

## For the Teacher Tu B'shvat Kahoot Explanations

### Tu B'shvat



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This Game was developed by Masuah, with support from United and Misrad Hatefutzot. The Kahoot you have here was made with Kahoot Pro+ and you will find some special features that are less well known in general, but help make the game more robust. Some questions are typical asking respondents to select the correct answer. In some instances the player is asked to identify what is inaccurate or to put answers in the right order. On certain occasions the participants have to write the answers or choose them through photos. There are times when the correct answer is a number that participants have to choose from a numerical scale. In the questions in which you will find videos, the leader must direct participants to start answering only after completing viewing the entire clip.

It should be emphasized with participants that it is essential to take the time to comprehend the questions and not merely rush through for the sake of answering. After each question or at the end of the game (once the game is over, it is possible to show all the correct answers and what percentage of the participants answered them), it is highly advisable to take the time to delve into each of the questions so that in addition to the excitement of the competition, the content exposed through the game is fully comprehended.

**Link to the game:** <https://create.kahoot.it/share/tu-b-shvat-masuah-united-english/662f7bfc-5b8a-4bd4-8980-8ac3370e1d5d>

### Elaborations on the Questions of the "Tu B'shvat" Kahoot

2 - Quiz  
Where does Tu-B'shvat first appear in our sources?

<input type="checkbox"/>	In the Gemara (Talmud)	✗
<input type="checkbox"/>	In the Zohar	✗
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In the Mishna	✓
<input type="checkbox"/>	In the Tanakh	✗

It is exactly listed in the first mishna of the Rosh Hashana tractate, as can be seen from the explanation of the following question.

3 - Quiz  
The Mishna (tractate Rosh Hashana) talks about four different types of Rosh Hashana. Another name for Tu-B'shvat is...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Rosh Hashana for Kings and Festivals ראש השנה למלכים ולרגלים	✗
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rosh Hashana for the Tithing of the Animals מעשר בהמה	✗
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rosh Hashana for Years, Sabbatical and the Jubilee years שנים, שמיטה ויובל	✗
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rosh Hashana for the trees ראש השנה לאילנות	✓

"There are four beginnings of the year: the first of Nisan – Rosh Hashana for kings and feasts. The first of Elul – Rosh Hashana for the tithing of animals. The first of Tishrei is Rosh Hashana for: the years, the Sabbatical Year, and the Jubilee Year for plantations and vegetables. The first of Shvat - Rosh Hashana for trees so said the school of Shammai. The school of Hillel says that the **15th of Shvat is Rosh Hashana for trees.**" (Mishna Rosh Hashana 1:1)

ארבעה ראשי שנים הם: באחד בניסן ראש השנה למלכים ולרגלים, באחד באלול ראש השנה למעשר בהמה... באחד בתשרי ראש השנה לשנים ולשמיטין וליובלות לנטיעה ולירקות, באחד בשבט ראש השנה לאילן כדברי בית שמאי, בית הלל אומרים בחמשה עשר בו.

(מסכת ראש השנה פרק א משנה א)

4 - Quiz

By whom and when did they establish the tradition of a Tu-B'Shvat seder with fruits from the land of Israel?



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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Kabbalists of Tzfat 400 Years Ago     | ✓ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | The Prophets 2800 Years Ago               | ✗ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Members of the First Aliyah 140 Years Ago | ✗ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai 1900 years ago    | ✗ |

Tzfat was an important Kabbalistic center that developed based on different sages who arrived in the city after the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, where different traditions emerged that are transmitted and practiced to this day, including the Seder Tu Bishvat.

5 - Puzzle

There is a custom in the seder of Tu-B'Shvat to drink 4 cups of wine. In what order are the cups taken?



- |                                     |                                            |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Glass of white wine                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Glass of white wine with a little red wine |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Glass of red wine with a little white wine |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Glass of red wine                          |

The cups, among other things, represent different times of the year in nature and the colors that dominate it.

6 - Slider

On Tu-B'shvat we remember the special fruits and grains of the Land of Israel. How many does the Torah list?





A land of wheat and barley, of vineyards, fig and pomegranate trees, a land of olive groves, oil and honey.  
Devarim 8:8

אֶרֶץ חִטָּה וְשֵׁעֶרָה וְגִבְעוֹן וְתַאֲנֶה וְרִמּוֹן אֶרֶץ זֵית שֶׁמֶן וְדִבְשׁ: (דברים פרק ח, ה)

7 The image here is only intended to be able to identify and see the *shivat haminin* – seven species of Israel.



8 - Quiz

Where in Israel can we find the largest wheat harvest in the country?



- In the Negev נגב ✓
- In the Sharon area אזור השרון ✗
- South of Mount Hebron דרום הר חברון ✗
- In the Galil גליל ✗

In the Negev there are large tracts of flat land where large quantities of wheat can be grown.

9 - Quiz

Who discovered in Israel the species of wheat called "The Predecessor of Wheat" "אם החיטה"?



20 sec

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Aharon Aharonson from the NILI Leaders   | ✓ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Chaim Waitzman from the Zionist Movement | ✗ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | John Walker, the famous whiskey producer | ✗ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | There is no "Predecessor of Wheat"       | ✗ |

Aharon Aharonson grew up in the moshav of Zichron Yaacov. He was an agronomist well known for his professional achievements and the help he gave to the *yishuv* members to free themselves from the Turks during World War I. He was a member of the Zionist NILI organization.

10 - Quiz

Which Biblical woman we read about on a Jewish holiday went to a field to gather stalks of wheat?



20 sec

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|-------------------------------------|-------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Ester | ✗ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Leah  | ✗ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Ruth  | ✓ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Naomi | ✗ |

Megillat Ruth chapter 2, verses 22 and 23, refers to Ruth going to gather wheat from Boaz's field. And the story of Ruth is read in the synagogue on Shavuot, which is the time of the wheat harvest in Israel. In Hebrew, Shavuot is also referred to as *chag hakatzir* – "The Harvest Festival."

11 - Type answer

What famous alcoholic beverage is made from barley שער?



60 sec

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|-------------------------------------|------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beer | ✓ |
|-------------------------------------|------|---|

12 - True or false

The counting of the Omer is related to barley שְׁעוּרָה



True



False



The Omer was an offering made up from the first stalks of barley harvested in the season. Leviticus 23:15 states: "And from the day on which you bring the sheaf of elevation offering – the day after the sabbath – you shall count off seven weeks."

13 - Type answer

Which of the *shivat haminim* - seven species - can be found in the symbol of the State of Israel?



Olive tree



olive tree



zait



זית



In this question, students have to write the correct answer. On either side of Israel's coat of arms are two clusters of olive trees. The shield is based on the prophecy of the prophet Zecharia 4:11 -


"Then I spoke and said to him, 'What are these two olive trees on the right and left of the menorah?' "

נָאֲעַן וְאָמַר אֵלָיו מִה־שָּׁנֵי הַזֵּיתִים הָאֵלֶּה עַל־יְמִין הַמְּנוֹרָה וְעַל־שְׂמֹאלָהּ:



14 - Quiz  
The dove with a cluster of olive branches is a symbol of Peace. Which character in Tanakh is it related to?









	Adam	
	Abraham	
	Noah	
	David	

Bereishit 8:11 "The dove returned to him in the evening, and behold, an olive branch—a leaf in its beak. And Noah knew that the waters had resided from the earth."

וַתָּבֵא אֵלָיו הַיּוֹנָה לַעֵת עֶרֶב וְהָיָה עֹלֵה-זֵית וְיָת טָרַף בְּפִיהָ בַיּוֹם נָח כִּי-קָלוּ הַמַּיִם מֵעַל הָאָרֶץ:

15 - Quiz  
Which of the *shivat haminim* - seven species - makes up one of the *arbaat haminim* - four species in the Lulav



The correct answer is the Tamar - the date tree. Date branches are used in the Lulav.



16 - Quiz

Which of the fruits of the *shivat haminim* – seven species - is the symbol of Israel's Ministry of Tourism?



Teena-Figs



Tamar-Date



Rimon-Pomegranate



Guefen-Grapes



The Torah tells us that the 12 spies Moses sent to **explore** the Promised Land went לתור הארץ את לתור "to investigate the land." From the word *latur* the word *tayarut* was coined in modern Hebrew meaning tourism. The Israel Ministry of Tourism is called in Hebrew *Misrad Hatayarut*.

Referring to the spies the Torah (Bamidbar 13:23) tells us that when they arrived in the Nachal (valley) Eshkol: "... A branch and a cluster of grapes were cut there. And they carried it on a rod between the two of them."

The symbol of the Ministry of Tourism has two people carrying a huge cluster of grapes supported by two poles between them both.

17 - Quiz

Making a blessing over wine - is part of many Jewish ceremonies. In which of the following does it NOT have a part?



Kiddush on Shabbat and Chagim-Feasts



Hanukka Celebrations



Brit mila and marriages



At the Passover Seder



While on Chanukah we are joyful for the holiday, there is no specific Mitzvah of having a festive meal, of doing Kiddush, or making the blessing Bore Pri Haguafen, בורא פרי הגפן.

18 - True or false

The fig tree -teena- is the first fruit tree mentioned in the Torah and has to do with Adam and Eve



True



False

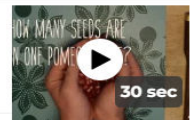


Bereishit 3:7 - "And the eyes of both of them were unveiled, and they perceived that they were naked, and they sewed together fig leaves, and made themselves loincloths."

ותפלקנה עיני שניהם ויגדעו כי עירמם הם ויתפרו עלה תאנה ויעשו להם תגרת:

19 - Slider

Pomegranate is associated with mitzvot of the Torah due to its many seeds. How many seeds can be found within it?



613



In Talmud Brachot 57 it says: "The members of the people of Israel are as full of Mitzvot as a pomegranate." Mitzvot in total number 613, hence the association was made that in the pomegranate there are the same amount of seeds as the amount of Mitzvot. The first source that explicitly says that there are 613 seeds in the Rimon is found in the writings of the Chatam Sofer, a prominent rabbi in Europe two centuries ago.

The number of seeds from one pomegranate to another can vary, in some there may be more than 613 seeds or there may be fewer and there are those who say that on average there are 613 seeds.

20 - Quiz

How long can you keep a pomegranate out of the refrigerator after harvesting it?



Depends on the date on the package



Over a month



Two weeks



One year



21 - Slider

On Tu-B'Shvat people often plant trees following the example of the chalutzim. What year did that practice begin?



1884



Source: <http://www.zionistarchives.org.il/tags/Pages/Netiot.aspx>

22 - Word cloud

In two words maximum, what is the importance of planting forests?



Players type their answers as free-form text up to 20 characters. Their answers will be visualized as a word cloud on the big screen, like in this example.

Open-ended question in which students can express themselves after watching the video

23 - Quiz

How many kilos of oxygen does a single tree produce in a year?



700



400



200



1200



The background information appears in the video.

24 - Quiz

Mark all correct answers. Thanks to the KKL and its tree planting activities...



- |                                     |                                                               |   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Israel ended the 20th century with more trees than it began   | ✓ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Green space has been increased in the desert                  | ✓ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jews will celebrate a simcha by planting trees in Israel      | ✓ |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Israel is the country with the most green spaces in the world | ✗ |

While Israel is a country that is gaining ground in forrestation, it still has vast regions that are not yet green spaces.