

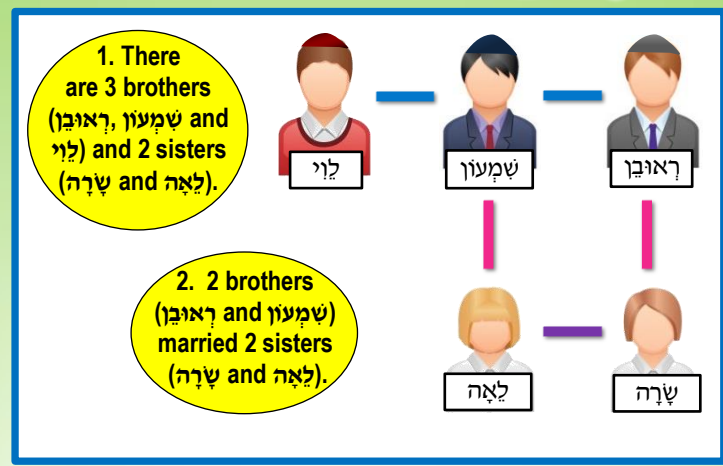
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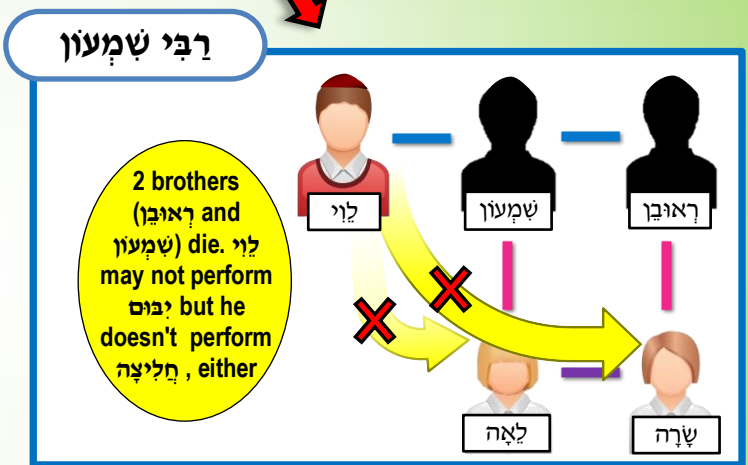
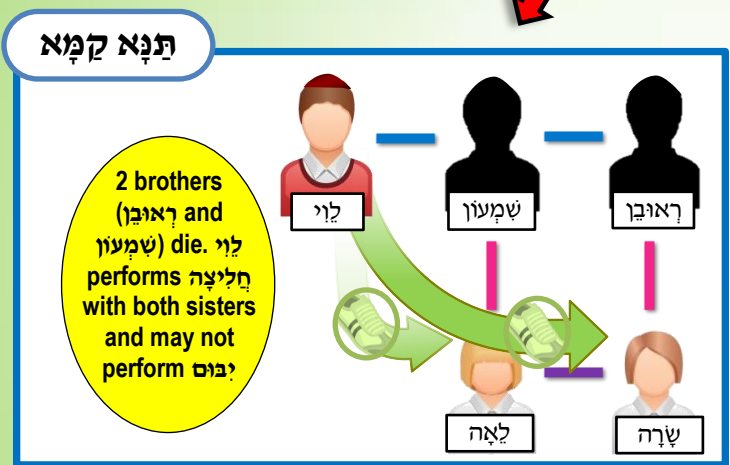
DAF YOMI4 Kids

Inside the Daf

WORD OF THE DAY:
לְכַתְּחֻלָּה
 "IDEALLY"



Did You Know...
 רבי יוחנן says that we do not worry that someone (healthy) will suddenly die. Although sudden death may happen, it is unlikely.



The משנה brings a case which we learned about in the last daf (see issue #12, pg. 61):

There were three brothers and two sisters. Two of the brothers married the two sisters and then died childless. We know that the living brother cannot perform יבום (levirate marriage) with *both* sisters since the Torah forbids marrying two sisters.

תנא קמא (First Tanna) says that the brother performs חליצה (removing a shoe) with both sisters. This ceremony takes away the living brother's responsibility to perform יבום with any of the sisters. After the brother's shoe is removed, each sister will be allowed to marry another man.

רבי שמעון says that the widows do not even have to perform חליצה. They are free to marry without this ceremony.

The Torah says, "You may not take a woman in addition to her sister, to make them enemies," (ויקרא יח, Lev. 18,18). This teaches that when two sisters fall to the same man for יבום, the man is not allowed to perform יבום. Since he may not perform יבום, חליצה is not needed, either.

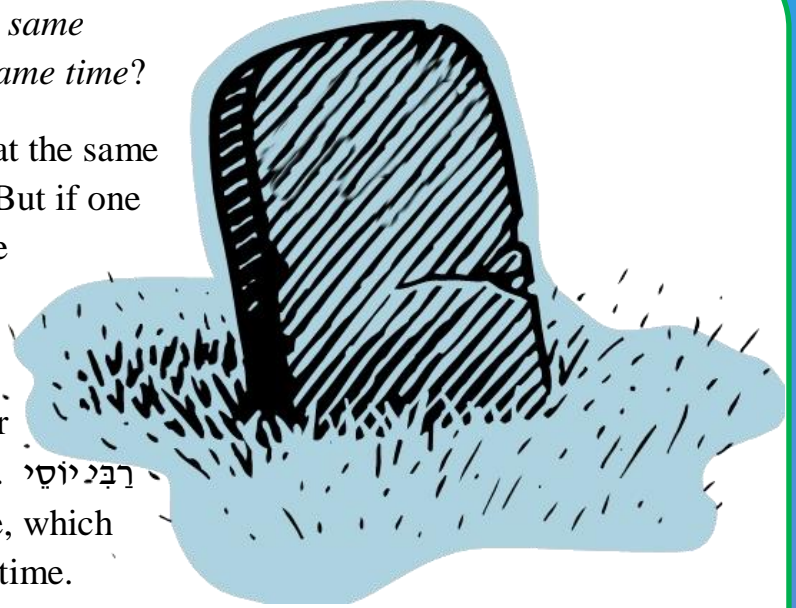
At the Same Time

Can two people snap their fingers at the *exact same time*? How about starting a race at the *exact same time*?

There are many actions that seem to be done at the same time. Two people sing in "perfect" harmony. But if one were to listen extra carefully one would notice that, in fact, one singer started to sing a little before the other one.

In the Talmud there is a disagreement whether two events can happen at the exact same time. רבנן יוסי says that two things can happen at once, which means two brothers can die at the exact same time.

If there are three brothers, two of whom are married to two sisters, and the married brothers die at the exact same time, the unmarried brother may not perform יבום on either sister.



WHICH TWO ARE THE SAME?



A Moment - מְדוּת

Sometimes the thoughts ran through Simon's mind. He couldn't help it, but every now and then he would worry that someone close to him would die. He shared these thoughts with his rabbi.

"We don't know what will happen in the future, Simon," said his rabbi, "but we do know that רבן יוחנן says we do not have to be worried that someone will die all of the sudden because such events are relatively uncommon."

Games

יבמות דף כ"ח - Review Questions

1. If two sisters fall to two brothers for יבום what do the brothers do (תנא קמא)?

2. According to רבן יוסי הגלילי, what can happen at the exact same time?

3 What is unlikely to happen according to רבן יוחנן?