

ידיעות כלליות

Basic Jewish Knowledge

Please answer the questions below to the best of your ability. You may use extra paper if you need it.

Because this is all basic knowledge, all students are required to earn a 90% on this test during their 8th grade year to graduate. You can take this test as often as needed to earn this passing grade.

- 1) List every Hebrew month. Include in each month: a) the name and date of any Chag or Taanit, b) something about the history or reason for each Chag or Taanit, c) some basic ways we observe the Chag or Taanit.

- 2) List each sefer in the Chumash.

- 3) List each sefer in Nevi'im Rishonim.

- 4) List every Seder in the Mishna.

- 5) List EACH of the Avot and Imahot AND tell where (both place and city) each is buried.

- 6) List each of the Tribes.

- 7) List each of the "Ten Commandments."

- 8) List ten things I may not do on Shabbat.

- 9) Tell me three bodies of water next to Eretz Yisrael/Medinat Yisrael.

10) Tell me five cities in Eretz Yisrael AND why they are important.

11) The capital of the State of Israel is _____.

12) Tell me the first three kings of Bnei Yisrael and something important each did.

13) Tell me five great Rabbis who lived in the last 200 years AND why they are important.

14) Put the following events in order.

____ Rashi writes his commentary to Chumash.

____ the Second Bet haMidash is destroyed.

____ the Rambam writes the Mishna Torah

____ the Chafetz Chaim is written

____ the Jews are expelled from Spain

____ Moshe Rebbenu dies

____ Hillel and Shammai teach Torah

15) Match the following with the correct books.

_____ Rabbi Yehuda haNassi

_____ Rabba and Abbye

_____ Rav Yosef Karo

_____ Rav Yisrael Kagen

_____ David heMelech

_____ Shulchan Aruch

_____ the Gemara

_____ the Mishna

_____ Tehillim

_____ Chafetz Chayim

16) Translate to Ivrit.

North _____ South _____ East _____
West _____ Spring _____ Summer _____
Fall _____ Winter _____ Beginning _____ End _____

17) What does each part of the acronym תנ"ך mean?

18) List every letter in the Hebrew alphabet and its Gematria (numerical value).

Example: א=1

19) Write out the complete bracha for the following.

a) A cookie:

b) Apple juice:

c) Grape juice

d) A carrot

e) After going to the bathroom

20) Write the following "Rashi script letters" in regular Ivrit script.:

ו _____ ז _____ ט _____ ס _____ כ _____ נ _____ ט _____