

מסכת
 סוּפָה
 דף כג

DAF YOMI4 Kids

Inside the Daf

Have you ever been inside a סוּפָה built on a ship?

רבי עקיבא says that a סוּפָה built on a ship is כָּשֵׁר (valid) but רבן גמליאל says it is not.

Once, רבן גמליאל and רבי עקיבא were travelling on a ship during the סוכות holiday. רבי עקיבא built a סוּפָה on the top of the ship. The following day a wind blew in and toppled the סוּפָה.

"עקיבא!" cried רבן גמליאל, "where is your סוּפָה now?"

אבוי comments that both רבן גמליאל and רבי עקיבא agree that if a סוּפָה cannot hold up against a normal gust of wind on land that it is not כָּשֵׁר if built on a ship. They also agree that if the סוּפָה



would have been able to withstand a strong gust of wind on land that it would be כָּשֵׁר on the ship.

רבן גמליאל and רבי עקיבא disagree where the סוּפָה can hold up against a normal gust of wind by land but cannot hold up against a normal gust of sea wind which is stronger than land wind. רבן גמליאל requires a סוּפָה to be a קבוע דירת, or, "fixed dwelling," and since it cannot withstand normal sea wind it is not "fixed" enough. רבי עקיבא holds a סוּפָה must be a "דירת עראי," or, "temporary dwelling," and since it can withstand normal land wind, that's good enough – even at sea.

WORD OF THE DAY:



שָׁמָּא

"MAYBE / PERHAPS"



Did You Know...

רבי מאיר says a divorce document cannot be written on a live animal.

A Moment

Joshua was shocked with what he saw.

His friend Dovi's room was total sty. There were dirty clothes everywhere and pieces of half-eaten food in every corner.

"Dovi, how do you live in this?" asked Joshua.

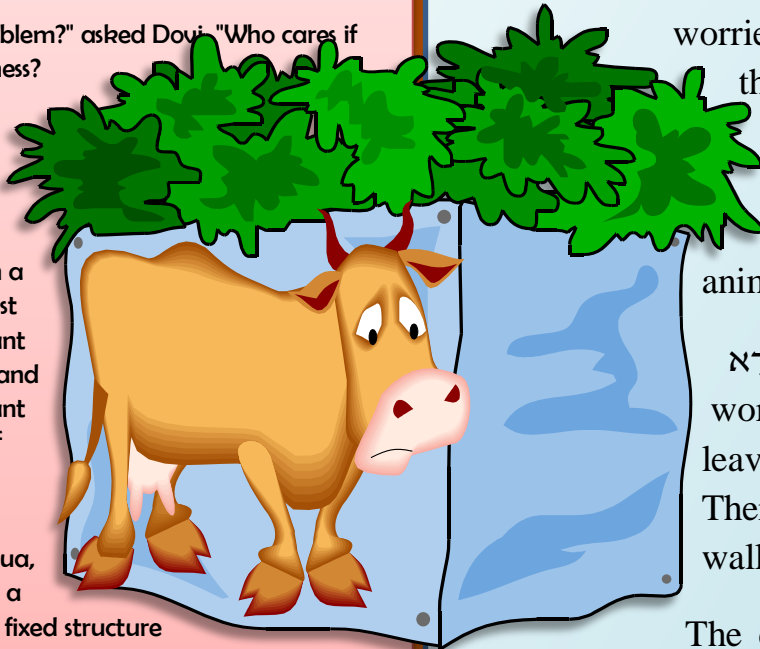
"What's the problem?" asked Dovi. "Who cares if my room is a mess?

This world isn't important at all. On סוכות we leave our comfortable homes to live in a סוכה to show just how unimportant our houses are and how unimportant the pleasures of this world are."

"But Dovi," challenged Joshua, "רַבֵּן גַּמְלִיאֵל says a סוכה must be a fixed structure and even רַבֵּי עֲקִיבָא says it must be permanent enough to withstand a normal wind. We still need to make sure we care about this world. That's why רַבֵּן גַּמְלִיאֵל says you cannot build a סוכה on a boat because it makes this world too 'temporary' and unimportant."

Dovi picked up a candy wrapper in the back of the room. "Want to come back later? Looks like I have a lot of work to do!"

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Animal-Business

I bet you've never seen an animal being used as a wall before. Believe it or not, רַבֵּי יְהוּדָה actually allows an animal to be used as a סוכה wall!

Not so רַבֵּי מְאִיר. Why not? רַבֵּי אֲבֵיי says we are worried the animal will die on the holiday. If the animal dies, it will fall down leaving the סוכה without a wall. (רַבֵּי יְהוּדָה thinks it is unlikely the animal will die.)

רַבֵּי מְאִיר says רַבֵּי זִירָא is worried the animal might run away leaving the סוכה without a wall! Therefore the animal may not be a wall in the first place.

The difference between these two reasons is if someone tied the animal up while using it as a wall. According to רַבֵּי אֲבֵיי who is worried the animal may die, even if the animal is tied up we worry it may die. According to רַבֵּי זִירָא who is worried the animal will run away, if the animal is tied up there is no worry about it escaping and, therefore, it may be used.

SHADOW MATCH

Match the shadows to the images in the picture.



Games

Review Questions – סוכה דף כ"ג

1. In what unusual place did רַבֵּי עֲקִיבָא once build a סוכה?

2. According to רַבֵּי מְאִיר what may not be used for a סוכה wall?

3. According to רַבֵּי מְאִיר what may not be written on a live animal?
