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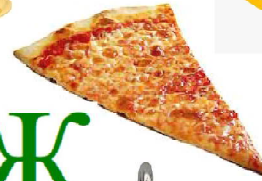
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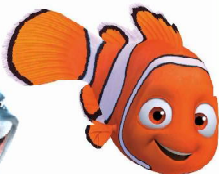
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This one's a double





The fun way to go over the weekly sedra with your children, grandchildren, Shabbat guests

TZAV - PARA

I count 3 Unexplaineds for Tzav, one of which is made up of 4 pieces • and 5 Unexplaineds for Para

Who knows 5? Five are the books of the Torah - but not from Parshat Tzav. ZOT TORAT... mentioned for each of 5 types of korbanot.

Michael Jordan was a (Chicago) BULL, and there are TWO (Los Angeles) RAMS - three of the animals offered as korbanot during the inaugural week for the Mishkan. And the basket of matzot that accompanied them.

The three Torah note - R'VI'I, ETNACHTA, SHALSHELET - on the words VAYISHCHAT.

The flag of Lebanon has a cedar tree, one of the 'ingredients in the burying of the Para Aduma.

So too the hyssop, a.k.a. EIZOV, a.k.a. zahtar.

The tent for TUM'AT OHEL.

The 7 Arches Hotel in Jerusalem, formerly, the Intercontinental Hotel, is located on Har HaZeitim, on the side facing Har HaBayit. That's where

the Para Aduma was prepared.

Tuesday and Saturday of the 3rd day and the 7th day of the week. But they are not the 3rd and 7th day that a person was to be sprinkled with the Para Aduma Potion. That was on the 3rd and 7th day of his counting the period of TUM'AT MEIT.

SH'MINI - HACHODESH

Across the top you have a sheep, a goat, and a cow (calf) - for korbanot mentioned towards the beginning of the sedra AND for the cud-chewing, split hoofed animals that we may eat, from the end of the sedra <> EISH ZARA, the strange fire of Nadav and Avihu <> the prohibition of entering the Mikdash having recently drunk wine <> permitted and forbidden foods: the 1960 Plymouth Fury have a pair of fins - as did other cars of that era <> below the car are scales, combining to the signs of a kosher fish <> now go to the left of the ParshaPix below the fire and wine: <> mammals: Chicago Bears helmet for the non-kosher ones <> and the Los Angeles Rams for the kosher ones <> Woody Woodpecker for the non-kosher birds <> and a rubber duckie for the kosher ones <> two characters from Finding Nemo - Bruce, the shark, representing non-kosher fish <> and Nemo himself, for the kosher fish <> Jiminy Cricket for all the non-kosher insects <> and a grasshopper representing the four kinds of locust/grasshoppers that are kosher - the question mark is for the uncertainty of most Jewish communities in knowing which are kosher and which are not <> on the list of non-kosher birds are

the Neshar (as in the bottle of BIRA SH'CHORA) <> and the cup or KOS for it - that's why it's a double <> and the PERES <> the ostrich as one of the non-kosher birds <> the baseball bat for the ATALEIF, the bat <> the mouse is for the ACHBAR listed among the animals whose carcasses make a person TAMEI for a day <> the earphone is for the OZNIYA, a sound alike for one of the non-kosher birds <> the big hook is for the big VAV of GACHON <> which leaves us with many representations of the name of the sedra. Take them as unexplained (except that you know the explanations already - SH'MINI). Your challenge is to say why for each one. Some are easy; some no so <> the havdala candle, which is for our life's challenge as Torah Jews, to distinguish between the sacred and the mundane, between the kosher and non-kosher, and between many other things to know what is proper and what is not <> and one late entry for you to figure out <> <> for HaChodesh, there is the Moon in its newness <> matza <> SHIMURIM (canned goods) for LEIL SHIMURIM <> one Unexplained for the HaChodesh Maftir