

CYH proudly presents:

A large, stylized illustration of a gift box. The box is white with a prominent red vertical stripe down the center. The top of the box is wrapped in white paper with a large, multi-looped red ribbon bow. The text 'MY GIFT TO THE REBBE' is printed in bold, red, sans-serif capital letters across the front of the box.

MY GIFT TO THE REBBE

הכנה ליום הבהיר י"א ניסן
מאה וארבע-עשרה שנה
להולדת כ"ק אדמו"ר נשיא דורנו



Dear Shluchim,

In 10 days is the Rebbe's birthday. Every year we create a 10 day birthday booklet to help you come prepared and give the Rebbe a gift.

This year we have done something unique – being as we are coming from אדר , every single day you will be learning one of the 10 הוראות ליום הולדת that the Rebbe started in honor of the Rebbetzin's birthday. Next to that will be a story of the Rebbe that connects to that הוראה.

As a present to the Rebbe from ילדי השלוחים worldwide we want to see how many lines of תניא we can learn בעל פה – every day there are two lines –make sure to learn them and send us a video of you learning them. If every child who joins this הכנה learns the two lines daily we will have over 20,000 lines of tanya learnt!! Send us in a video clip of you learning daily so we can create a video of presents for the Rebbe.

See you at the rally for יא ניסן!

הכנה ל י"א ניסן
יום הולדת ה'114
של כ"ק נשיא דורינו





Day 1: Sunday כ' ניסן

Story of the Rebbe

Reb Yechezkel Besser told the following story: One Friday Night I came with my son who was 5 years old to Daven. My son was looking everywhere for a siddur but couldn't find one. This was during the time of the פריעדיקער נשיאות and the רבי sat alone at a table. My young son didn't realize the Rebbe's position and saw a man sitting alone with no one davening next to him. He came and sat down next to him and started following along in his סידור – the חסידים motioned to him to leave but the רבי looked up and smiled and said 'He is davening really nicely with me...'

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת
Boys should have an שבת the עליה לתורה before their birthday and if their birthday falls out on the day we read the תורה then as well.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

בְּרַם צְרִיךְ לִהְיוֹת לְזַכְרוֹן
תָּמִיד רֵאשִׁית הָעֲבוּדָה
וְעִיקָרָה וְשִׁרְשָׁה. וְהוּא, כִּי אִף
שֶׁהִירָאָה הִיא שָׂרֵשׁ לְסוּר מִרְעַ
וְהֶאֱהָבָה לְוַעֲשֶׂה טוֹב, אִף עַל
פִּי כֵן לֹא צִי לְעוֹרֵר הָאֱהָבָה
לְבָדָה לְוַעֲשֶׂה טוֹב, וּלְפָחוֹת
צְרִיךְ לְעוֹרֵר תְּחִלָּה הִירָאָה
הַטְּבָעִית הַמְּסֻתָּרֶת בְּלֵב כָּל
יִשְׂרָאֵל



ג' ניסן Monday Day 2:

Story of the Rebbe

On the way to 770 to daven the Rebbe used to hand out coins to the children. Once on *תענית אסתר תשמ"א* before the Rebe went in for *סליחות* he gave a little child who was standing in the hallway a coin for *צדקה*. The child was trying to reach to put it in the pushka but he couldn't reach. The Rebbe moved his siddur from his hand to under his arm, bent down, and picked up the child! The Rebbe held up the little boy until he had put his coin into the pushka.

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should add in giving *שחרית* and *צדקה* before *מנחה* on the day of your birthday. If your birthday falls on *שבת* or *יום טוב* you should give extra before.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

שלא למרד במלך מלכי
המלכים הקדוש ברוך הוא
בנזכר לעיל, שתהא בהתגלות
לבו או מחו על כל פנים.
דהיינו להתבונן במחשבתו
על כל פנים גדלת אין סוף
ברוך



Day 3: Tuesday י"ס ז' 3

Story of the Rebbe

A תמים once complained to the Rebbe in יחידות about having thoughts not connected to davening pop into his head during davening. The Rebbe replied, "One suggestion is to daven from the Siddur, and if you want to daven with your eyes closed you should make sure that the page in the Siddur is open at the right place. If you find an intrusive thought in your head, you should open your eyes and look at the words on the page to banish these thoughts."

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should have extra during davening and think about the greatness of 'ה. You should try complete the but at least one ספר.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

הוא, ומלכותו אשר היא מלכות כל עולמים, עליונים ותחתונים, ואיהו ממלא כל עלמין וסובב כל עלמין, וכמו שכתוב: "הלא את השמים ואת הארץ אני מלא", ומניח העליונים ותחתונים

ה' ניסן Wednesday Day 4:

Story of the Rebbe

In honor of the Rebbe's 71st birthday, the חסידים (like every year) made a ניגון with the words from the Rebbe's new kapitel. – יפרח בימיו – Rabbi Zalman Jaffe said to the Rebbe that the words of the song should be צדיק – there is in OUR days a צדיק. The Rebbe gave a big smile and said – don't publicize that because then the Bochurim will print a new תהילים... :)

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should learn
about your new
קפיטעל תהילים

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

ומיחד מלכותו על עמו
ישראל בכלל, ועליו בפרט, כי
חייב אדם לומר: בשבילי נברא
העולם. והוא גם הוא מקבל
עליו מלכותו, להיות מלך
עליו, ולעבדו ולעשות רצונו
בכל מיני עבודת עבד.

Day 5: Thursday י' ניסן

Story of the Rebbe

There was a man who used to be very particular to learn גמרא at a fixed time every day in the Shul in his city. One day he looked really stressed and sad. A good friend asked him why and he said that his only son was really not well and he had to have a very complicated surgery that there was a big chance that it would not help. His sons life was in danger! This man was a Belzer chossid but he had some Lubavitch friends who suggested that he write to the Rebbe. The man wrote a letter to the Rebbe but was certain he wouldn't get an answer in time for his son's surgery which was in a few days.

To his surprise 3 days later he received a letter from the Rebbe that was send express mail – it was the regular נוסח saying that the Rebbe would go to the אהל – there were also two words written in the Rebbes handwriting – "בשורות טובות".

Then there were two lines written with a typewriter, I am sure that you say חתת every day and daven like the מנהג is. This was surprising as this man wasn't a lubavitcher חסיד so he didn't say חתת or daven the same נוסח as חבד because it wasn't his מנהג. The man took upon himself to do this as it may help his son.

The day of the surgery came and when their son was taken in to the last minute checkups before the surgery – the doctors called the parents in – there was no need for surgery! The symptoms had disappeared as if they were never there!

The man continued to say חתת and רמבם until today.

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should learn something extra in both חסידות and נגלה – in addition to חתת.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א
והנה ה' נצב עלי, ומלא כל
הארץ כבודו, ומביט עליו
ובוחן כליות ולב אם עובדו
כראוי. ועל פז צריך לעבד
לפניו באימה וביראה בעומד
לפני המלך. ויצמיק במחשבה
זו ויצריך בה, כפי יכולת
השגת מחו ומחשבתו וכפי
הפנאי שלו



Day 6: Friday 5 Nisan

Story of the Rebbe

Once, Reb Yechiel Tauber, who wasn't a Lubavitch Chossid came to a Farbrengen. When he came in and listened he was shocked! The Rebbe had said a joke! He never said anything to anyone but he was very surprised. That Shabbos he ate at a family in Crown Heights. The lady of the house told him that she was born in Crown Heights but was never interested in Yiddishkeit. Once she popped into a Farbrengen just to see what it was about but she felt out of place and turned to leave, suddenly she heard the Rebbe say a joke and everyone laughed – she stayed to the end and started becoming closer to Yiddishkeit and now lives a fully Yiddish and Chassidishe life.. All from a Farbrengen!

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should learn a מאמר and give it over in public, either on your birthday or close to it – and especially the שבת after שלש סעודות.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

לפני עסק התורה או המצוה,
כמו לפני לבישת טלית
ותפילין.

וגם יתבונן איך שאור אין סוף
ברוך הוא הסובב כל עולמין
וממלא כל עולמין הוא רצון
העליון,

Story of the Rebbe

A Gerrer chossid related the following story:
'I met the Rebbe personally only once, when a friend took me to 770 to get כוס של ברכה.

We waited in line, slowly inching forward as we came nearer to the Rebbe's place and to our turn to receive our wine and ברכה.

Now (as you all know), during kos shel brocho there were in fact 2 separate lines, One passed in front of the Rebbe, and the other passed behind the Rebbe. The Rebbe would alternate between distributing the wine to the line in front of him and to the line behind him. However since i had never been, I didn't know any of this at the time.

'Imagine my surprise, therefore, when, just as I reached the Rebbe's place, the Rebbe abruptly did an about-face, and turned his back to me! I was left feeling shock, and humiliation, and wondering what I had done to deserve this!

'It took only a few moments until the Rebbe turned back to my line, and I feel that he recognized the hurt feelings from my expression. In a marked departure for his regular practice, the Rebbe – after pouring a bit of wine into my cup – put down his becher, and reached out and shook hands with me! That's how much the Rebbe cared to make me feel comfortable!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should add in caring about another person, particularly spreading חסידות in a way of Ahavas Yisroel.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

הוא מְלַבֵּשׁ בְּאוֹתִיּוֹת וְחֻכָּמַת הַתּוֹרָה, אוּ בְּצִיצִית וּתְפִלִּין אֵלּוּ; וּבִקְרִיאָתוֹ אוּ בְּלִבִּישָׁתוֹ הוּא מְמַשֵּׁיךְ אוֹרוֹ יִתְבָּרֵךְ עָלָיו, דְּהֵיִינוּ עַל חֵלק אֱלֹהִים מִמַּעַל שְׁבִתוֹךְ גּוֹפּוֹ, לְכָלִּל וּלְבַטֵּל בְּאוֹרוֹ יִתְבָּרֵךְ.

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

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Day 8: Sunday 10/16

Story of the Rebbe

Rabbi Dr Weinreb from Maryland says the following story: One year he was having a great dilemma as to what he should do with his life. Should he dedicate his life just to learning תורה? Should he advance his career? Should he start working in a specific organization? He was also having a hard time with his אמונה. Someone suggested that he should speak to the Rebbe, so he decided to call 770 and ask to speak to the Rebbe. He didn't say his name he just said 'A Jew from Maryland is speaking'. The Rebbe listened to his questions and then said, "There is a Yid in Maryland that you should discuss this with. His name is Weinberg" Rabbi Weinberg was shocked and ask the Rebbe to repeat what he said. He then said 'My name is Weinberg!!' The Rebbe answered him, if that is the case you should know that a person has to speak to himself!! The Rebbe was teaching him that ultimately we know what is best for us and he switched from being a psychologist to being the Rov of his community.

מנהגי יום הולדת
You should add in
caring about another
person, particularly
spreading חסידות in a
way of Ahavas
Yisroel.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

הוא מלבש באותיות וחקמת
התורה, או בציצית ותפלין
אלו; ובקריאתו או בלבישתו
הוא ממשיך אורו יתברך
עליו, דהיינו על חלק אלוה
ממעל שבתוך גופו, לפלל
ולבטל באורו יתברך.

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!



Day 9: Monday "ניסן"

Story of the Rebbe

In the early years when the רבי was רבי, A Jew whose store was open on שבת used to come to the Farbrengens. The Rebbe who was aware of this used to tell him in his language (Italian) that it is אסור to own a shop and have it open on שבת. One day the man decided he was going to keep Shabbos. He gave the Rebbe the keys to his shop and said – "Rebbe, here are the keys the shop is yours!" The Rebbe gave him back the keys and said, "I am giving you back the keys for 6 days, those 6 days you can work." From then on the man kept Shabbos.

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should take upon
yourself an extra
הידור

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

וְדָרַךְ פָּרַט בְּתַפְלִין, לְבָטֵל
וּלְפָלֵל בְּחִינַת חֲכָמָתוֹ וּבִינָתוֹ
שֶׁבִנְפָּשׁוֹ הָאֱלֹהִית בְּבְחִינַת
חֲכָמָתוֹ וּבִינָתוֹ שֶׁל אֵין סוּף
בְּרוּךְ הוּא, הַמְלַבְּשׁוֹת דָּרַךְ
פָּרַט בְּפִרְשִׁיּוֹת "קִדְשׁ" וְהָיָה
כִּי יִבְיָאךְ

The Rebbe's Birthday!

Day 10: Tuesday 10/11/16



Story of the Rebbe

Rabbi Bistritzky says this story, "At every farbrengen that my son Levi attended until the age of bar mitzvah, the Rebbe would invite him onto the platform. He would gesture to him and then give him some cake. Once Levi didn't go to the farbrengen, and the Rebbe asked, "Where's Levi?" I replied that he had a high fever, and the Rebbe answered, In such a situation, he should definitely come to the farbrengen."

Today I learned ___ lines of תניא

Don't Forget the Daily Checklist!

מנהגי יום הולדת

You should have a Farbrengen with your friends and family, thanking Hashem and full of שמחה. You should also try to make a שהחיינו on a new fruit.

Let's Learn!

תניא פרק מ"א

דְּהֵיִינוּ שְׁלֹא לְהִשְׁתַּמֵּשׁ
בְּחֻמְתּוֹ וּבִינָתוֹ שְׁבִנְפָּשׁוֹ
בְּלִתִּי לֵה' לְבָדּוֹ. וְכֵן לְבִטֵּל
וּלְכַלֵּל בְּחִינַת הַדַּעַת שְׁבִנְפָּשׁוֹ,
הַכּוֹלֵל חֶסֶד וּגְבוּרָה, שֶׁהוּא
יִרְאֶה וְאֶהְיָה שְׁבִלְבוֹ, בְּבְחִינַת
דַּעַת הָעֲלִיוֹן,



My Daily Checklist

	I put נעגל next to my bed וואסער	I said ברכות with a סידור השחר	I said the נשיא of the day	I gave צדקה	I said חת"ת	I helped at home	I said קריאת שמע with a סידור
Day 1 ב' ניסן							
Day 2 ג' ניסן							
Day 3 ד' ניסן							
Day 4 ה' ניסן							
Day 5 ו' ניסן							
Day 6 ז' ניסן							
Day 7 ח' ניסן							
Day 8 ט' ניסן							
Day 9 י' ניסן							
Day 10 י"א ניסן							

הכנה ל י"א ניסן

