

Rosh Chodesh Kislev

Snapple Facts

1. The first rainbow observed after the flood was seen in Kislev.
2. Women are also obligated in lighting the menorah because they also took part in the miracle.
3. The sign for Kislev is the arching bow to remind us of the rainbow and our responsibility to be guardians over the earth.
4. You are not allowed to use egg shells or hollowed out vegetables to make the menorah since this disgraces the mitzvah.
5. Since it is incorrect to pass over a mitzvah, a person lighting the menorah should stand slightly to the left of the menorah. If he stood on the right side, he would have to pass over the other lights before kindling the left-most side first.
6. The meaning of Kislev is trust and security.



Important Dates

- 1 Kislev– Egyptian plague of Sh'chin began.
- 2 Kislev– Yahrzeit of HaRav Aharon Kotler, 1962.
- 3 Kislev– First Nazi mass-murder of Warsaw Jews, 1939.
- 4 Kislev– A delegation of Babylonian Jews arrived in Jerusalem to ask Zechariah if Tish'a b'Av should be discontinued. (This was asked during the construction of the second beis hamikdash.)
- 11 Kislev– Yeshiva University received its charter, first American university under Jewish auspices, 1945.
- 14 Kislev– First plane of Operation Magic Carpet bringing Yemenite Jews to Israel, 1948.
- 25 Kislev– first day of Chanukah
Cain killed Abel.
- 27 Kislev– The Flood rains stopped.



Chanukah Gematria

Directions: Find the letter for each number and find the phrase that it spells out. Whoever finds the phrases in the allotted time will receive a prize!
Good Luck!!

#1.

300- 4- 8, 10- 80- 5, 10- 1, 2- 5

#2.

3- 50- 10- 40- 100, 7- 10- 70, 5- 20- 6- 50- 8

#3.

40- 300, 5- 10- 5, 30- 6- 4- 3, 60- 50

#4.

!!! 50- 6- 10- 200- 2- 1, 6- 9, 2- 6- 9, 300- 4- 8

Food For Thought.....

The Greek goal was to uproot Judaism by making decrees prohibiting the practice of Jewish laws so they would assimilate. How would you feel and what would you do if the U.S government started making laws to prohibit Judaism? (This actually happened recently in the Soviet Union!)