



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

VAYEIRA

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The short length of chain is for the SHALSHELET, the trop mark that occurs only four times in the Torah - the one in Vayeira, the first, on the word VAYIT-MAH-MA, and he (Lot) lingered...

CHAYEI SARA

400 silver pieces that Avraham handed over to... • EFRON (pencil = IPARON, heteronym of EFRON) . V'LIVKOTAH is written with a small KAF - a small kaf (demi-tasse spoon) • G-d blessed Avraham BAKOL. One opinion is that this blessing included a precious gem that had miraculous curative powers · Speech-bubble with a chain in it, standing for VAYOMAR, and he (Eliezer) said, which is read with the SHALSHELET (chain) note · BARUCH HASHEM was said by Eliezer (Others in Chumash who said B"H are No'ach and Yitro. **B'RUCH** Lavan got close, with HASHEM. So did Avimelech to Yitzchak) · two gold bracelets that Eliezer gave to Rivka • the chumus & salad plate that was served to Eliezer. which he refused to eat until his 'business' was done. Good thing he

waited because it was poison (which it is now labeled) · CHUPA × 2 is for Yitzchak's marriage to Rivka and Avraham's to Ketura • Gift for Rivka and her family, as well as the gifts Avraham gave to the children of Ketura - and play-on-words, gift is a MINCHA, the davening of which is attributed to Yitzchak, end of the sedra · The word TEREM appears eight times in the Torah, twice in Chayei Sara. That's the logo of Terem • There is the logo of MASA, an Israeli non-profit organization that enables thousands of Jewish youth to spend a semester or a year in Israel in any of over 160 programs, helping them build a life-long relationship with Israel and a firm commitment to Jewish life, MASA is also one of the sons of Yishmael. Different spelling. but very close in sound · A son of Yishmael was KEIDAR, spelled the same and sounding similar to KADAR, which is a potter - as in Harry Potter • The logo of Chevron gas company is for Chevron, if you pronounce the CH as in CHANUKA . There are two dots SH'VA - this is a forming a sound-alike for a grandson Avraham's via Ketura · The bison is called a M'RI in modern Hebrew. It's mentioned in the haftara, but it probably referred to a different animal. Likely that the haftara is referring to a different member of the bovine family or a description of a bull or cow • The question-marked

chair is from the haftara - who will sit on David's throne after his death? . The badge is Agent 99's of Control. She was a SOCHENET, a term describing Avishag in the haftara . Charlie the tuna - he stands for Y'TUR NAFISH whose name sounds like "your tuna fish" • Water with an eye is EIN HAMAYIM • Lauren Bacall = BAKOL. She was named the 20th greatest female star of classic Hollywood cinema. She was born Betty Joan Perske to Jewish parents. Related to Shimon Peres. Married out twice. She died at age 90 in 2014 · Sandy Kofax, a great-great-greatgreat-...grandson of Rivka Imeinu, was a baseball pitcher, as in the pitcher she carried on her shoulder, from which she gave a drink to with which Eliezer. and repeatedly filled the trough to water the camels • 4 baseball bats, 1 cricket bat, and two bats (the only true flying mammals). All together we BAT-SHEVA, from the haftara • 10 GIMALIM on the AYIN (see 24:30) · color markers are called TUSHIM in Hebrew. With the L' we get L'TUSHIM - descendants of Avraham via K'tura • tennis great, Arthur Asche, for EIFER in Avraham's humble self-description and the name of one another of Avraham's offspring from K'tura • Kedem and KEIDMA, from the place to which the Yishmael clan migrated • Zodiac wheel is for the opinion that BAKOL means that Avraham was a

astrologer who well-known was sought out by many kings noblemen • the cave with multiplication equations is for **M'ARAT** HAMACHPEILA · the baby is in MID-YAWN (oldie but goodie) - one of Avraham's sons from Ketura • B or D lying down is a famous mnemonic device for remembering the names of the two types of camels - the D on its back resembles the single hump of the dromedary camel and the B on its back is for the two-humped camel, the Bactrian. (Bonus fact: 90% of the world's camels are one-humped.) . Lavan said P-KNEE-T HABAYIT, I have cleaned up the house and there is room for Eliezer and his camels . the circle of water is the logo of the company NEVIOT - close sound-alike to NEVAYOT, Yishmael's eldest son · if you say A4 with a Brooklyn (or Boston) accent, if sounds like EIFA, one of Midyan's sons · Betty WHITE is for Lavan · Rabbi Chanoch Yeres (PhiloTorah columnist - among other things he does) is for CHANOCH, one of Avraham's grandsons from Ketura. Bonus fact: Chanoch is the name of more different people than any other name in the Torah - this Chanoch is spelled without a VAV. These others, with: Son of Kayin, son of Yered and father of Metushelach, son of Reuven. That's four different people in Torah with the same name. • The five HEIs are for the ones missing from the word NAARA · Avshalom

Kor and Natan Sharansky are for two people mentioned in the haftara • n × 10 to the 7th is for Lavan's blessing to Rivka that she should be the mother of ALFEI R'VAVA, thousands of myriads. $1000 \times 10,000 = 10,000,000$ which is 10 to the 7th power. Multiply it by n (any number) because ALFEI is in the plural • there are two logos, one of a place and one of an organization yours to figure out · symbol for towards the east and a bottle of Kedem grape juice - for KEIDMA EL ERETZ KEDEM, the direction that Avraham sent his children from Ketura • Megila is for the other 127 • and 2 Unexplaineds