



The human being is by far the most fascinating being created by Hashem. So unique are we, that no other being on this planet sheds tears or blushes. Everything from how the human brain uses 20% of the body's energy but is only 2% of the body's weight, to how a human thigh bone is stronger than concrete. The average speed drivers cruise at on a highway is often the same as the speed of a sneeze, clocking in at about 60mph. Additionally, below are just a handful of the most fascinating characteristics of our bodies.

A human heart beats 100,000 times a day. It takes the interaction of 72 different muscles to produce human speech. The liver performs over 500 functions. The strongest muscle in the human body is the tongue. If stomachs did not have a lining of mucus, the stomach would digest itself. There are 60,000 miles of blood vessels in the human body.

**Hints & Answers\*** **SHMIRAS SHABBOS:** The *Mishna Berura* (340:17) rules that it is permitted to eat something that has writing on it. **RHYMES:** "seek", "bliss"  
**RIDDLES:** **1.** Moshe Rabbeinu. On the verse "Moshe sent to call Dathan and Aviram..." Rashi comments: "From here we learn that one should not persist in a dispute, because Moshe sought them out to conciliate them with peaceful words."  
**2.** The mouth of the earth that swallowed all the men who were with Korah. **3.** The word "הנה" On the verse 18:8, Rashi comments: "The word הנה is an expression of joy".  
\*Note: The answers are based only on the sources quoted and might not reflect opinions of other halachic authorities. As such, Menucha's answer are not to be taken as final decisions in halacha, but rather as a springboard for discussions, further study, and questions to a posek, etc.



## Halacha Challenge

### Eating a Jelly Belly Candy



There was a great variety of desserts at the Goldberg's Shabbos day *seuda*: cakes, cookies, pudding, grapes, watermelon, and even Jelly Belly candy.

Shmuli took a handful of jelly beans and put them on his plate. Shortly afterwards, he took one candy and was about to eat when

his brother, Chaim yelled out, "Wait, Shmuli!"

Shmuli, while holding the jelly bean an inch from his mouth, turned to Chaim and asked, "What's wrong?!"

"Look!" said Chaim, "That jelly bean has the words Jelly Belly written on it! If you'll eat this candy, you'll be erasing that writing! Erasing is the melacha of *Mochek!*"

**Question:** Can Shmuli eat the Jelly Belly candy now?

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Dedicated anonymously for yeshuos and refuos to all Klal Yisroel





## Parsha Pearls

The day of Korach's rebellion, Moshe sent a messenger to Dasan and Aviram to summon them so that he could solve the dispute. They utterly refused (see Bamidbar 16:12-14). Yet the next morning, Moshe did something unprecedented. The Torah says, וַיָּקָם מֹשֶׁה וַיֵּלֶךְ... אֶל-דָּתָן וְאֶבְרָם... (Bamidbar 16:25) And on this verse, citing the words of the Midrash, Rashi writes: כסבור שיסאו לו פנים (Moshe thought that they would respect him [and agree to end the dispute]).

In light of who Dathan and Aviram were and in light of how they reacted to Moshe's request to make peace on the previous day, Moshe nevertheless thought that now they will respect his words!

The Torah is demonstrating to us that a Jew should always project positively!



## Ask Around Your Shabbos Table

In this week's parsha, Rashi comments: *"Now what made Korach decide to quarrel with Moshe? He envied the chieftainship of Elizaphan the son of Uzziel whom Moshe appointed ..."* (Rashi to Bamidbar 16:1)

*Ask Around Your Table:* Jealousy was the root cause of Korach's downfall. But what is the root cause of jealousy?

*Answer:* The cause of jealousy is looking at another Jew as a person who is separate from you. By realizing that all of us are connected to each other and we are like one being, instead of being jealous of someone who has something that you don't, you will rejoice when you see his blessings (based on Tomer Devorah, chapter 1, *"lish'eris nachalaso"*).



## Rhymes for Kids



A great lesson from parsha we learn this week.  
Shalom with your friends you should always \_\_\_!  
Moshé Rabbzinu is the one who taught us this!  
So follow this way, and give your soul a true \_\_\_.



## Parsha Trivia & Riddles



1. Always try to pursue peace! Who taught us this lesson in parshas Korach?
2. I appear in this week's parsha. I am neither a plant, an animal nor a person. But I make movements and make sounds. What am I?
3. Amidst this parsha (Korach) that has many moments that are sad find a word in the parsha that's an expression of *simcha*! (Hint: You'll need Rashi's help.)

## ? DID YOU KNOW THAT ?

You probably knew that we grow from our mistakes. But did you know that there might be a hint to it in the actual Hebrew word "mistake"? In Hebrew, a mistake is "שגגה". And "he will make a mistake" in Hebrew is: "ישגה". But if we replace the "shinn" with a "sinn" (which is allowable for a *drasha*), then the word is ישגה! - which means "he will grow", For example this word is used in the following verse:

צְדִיק כְּתֹמֵר יִפְרָח כְּאֶרֶץ בְּלִבְנוֹן יִשְׁגָּה (Tehillim 92).

It appears that the message is obvious: A tzadik grows from his own mistakes!