# Commeetions 

## Succos Edition

## Listen \& Learn

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Age 12, Riga Latvia

Succos is one of the busiest Yomim Tovim, here on shlichus in Riga, Latvia. Our succa is about the only private one in the whole country. We also build a succa at our shul and school in order to allow as many people as possible to fulfill the mitzvah of succa. The same is with Lulov and Esrog. It's quite difficult to get all the four minim needed. Sometimes it means driving around, searching through the parks and near the beach for Aravos.

These seven days are probably some of busiest days in my life. Our school works on Chol Hamoed, so I have to help make sure that all 150 students, teachers and parents that come by say a Bracha on the Lulov and Esrog. We eat our lunches in the succa all together if it doesn't rain. It is really cozy and special when everyone sing birchas hamazon together. These Mitzvos really bring achdus among all types of yidden. As we see from the Arba-minim which represent four types of Jews: the Esrog which has a flavor and a fragrance representing those who learn Torah and do Mitzvos, the Lulov whose fruits have a taste but no smell symbolizing those that only learn torah, the Hadasim which have a smell but no flavor representing Jews who do good deeds but do not learn torah and the Aravos that have neither a smell, nor a flavor symbolizing Jews that do not learn torah and do not do Mitzvos. When we bring them all together we show that even though every person is different we are all really one.

Another interesting explanation about the Arba-minim that I learned: We raise the 4 minim as a sign of victory over the yetzer hora after the Aseres Yemei Tshuva and Yom Kipur. When I walk around in Riga with my Lulov and Esrog I feel proud that I'm doing my part to bring the final victory with Moshiach Tzidkeinu

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Mendel levertov

Age 8
Santa Fe ,

## Dovid Lew

Age11
Atlanta Georgia
"we do kaparot with a chicken or a penny"


Reporter: Mendel Kievman
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New Mexico
"usually we do kaporos on penny's but this year something funny happened. A few days ago some bochurim came with chickens and they put them in a box. The chickens got lose and the bochurim started chasing after them, until they caught them behind the s ukk a h boards."

## Question:

What do you do for Kaporos in your city?

## Fun Page By Mushka Ciment, Age 12, Liffle Rock, Ar.

## Mad Libs - Simchas Torah

"I'm so $\qquad$ , $\qquad$ - name "We just $\qquad$
$\qquad$ the Torah!" "What's so $\qquad$ about that?" $\qquad$ emotion . "It took $\qquad$ the entire
$\qquad$ year! You'll soon $\qquad$ .We'll all $\qquad$
$\qquad$ to $\qquad$ , and $\qquad$ adjective noun and $\qquad$ to $\qquad$ , and noun will take out the Torah."

## food

then the $\qquad$ with it! $\qquad$ will will verb "TO $\qquad$
 , say $\qquad$ up in $\qquad$ shape "Lechaim!" to each
very _- $\quad$.
$\qquad$ , too?"
noun


The Words can go up, down, right and left. Enjoy!!

| Sukkah | Tov | Hashana |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Schach | Shake | Rabbah |
| Happy | Shmini | Hallel |
| Chol | Atzeres | Kreplach |
| Hamoed | Simchas | Simchas |
| Yom | Beis | Torah |
|  | Hashoeivah |  |



##  Laugh out loud!

About twenty years ago, my family was sent by the Rebbe on shlichus to Austin, Texas to bring Yiddishkeit and Chassidus to the dewish students at the University of Texas.

On Rosh Hashana, my father goes to different college dormitories to blow the shofar for the dewish students who didn't make it to shul that day. At one of the dorms, he saw a group of boys swimming in a pool (with no girls around). My father and a bachur went over to the pool and asked if any of them were dewish. They all said that they were. my father and the bachur called everyone out. At first, they weren't sure if they should put on a yarmulke because they were wet and they didn't want to get their yarmulkes wet! In the end they did.

Only one boy was dressed enough to make a Bracha. Then my father blew the shofar.

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