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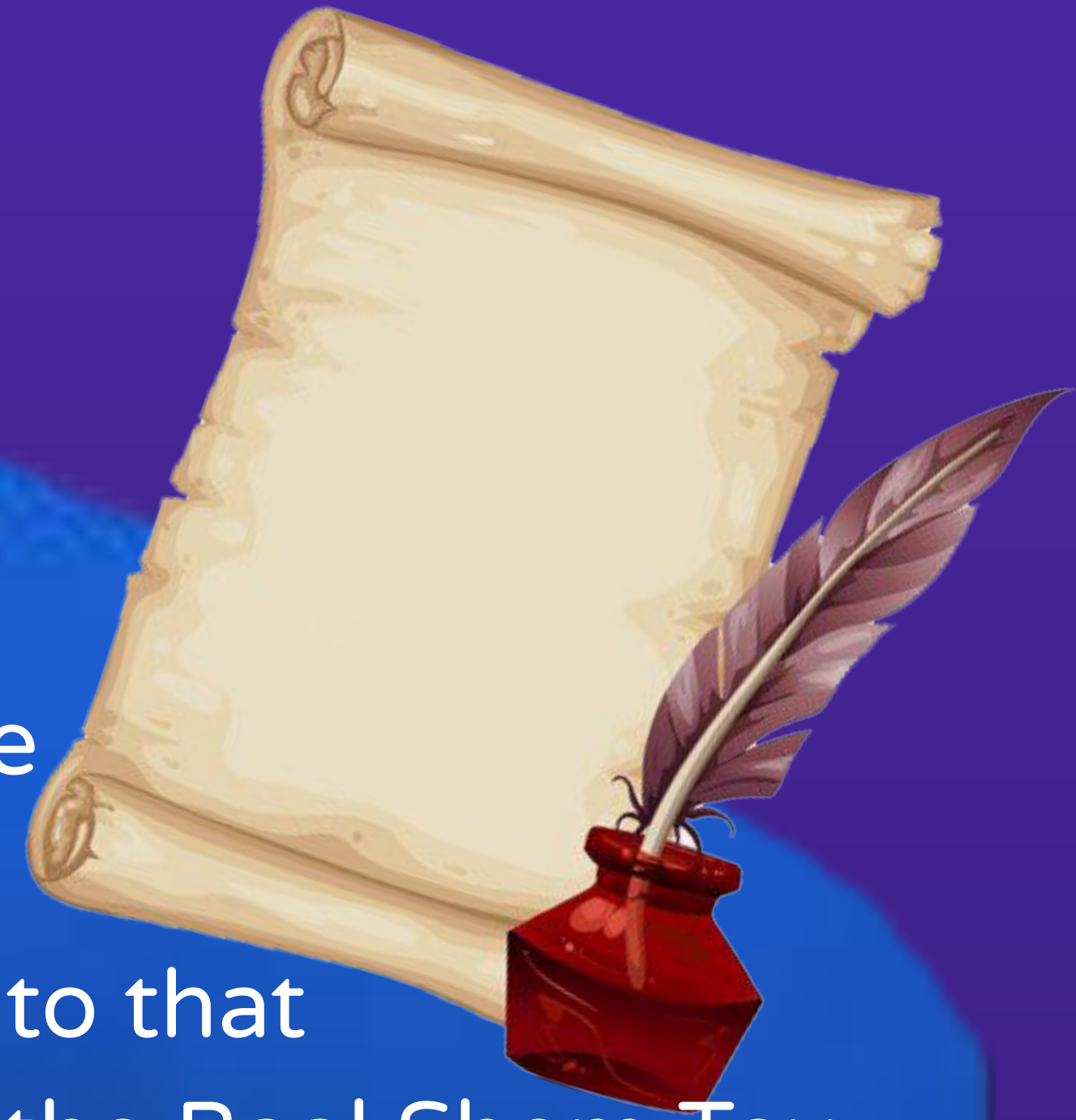
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A Word from our Principal

By Rabbi Ringo



Tayere Tmimim sh',

There are many stories of people who desired to have a giluy of Eliyohu and they came to ask the Baal Shem Tov and other tzadikim what they could do to be zoche to that giluy. One famous story is about someone who came to the Baal Shem Tov and said that it says in seforim that if a person does not speak devorim betailim for 40 days, then he will merit to see Eliyohu. This person only spoke words of Torah and Tefila for 40 days and he did not speak a single word of devorim betailim, yet, he complained, Eliyohu did not appear to him!!??

The Baal Shem Tov answered him that it could be that his words of Torah were like devorim betailim. Chassidim explain that this means that a person needs to work on himself that his words reflect who he really is, of course he needs to speak appropriately, but he also needs to work on himself to be a true ehrliche Yid and his words should reflect his true sincerity and connection with the Aibershter. If not, his words could be lacking in their potential and kedusha. In addition, his words should always be expressing positive things, especially when it comes to how he talks about another Yid. This, explains the Rebbe, is why our parsha is called by the name of just "Emor" and not by the name "Emor el hakohanim"; because a Yid needs to be careful with his "Emor" – meaning how he says things. The Rebbe explains that we need to find the good in someone else and only speak about the positive in others. In that way not only do we reveal the good in that person, but we make sure that we avoid connecting ourselves with that which is negative. Let us look to speak positive and to bringing a feeling of positivity into our mokom hashlichus thereby helping to make the world a dira lo yisborech!

Wishing you a wonderful Shabbos!

Rabbi Yaakov Ringo

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A Story of the Rebbe

By Mendel Labkowski

Told over by Rabbi Laibl Groner

One year, just a few days before Pesach , I called one of the Rebbe's Shliach in Europe with a message from the Rebbe. The Shliach was being instructed to visit a certain city and give assistance to a Jewish resident there. The Rebbe did not specify who this Jew was or what type of help he was supposed to provide.

"Reb Laibl," the Shliach said. "It's a few days before Pesach. I'm expecting 400 people for the Seder. How can I drop everything and travel four hours there and four hours back?"

"Listen," I told him, "are you a shliach of the Rebbe or not? The Rebbe knows that it's right before Pesach. Drop everything and go immediately to that city. Don't waste any time."

The shliach called me after Pesach: "Let me tell you what happened. I came to that city, but there was not a single Yid - no Shull, nothing. I went around asking the local residents if there were any Jews in the city. No one knew of any Jews living there. I went to the city hall and asked to check the lists of people who live in the city, but there were no records of any Jews in town. I thought that maybe I had made a mistake (there were no cell phones in those days), and so I prepared to head back home. I would call you to say what happened.

"Before leaving the city, I stopped at a gas station. The attendant came out and asked me, 'What's a Jew with a beard doing in a city where there are no Jewish people?'

"Are you sure that there's not even one Jew in this town?' I

asked the man. The attendant thought for a moment and then said, 'Now that you mention it, there's a butcher shop about half an hour away from here, and I'm almost sure that the owner of that butcher shop is a Jew.' He gave me the directions, and I arrived there at around a quarter to six in the evening.

"I opened the door of the butcher shop, and when the owner saw me, he fainted! What had I done to him? I picked him up, revived him, brought him to a chair, and gave him a cup of cold water. When I asked him what had caused such a strong reaction, he told me the following:

"My wife, my two children, and I are the only Jewish people in this town. The local minister comes from time to time and tries to convince us to convert. "Why does your family have to be alone?" he asks. I would always tell him that rather than renounce our religion, Jews preferred martyrdom, to be burnt in auto de fés...

"Recently, the minister came again,. But this time he told him he wasn't going to leave the store unless I would agree to do what he asked. I told him I needed a week to decide. When he left my shop, I turned to Hashem and said, 'I need a sign from You that I should not agree to his request.' A whole week passed without any sign from Above. At 5:30 this afternoon, a half hour before the minister was supposed to return for my final decision, I said to Hashem, 'He is coming at 6. If You don't send me a sign I will agree.' Fifteen minutes later, out of nowhere, you entered my shop. I realized this was the sign I was waiting for and that was why I fainted."

The shliach told the butcher, "Passover is in another few days.

I'm inviting you, your wife, and your two children to spend Pesach with us." The man happily agreed.

Two years later, the shliach called me again. "There is a postscript to the story. While the family was staying with us for Pesach, we invited them to stay a little while longer. Their stay lasted for about six weeks during which time we shared with them the basics of how to lead a Jewish life.

"Last week, I was visiting Yerushalayim and I went to pray at the Kosel. Suddenly, I felt someone tapping my shoulder. I turned around and saw a bearded young man standing with his children.

"Do you recognize me?' he asked. When I said 'no,' he replied, 'Look into my eyes.' I took a closer look at him. 'You're the butcher from that town!' I cried. 'What happened? What are you doing here?'

"When we returned home after spending those six weeks in your house,' he replied, 'my wife told me, "Listen, if we're Jewish then we have to live amongst other Jews. What are we doing here? We have to close the shop, pack our things, and make aliya to go live in Israel." That's exactly what we did. Since arriving here in Israel, we have become closer and closer to our Jewish roots and you can see for yourself how we've progressed..."

We can see from this story how the Rebbe's foresight led to this family becoming a vibrant part of the Jewish people for generations to come. The Rebbe is sitting in Brooklyn, and he sees a family in need somewhere else in the world. To save them from, Chas V'shalom, doing something disastrous, the Rebbe makes sure that someone who can help them goes out there and takes care of the matter.



A Short Dvar Torah

Levi Schmerling



In this week's Parsha we learn about a Yid who got very angry and ליצול, he cursed the name of 'ה! The Yidden were shocked and didn't know what to do. So they locked him up in prison and asked Moshe what has to be done. While he was waiting in prison Moshe asked 'ה what to do, and 'ה told Moshe that this Yid should be stoned to death. There's a different time when the Yidden had a question for Moshe, by Pesach Sheini. The Yidden who were טמא turned to Moshe asking for a chance to bring the פסח קרבן. Moshe told them, "Wait right here! Let me ask 'ה for an answer right away!"

Why is it that when the Yidden had a question by Pesach Sheini Moshe Rabeinu rushed to get an answer from 'ה right away, but when the Yidden had a question about the Yid who cursed 'ה, Moshe Rabeinu was in no rush and had him wait in prison until he would have an answer?

The answer is that Moshe Rabeinu truly loved every Yid. As we see Moshe even Davened for the Yidden who served עבודה זרה by the חטא העגל.

By Pesach Sheini when the Yidden were asking Moshe for something good, for another Mitzva, for that Moshe Rabeinu rushed to get them an answer right away. But when it came to finding a punishment for a Yid Moshe was in no rush. Let the Yid live a little more and when 'ה decides he will let me know what has to

During the day we can come across two different situations.

- 1) A boy doing something good.
- 2) A boy doing something not so good.

Many times we rush to tell Rebbi on the boy who did something bad to get

him in trouble, but we don't rush to tell Rebbi about the good things.

What I learn from Moshe - I should rush to tell Rebbi when a boy included me in his game or lent me a pencil. But if a boy skipped me in line, don't rush! Try not to get him in trouble.

The Weekly

Shmooze

By Mendel Labkowski

This Week With:
Levi Y. Laufer



Where do you live?
Barrington, Rhode
Island.

What are some of the
Classes that you family
does?
Hebrew School, Womans
Classes, and Mens
Classes.

So tell me a bit about
your chabad house.
We have a small
community, and we only
have Minyanim on Rosh
Hashanah, Yom Kippur,
and Shavuos.

What is your favorite
part of being on
Shlichus?
I have a lot of cousins
that live close to me, so
I get to see them.

What are some of the
challenges you face on
shlichus?
Not having a Minyan
very often.

What are some things
you like about Online
school?
Having a Frum school
that's not far away from
my place of shlichus.

FUN PAGE!

By Mendel Labkowski

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submissions and answers to
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Riddle #1

I am something people
love or hate. I change
peoples appearances
and thoughts. If a
person takes care of
them self I will go up
even higher. To some
people I will fool them.

To others I am a
mystery. Some people
might want to try and
hide me but I will
show. No matter how
hard people try I will
Never go down. What
am I?

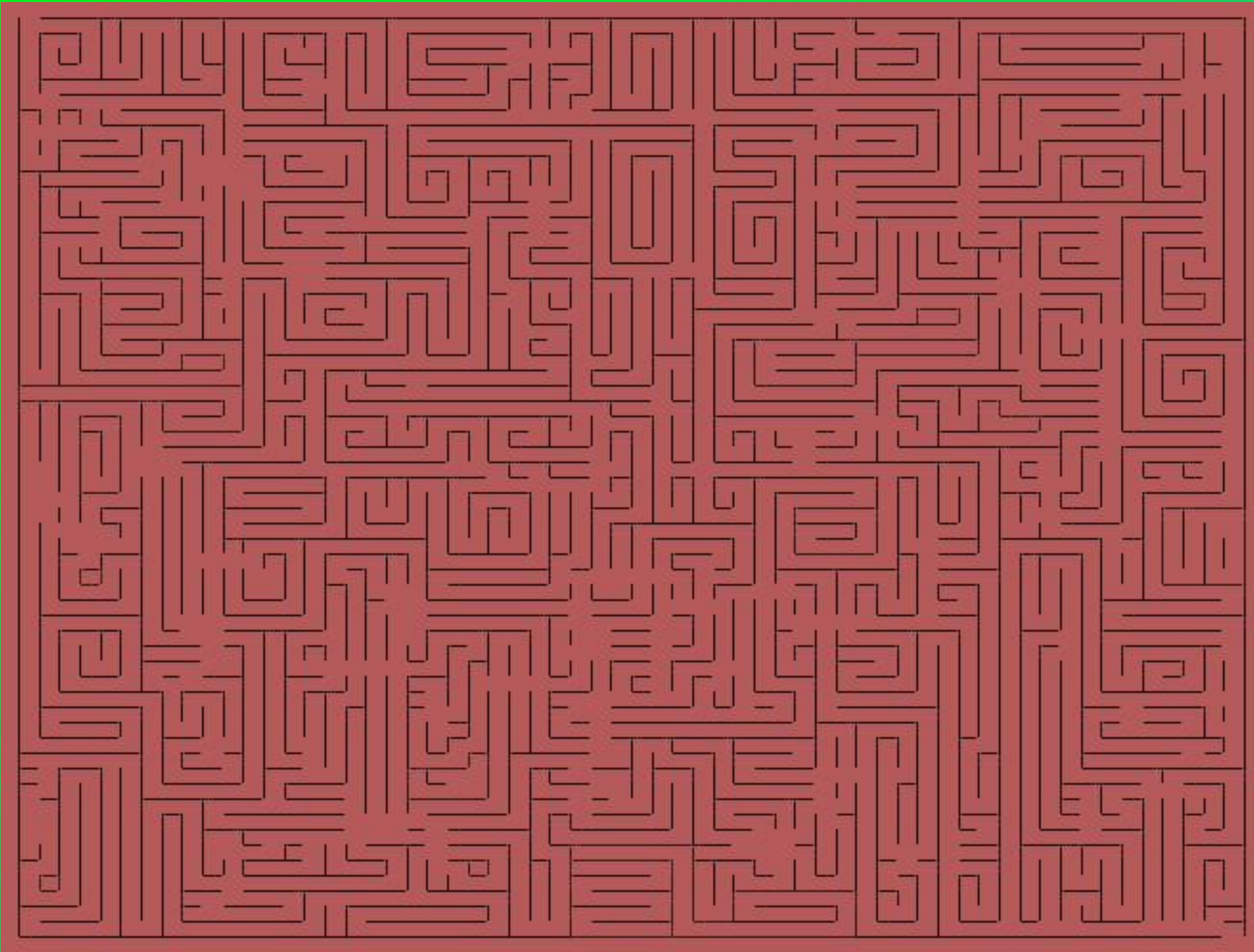
Riddle #2

Only one color, but not
one size,

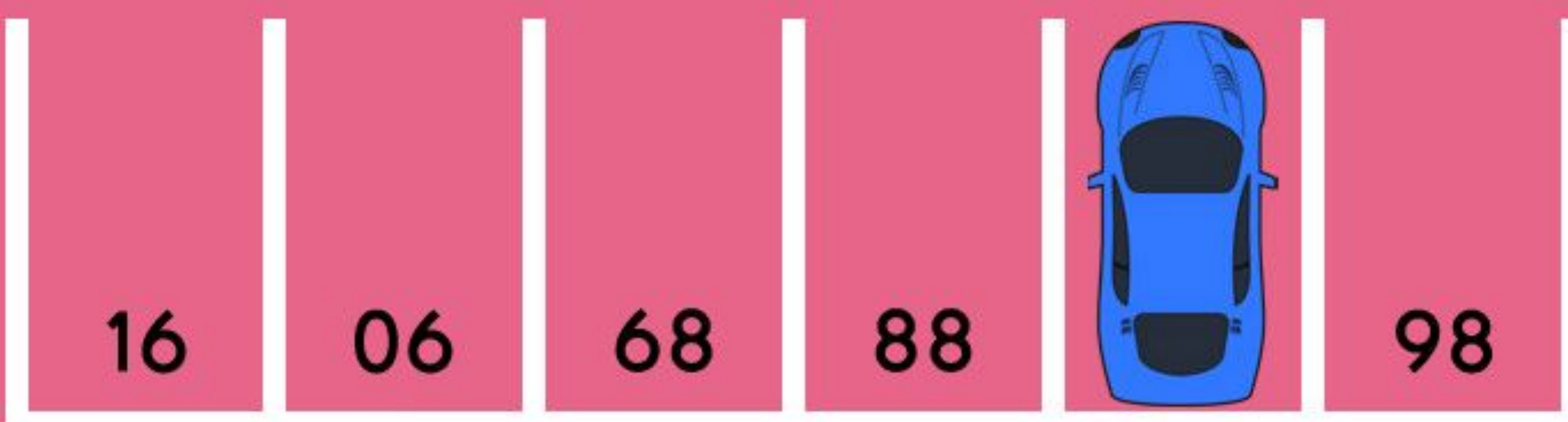
Stuck at the bottom,
yet easily flies.

Present in sun, but not
in rain, Doing no harm,
and feeling no pain.

What is it?



What is the **number**
of the parking spot?



Fact #1

Rhodium is probably the rarest metal in the world. There are no Rhodium mines that exist on Earth and only around 20-25 tonnes of the metal is extracted per year. It's high melting and boiling points, shiny surface and other essential properties also make it one of the most expensive metals around.

Fact #2

The Eiffel Tower grows six inches taller in the summer when compared to its winter height because steel and iron expand when exposed to heat.

Fact #3

Most metals are lustrous solids at room temperature. They are malleable and ductile, and able to conduct electricity and heat. They also can be heated and forged or melted and casted.

Fact #4

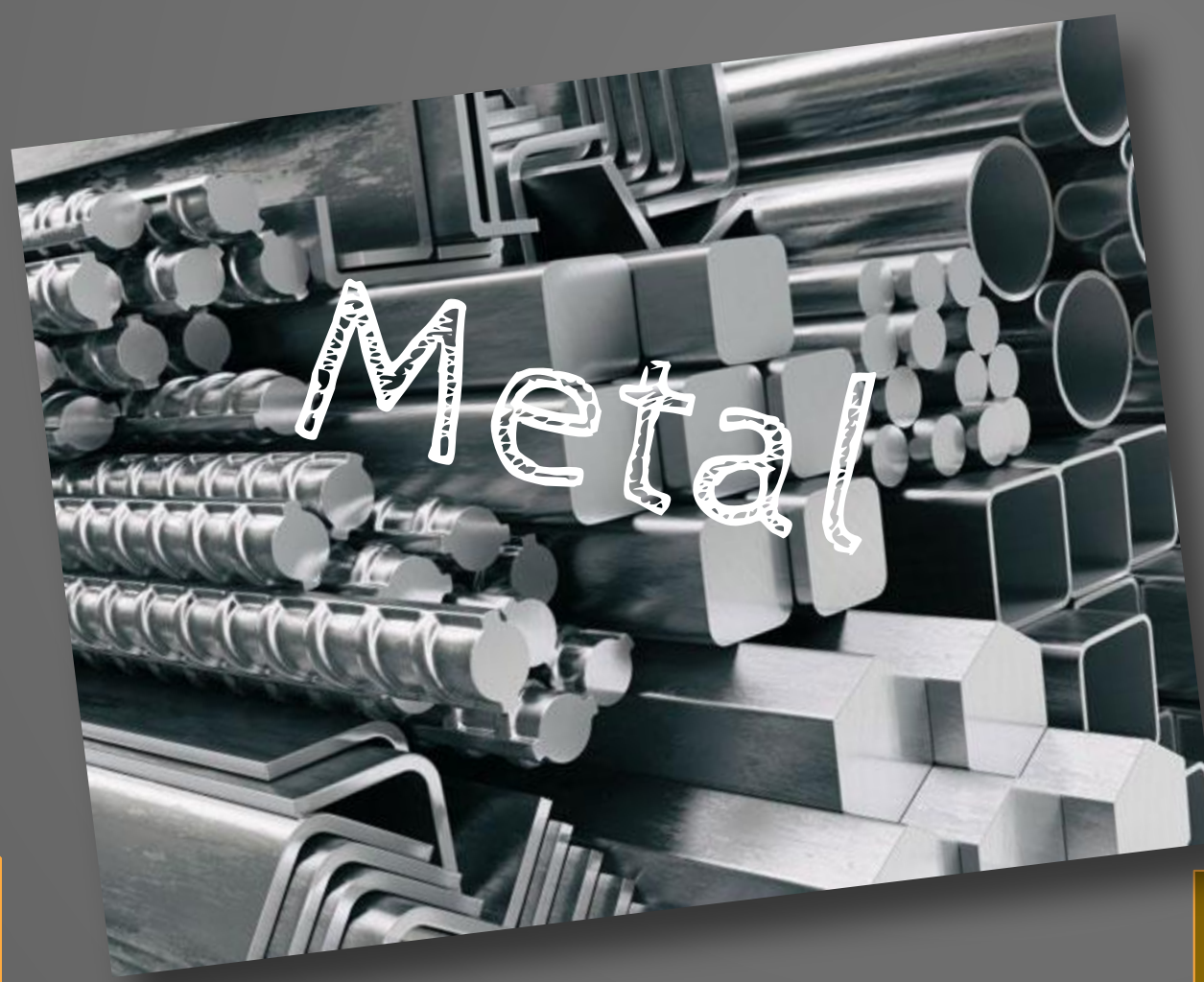
Due to their strong metallic bonds, most metals have high melting points. Tungsten has the highest melting point of all pure metals at 6192 °F and the highest boiling point at 10706 °F.

Fact #5

Thanks to a high metabolism, the average dairy cow consumes more than 100 pounds of food per day and drinks up to 40 gallons of water per day.

9 FACTS

You Probably Didn't Know About:



Fact #6

The word metal comes from the Greek word 'metallon,' which means quarry or to mine or excavate.

Fact #7

The tallest free-standing structures in the world are made of metals, primarily the alloy steel. They include the Dubai skyscraper Burj Kalifa, the Tokyo television tower Skytree, and the Shaghai Tower skyscraper.

Fact #8

Aluminium is the most recyclable material in the world - 75% of all the aluminium produced in history is still in circulation due to recycling.

Fact #9

Although new metals are being produced and some metals were difficult to isolate in pure form, there were seven metals known to ancient man. These were gold, copper, silver, mercury, lead, tin, and iron.

**This week
there is no
comic, but
next week
IY”H we will
have one.**