

THE 39 MELACHOS OF SHABBOS

(Mishnah, Shabbos 73a)

	שם המלאכה	NAME OF MELACHAH	DESCRIPTION	WHERE DISCUSSED
1.	הזורע	HA'ZORE'A	planting; causing plants to grow	see Shabbos 73a
2.	החורש	V'HA'CHORESH	plowing; preparing the earth for planting	see Shabbos 73b, 103a
3.	הקוצר	HA'KOTZER	harvesting; detaching a plant	see Shabbos 81b, 107b
4.	המעמר	HA'ME'AMER	gathering; collecting natural produce into a bundle	see Shabbos 73b, 143b
5.	והדש	HA'DASH	threshing; separating a natural product from its natural container (e.g. wheat from chaff)	see Shabbos 95a, 143b
6.	הזורה	HA'ZOREH	winnowing; using the wind to separate wanted from unwanted objects	see Shabbos 73b
7.	הבורר	HA'BORER	selecting; separating desirable items from undesirable ones (or vice versa) in a mixture	see Shabbos 74a, 139b
8.	הטוחן	HA'TOCHEN	grinding; breaking down a substance into small, usable pieces	see Shabbos 74b
9.	המרקד	HA'MERAKED	sifting; separating mixed objects with a strainer	see Shabbos 138a
10.	הלש	HA'LASH	kneading; combining particles with liquid to form a dough or paste	see Shabbos 18a
11.	האופה	HA'OFEH	baking; changing the physical state of a substance by heating it	see Shabbos 36b
12.	הגוזז את הצמר	HA'GOZEZ ES HA'TZEMER	shearing wool; detaching non- living parts from a person or animal	see Shabbos 74b, 94b
13.	המלבנו	HA'MELABNO	bleaching; freeing material from unwanted dirt, stains, dust, etc.	see Shabbos 141a, 147b
14.	המנפצו	HA'MENAPTZO	combing; untangling clumps of raw material into separate strands	see Shabbos 105b
15.	הצובעו	HA'TZOV'O	dyeing; changing or reinforcing color	see Shabbos 18a
16.	הטווה	HA'TOVEH	spinning; twisting a strand of fiber into thread	see Shabbos 64a, 105b
17.	המיסך	HA'MEISACH	threading a loom; tying the thread from the front to the back roller	see Shabbos 75b
18.	העושה שתי בתי נירין	HA'OSEH SHTEI BATEI NIRIN	threading the harness (of the loom) with two threads; inserting two threads through the rings (one in each harness)	see Shabbos 105a
19.	האורג שני חוטין	HA'OREG SHENEI CHUTIN	weaving two threads; pulling the thick latitudinal thread across the longitudinal threads which adds a new row to the material	see Shabbos 105a
20.	הפוצע שני חוטין	HA'POTZE'A SHENEI CHUTIN	(a) and thinning threads (RASHI); (b) untwisting threads (RE'AH cited by the Ran); (c) undoing a weave (RAMBAM Hilchos Shabbos 9:20); (d) cutting or removing the cloth from the loom rollers (RA'AVAD)	see Shabbos 73a
21.	הקושר	HA'KOSHER	tying; making a permanent or professional knot	see Shabbos 111b
22.	המתיר	HA'MATIR	untying; undoing a permanent or professional knot	see Shabbos 111b
23.	התופר שתי תפירות	HA'TOFER SHTEI TEFIROS	sewing two stitches; attaching two materials to one another	see Shabbos 74b

24.	הקורע על מנת לתפור שתי תפירות	HA'KORE'A AL MENAS LITFOR SHTOI TEFIRO	tearing in order to sew two stitches; ripping apart material for a useful purpose	see Shabbos 105a
25.	הצד צבי	HA'TZAD TZVI	trapping a deer; restricting the movement of an undomesticated living creature for its use	see Shabbos 106a
26.	השוחט	HA'SHOCHATO	slaughtering; shortening the life of a living creature for its use	see Shabbos 107b
27.	המפשיט	HA'MAFSHITO	skinning; separating the skin from the flesh of a dead animal	see Shabbos 78b
28.	המולחו	HA'MOLCHO	salting the skin (the Gemara asks that this is the same as the next Melachah, tanning, and substitutes for one of them SIRTUT , marking the skin, or outlining a surface for a useful purpose)	see Shabbos 75b, 108b
29.	המעבד את עורו	HA'ME'ABED ES ORO	tanning; processing raw material physically or chemically	see Shabbos 75b, 108b
30.	הממחק	HA'MEMACHAKO	smoothing; rubbing an object to reduce its roughness or to form a shape	see Shabbos 50a, 75b
31.	הממחק	HA'MECHACHO	cutting to shape; altering the size or shape of an object for functional use	see Shabbos 74b
32.	הכותב שתי אותיות	HA'KOSEV SHTOI OSIYOS	writing two letters; creating meaningful images	see Shabbos 103a
33.	המוחק על מנת לכתוב שתי אותיות	HA'MOCHEK AL MENAS LICHTOV SHTOI OSIYOS	erasing in order to write two letters; cleaning a surface for writing	see Shabbos 75b
34.	הבונה	HA'BONEH	building; constructing or improving a structure	see Shabbos 102b
35.	הסותר	HA'SOSER	demolishing; destroying a structure to enable new construction	see Shabbos 31b
36.	המכבה	HA'MECHABEH	extinguishing (to produce charcoal); putting out a fire or reducing its intensity	see Shabbos 31b, 120a
37.	המבעיר	HA'MAV'IR	kindling a fire; igniting or prolonging combustion	see Shabbos 106a
38.	המכה בפטיש	HA'MAKEH B'PATISH	(a) hitting the hammer on the anvil to smooth it at after one's work is completed (RASHI); (b) beating a final blow with a hammer; applying the finishing touches to complete an object (TOSFOS 102b DH Makeh b'Patish); (c) striking a stone in a quarry to detach it after it has been almost completely hewn (RASHI 102b)	see Shabbos 102b
39.	המוציא מרשות לרשות	HA'MOTZI ME'RESHUS LI'RESHUS	transferring an object from a private domain to a public domain or vice versa	see Shabbos 2a
40.	המשרטט	HA'MESARTET	sketching lines on leather (NOT INCLUDED IN THE 39 LISTED)	see Shabbos 75b