myths, stereotypes, prejudices and conspiracy theories often beat the facts. Recently, the number of anti-Semitic incidents in Poland has been growing, and people who are thought of as "Others" or who represent diversity, have become like Public Enemy Number One in Polish society, which is largely homogenous in ethnic, racial, religious and cultural terms. Why is this happening? In our opinion, one of the causes is that ... 90% of Poles have never personally met any Jews, women or men.

THIS BOOK, ENTITLED "ABOUT JEWS", WAS DESIGNED TO GIVE YOU AT LEAST SOME IDEA ABOUT THESE 'UNKNOWN' JEWS AND TO SHOW THAT CULTURAL DIVERSITY, WHICH WE OURSELVES EXPERIENCE WHEN WE DO EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES AT HUMANITY IN ACTION POLAND, IS BOTH INSPIRING AND MUCH NEEDED... FOR ALL OF US.

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER! AND LET'S DO IT NOW!

Monika Mazur-Rafał, Magdalena Szarota, Przemysław Iwanek Humanity in Action Poland

WHEN I WAS GROWING UP, THE ONLY THING I HEARD ABOUT THE JEWS WAS EITHER THE SAD STORY OF WORLD WAR II OR STEREOTYPES, AND I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THEY WERE STEREOTYPES BACK THEN. HOW COULD 1? I GOT INTERESTED IN JEWISH CULTURE A FEW YEARS AGO AND I IMMEDI-ATELY DISCOVERED HOW RICH, INTERESTING, AND TASTY IT IS - SWEET ON THE EYES AND THE EARS! THIS BOOK DOESN'T EVEN GO INTO MANY SUPER-INTERESTING CHAPTERS OF JEWISH HISTORY AND CULTURE. SO I HOPE THAT THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING OF YOUR INTEREST IN THE TOPIC, NOT THE END. AND EVEN MORE SO, I HOPE THAT THE NEXT TIME YOU HEAR RIDICULOUS STEREOTYPES AND HATE TARGETED AT JEWS, YOU'LL MAKE IT CLEAR YOU'RE AGAINST THEM!

BOOKS CAN SOMETIMES BE BORING AND PUT PEOPLE OFF READING THEM. I HOPE OUR BOOK BRINGS INTERESTING INFORMATION, AND FUN, TOGETHER IN ONE! SOMETIMES IT'S GOOD TO LEAVE YOUR OWN "BUBBLE": TO CONFRONT YOUR FEARS, TO LEARN MORE, TO THINK A BIT MORE. THE WORLD IS A REALLY GREAT PLACE, WITH SUCH A DIVERSE BUNCH OF PEOPLE, FULL OF MAGIC AN WONDERFUL THINGS. IT WOULD BE A REAL PITY IF STEREOTYPES OR OUR OW PREJUDICES PREVENT US FROM GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER! AND ALTHOUGH I DON'T WANT TO SOUND LIKE A LIFESTYLE GUIDE, I HAVE A GREAT PLACE OF ADVICE FOR YOU AND FOR MYSELF. LET'S ADDITION GREAT PLACE, WITH SUCH A DIVERSE BUNCH OF PEOPLE, FULL OF MAGIC AND WONDERFUL THINGS. IT WOULD BE A REAL PITY IF STEREOTYPES OR OUR OWN A GREAT PIECE OF ADVICE FOR YOU AND FOR MYSELF: LET'S OPEN UP TO ' OTHERS! LET'S PAY ATTENTION, BE SENSITIVE AND CURIOUS ABOUT THE WORLD. LET'S NOT JUDGE PEOPLE RIGHT AWAY, LET'S HEAR THEIR STORIES, AND IF WE SEE SOMETHING VIOLENT - LET'S REACT! PROBLEMS DON'T DISAPPEAR IF WE STOP THE CONVERSATION ABOUT THEM.

BEING JEWISH AND POLISH AT THE SAME TIME? SOME PEOPLE SAY THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE, BUT TO ME IT SEEMS OBVIOUS. MY JEWISH ANCESTORS HAVE LIVED HERE FOR CENTURIES. POLAND IS MY HOME, A PLACE WHERE THE JEWISH COMMUNITY HAS DEVELOPED OVER CENTURIES. I HOPE THIS BOOK WILL INSPIRE YOU TO LEARN ABOUT THE CULTURE OF YOUR ANCESTORS' NEIGHBOURS, SOMETIMES EXOTIC BUT SOMETIMES VERY FAMILIAR. IF YOU WANT TO FORM AN OPINION ABOUT SOMEONE, YOU MUST FIRST GET TO KNOW THEM. YOUR KNOWLEDGE CAN NOW BECOME A WEAPON IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST PREJUDICE TOWARDS JEWS. DON'T HESITATE TO USE IT!

## ABOUT JEWS

#### AN INTERACTIVE BOOK AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM

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# SHALOM!

\*SHALOM, OR THE HEBREW GREETING AT MEETING OR PARTING, WHICH LITERALLY MEANS "PEACE"