



# Jewish Literacy Programme

## Year 5 ~ Week 21

This week's סדרה:

English Translation	Chumash Words / Phrases
I / I love peace	אָנִי \ אָנִי אוֹהֵב שְׁלוֹם
you (masc., pl.) / you are eating a meal	אַתֶּם \ אַתֶּם אוֹכְלִים סְעוּדָה
he / he learns Torah all the time	הוּא \ הוּא לוֹמֵד תּוֹרָה תָּמִיד
she / she also learns Torah all the time	הִיא \ הִיא גַם לוֹמֵדֶת תּוֹרָה תָּמִיד
we / we are a big family	אַנְחֵנוּ \ אַנְחֵנוּ מְשַׁפְּחָה גְדוֹלָה
they (masc.) / they went to guard the border	הֵם \ הֵם הִלְכוּ לְשָׁמֹר אֶת הַגְּבוּל

### Explanation

### Jewish Communal Organisations (1)

### G.K. Words

The **London Bet Din** is also known as the Court of the Chief Rabbi. It is consulted by Rabbis and many other individuals both in England and abroad, as well as by other בְּתֵי דִין throughout Europe. **The Bet Din deals with a vast range of questions on all areas of הלכה** (Jewish Law). The **Bet Din** is responsible for דיני תורה (court cases), ברית מילה, שחיטה, כְּשָׁרוֹת, publishing Shabbat times, Orthodox conversion, adoption and many other areas. People contact the Rabbis on the Bet Din all the time with many שאלות (questions) relating to personal or communal issues of הלכה.

#### The London Bet Din



Previous Rosh Bet Din, Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu supervising wine production in Gibraltar

#### The Kashrut Division:

**The largest single department of the London Bet Din is the Kashrut Division**, which licenses over 100 caterers, bakeries, restaurants, food manufacturers, delis and shops, supervises about 3000 catered events per year, and certifies almost 700 factories worldwide.



Previous Rosh Bet Din, Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu with current Rosh Bet Din Dayan Menachem Gelley

**The Kashrut Division produces 'The Really Jewish Food Guide'** listing several thousand products that have been approved by the Bet Din on the basis of research by its Food Technologists into ingredients and various types of equipment.

**London Bet Din  
Kashrut Division**  
[www.kosher.org.uk/](http://www.kosher.org.uk/)

The 'London Committee of Deputies of British Jews,' which is now known as the **Board of Deputies of British Jews**, was established in 1760. When Moses Montefiore was President of the Board (from 1835 to 1874) it came to be recognised as the representative body of British Jewry and its name became known overseas.

#### The Board of Deputies of British Jews

[www.bod.org.uk/](http://www.bod.org.uk/)



Moses Montefiore

**There are currently around 300 Deputies. They have regular meetings, in which many communal issues and needs are discussed and decisions are made.**

Examples of the Board's work include: **combatting anti-semitism, protection of Shechita, work in Jewish Education, Press Information and Jewish Emergency Aid.**

In 1866, the then Chief Rabbi Nathan Marcus Adler invited the Honorary Officers of three London synagogues to eat in his Sukkah on the first day of Sukkot, and suggested to them that there were advantages in forming a closer union. Eventually, after much discussion, on the 14th July 1870, the Royal Assent was given to an Act of Parliament entitled '**The Jewish United Synagogues Act**' which brought the union into being.

#### The United Synagogue



Chief Rabbi  
Nathan  
Marcus  
Adler

**Today, many synagogues, schools, the London Bet Din and other communal organisations and programmes come under the United Synagogue.** [www.theus.org.uk/](http://www.theus.org.uk/)

#### The CST ensures the safety and security of the Jewish community in Britain.

The CST is the Jewish community's only defence organisation. It has about 3000 volunteers throughout the country who have been trained by the CST and the Police, so that they can provide the highest level of security for the Jewish community.

#### The Community Security Trust

[www.cst.org.uk/](http://www.cst.org.uk/)