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Chassidische  
Yomim Tovim

There are lot's of Chassidische Yomim Tovim in the month of Shevat! Let's find out what they are:

י' שבט: The Frierdiker  
Rebbe passed away

י' שבט: The Rebbe became  
Rebbe!

כ' שבט: Rebbetzin Chaya  
Mushka passed away



By: Chaya  
Schlanger



# REBBETZIN CHANA

- Rebbetzin Chana was the mother of our Rebbe.
- She married Rabbi Levi Yitzchok (Levik) Shneerson who was big chossid of the Rebbe Rashab
- Rebbetzin Chana's parents were Rabbi Meir Shlomo Yanovsky and Rebbetzin Rochel
- Rebbetzin Chana had 3 children Menachem Mendel, (our rebbe) DovBer, and Leibal
- Rebbetzin Chana and her husband married in the year 1900
- When Reb Levik was in jail, Rebbetzin Chana made him ink from the leaves and berries she found
- After Reb Levik passed away, Rebbetzin Chana came to New York where she lived for 17 years
- The Rebbe used to visit her every day and make her tea. He once remarked that his visits were as important as putting on tefillin!
- Rebbetzin Chana's yartzeit is on Vov Tishrei. After her passing, her chair that she sat in 770 set on fire and burnt in 770.

By: Margalit Rivkin

# Are you ready to make some easy and delicious Mandelbrot!!?



## Ingredients:

- 1 Large egg + 1 Large Egg Yolk
  - ¼ Cup Sugar
  - 1 Tablespoon Olive Oil
  - ½ teaspoon Vanilla Extract
    - 1 Cup flour
    - ½ teaspoon Baking Soda
- At least ¼ Cup of Slivered Almonds, Pecans, Chocolate Chips, Dried Fruit, Coconut or Sprinkles



## Directions:



- Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- In a large bowl, beat the egg and the egg yolk until pale.
  - Add olive oil and vanilla and whisk until combined
  - Pour flour and baking soda and mix
- Add slivered almonds, chocolate chips, dried fruit or anything else you want and stir until combined
- On a pan lined with parchment paper, shape the dough into rectangles
- Bake for about 20 minutes until lightly brown on the bottom
  - Cut into slices and...

ENJOY!



Star Talk  
By: Chaya Perlstein

# Featuring... Benny Friedman!



*Hello Benny Friedman! I am going to ask you a few questions for all the girls on Shluchim Online School!*

**What do you like about where you live? (New York)**

- **I have good friends and family nearby and there are kosher restaurants.**

**Nice! I wish I had those!**

**What is something embarrassing your kids have done?**

- **Well, whenever someone wants to take a picture with me, my son Sholom likes to pop in too, like behind my shoulder etc.**

**Hahah! That's so cute:)**

**What are the good and the bad parts about your job as a singer?**

- **It's good because I get to travel a lot and meet lots of people, but it's hard to be away from home for so long**

**Yeah! That must be tough!**  
**Where is the most exotic place you've performed?**

- **Mumbai, India**

**Oh wow! That's pretty cool!**

**Around how many concerts have you sang at out of the U.S.A?**

- **About 30**

**Cool! That must be interesting!**

**The last and final question is; how are you able to get up and sing when your having a bad day?**

- **There's no such thing as a bad day!**

**Good point!**

**How about a hard day?**

- **If I start out in a bad mood, when the music starts, my mood changes and I feel excited!**

**That's awesome!**

**Thank you Benny! Good luck on your future performances!**



# CHAPTER 3



*Recap: Bracha takes her twin brothers to the park where she meets her mother who is acting strange. Bracha's parents tell the older kids that the jewelry store was robbed and the robber somehow shut off the video cameras and the alarm. Bracha calls Freida and excitingly tells her how she found their first case, and then ran to Freida's house.*

"Hello? Hellooooo?" Freida stared at the phone, twirling her straight brown hair with her finger, her light brown eyes missing its usually excited glint, and her freckles didn't seem to help her look a ton better. "Bracha? Are you there?" After no response, she hung up the phone with a sigh. "What was that all about," 13-year-old Sima asked, sounding gloomy but slightly curious. Their parents had told everyone what happened around the same time Bracha's parents told her. "I have no idea Bracha called and-" Freida was interrupted by the ringing of the doorbell, "I'll get it" Chava Miriam ran over to the door, "oh, hi Bracha, Freida is in the kitchen" and faster than the wind, Bracha ran off to the Steins kitchen with Chava Miriam following her, rather amused.

Freida welcomed Bracha in the kitchen "let's go upstairs". The two girls went up the stairs to the room that Freida and Sheina shared. "Oh, hey Bracha" Sheina, Freida's 11-year-old older sister, waved from the top of the bunk bed. No one ever guessed Sheina and Freida were sisters, Sheina's hair was short and blond, though it was also straight, and she had much darker eyes. "Don't worry I'm outta here. I was going to go to my friend anyway now". Sheina left and the girls got comfortable on Freida's bottom bunk. "So you said you had some case idea. I assume it has something to do with the robbery?" Bracha's expression seemed to darken a bit, but she still had the same excited tone of voice "how'd you guess?! Anyway, I thought it would be a great opportunity for BF Detectives to find the robber-" to say Freida looked shocked would be an understatement "are you kidding me!!!! If the thief managed to turn off the expensive high-quality video cameras and security alarm you think we can find him?!?!?!?! Even if we do somehow it would be utterly dangerous!!!" Freida was shouting "Shh, not so loud! Look, I have to go home now but I will see you tomorrow in school, lemme know what you think" and with that, Bracha was off.

For the next fifteen minutes, Freida just sat on her bed, deep in thought, but was interrupted by Chava Miriam. "What was *that* all about?" Freida just stared into space *I have got to find an excuse for her not to do it!* Freida tried to recall everything that happened when Bracha suggested the idea. "I am assuming you got permission from Mommy?" Chava Miriam put on a just-because-your-older-than-me-you-are-not-wiser look, "We are doing that right now" Freida said, walking past her sister out the door with Bracha behind her. "THAT'S IT!" Freida shouted, Chava Miriam, who had come in to get a book, jumped three feet in the air. "Y-you spoke!" Chava Miriam her hand to her heart "I almost had a heart attack, Chas V'Shalom!!" Freida barely heard her, she was already halfway down the stairs.

Freida did not hesitate to call Bracha "Bracha! We can't because we didn't get-" Freida did not even stop to breath "uhh Freida? This is Etty, you want to speak to Bracha?" Freida blushed "uh yeah kinda" she muttered, embarrassed.

“Oh hey Freida, you decided to agree to do it?” Bracha called out, sounding jolly. Her jolliness made Freida annoyed “Listen, the store was robbed! Stop being so happy just because it’s a case!” Bracha sighed loudly “okay, okay whatcha want?” “much better, listen. We never got permission from our parents. We can’t be detectives” there was silence on the other line for a full minute “WAIT! We still could!” Freida pulled the phone away from her ear “wow, that was *loud!* So how?” Freida was worried she actually *did* have a way they could, unfortunately for her, she did. “Listen, we tell them we want to make a detective agency but don’t mention the robbery as part” Freida tried to counterattack “uh well what if they figure that out?” Bracha enthusiasm did not falter. “If they *do* somehow figure it out then we will tell them that they gave permission to do BF detectives and BF detectives is doing this” Freida knew when a fight was lost “I’ll let you know my answer tomorrow at school” Freida could practically hear Bracha’s grin, “see ya there” Bracha hung up on here and slowly Freida did the same.

“Bye Freida, Sheina & Chava Miriam, you have your lunches? I won’t be home when you get home, Tatty also won’t. Sara will be at the babysitter. Okay, have a great day”. Freida walked to school slowly *one foot in front of the other, one foot in front of the other*. Freida usually enjoyed walking to school with Chava Miriam, Sheina always left with them but met with friends at the next street. Both of the traffic lights where they had to cross were green when they got there, and the walk should have been enjoyable, but not today. Freida still had not made up her mind, she knew, in the end, Bracha would probably convince her but she still was not sure.

When they finally made it to school Freida was glad to see school would be starting in just two minutes, she hoped that would not be enough time to meet up with Bracha. She got to the classroom only seconds before the teacher walked in, and with a sigh of relief, she began to Daven.

“Hey Freida, what did you decide?” Freida took a deep breath “I don’t think we should do this. I am not sure about you but *I am not*” Bracha was silent for a second before responding quietly “but I cannot do it alone.” Freida crossed her arms “it’s dangerous! *I am not*. I am sorry, I don’t think you should either.” Bracha gave her a hurt look, Freida looked at her feet “look, I’m sorry, but it’s dangerous. But if another mystery comes up I’ll be glad to do it” Bracha shrugged “whatever. Let me know if you change your mind.” Just then break was over, and the girls went inside.

School went on, breaks came along, and finally, at exactly *3:00 pm* the girls were dismissed.

*To be continued...*

# CHAPTER 4



**Recap: Bracha wants to use the robbery for her first case but Freida does not agree.**

Freida acted grouchy all day, Bracha had a plan and she refused, she was worried she would lose her best friend. To make it worse it was raining which always made her gloomy, Sheina was having a 'study party' (aka a eat-popcorn-and-talk-and-do-some-homework-if-there-is-extra-time party) in the living room with 4 friends and making a racket. Chava Miriam wanted to copy them so she and Sara, the youngest in the family and 2 years young, were eating popcorn and having a dance party and making both a wreck and a racket.

Freida went upstairs to her room and plopped on her bottom bunk. She took out a word search and put on some music, trying to drown out the humongous racket from downstairs. Very frankly, she was bored. As much as she liked word puzzles, she wasn't quite in the mood of it, and she found it hard to concentrate. After trying and failing to concentrate for ten minutes or so, she gave up with a sigh and went to find a snack.

"Byee, Leah, Mushka, Adina & Esther!" Sheina waved to her friends and shut the door behind them. Sheina went to the kitchen, smiling, and almost bumped into Freida who was lost in thought. "Hey, Freida, 'sup?" Freida shrugged, "nothing much" Sheina raised an eyebrow, "wrong. Something is obvs up, 'cause' you didn't ask me ' 'sup by you?" Sheina grinned. Freida just stomped away.

"There's no *privacy* in this house" Freida yelled angrily, kicking a ball from next to her feet across the living room, "yeah huh there is" Chava Miriam snickered, "you can go to the bathroom" Sara, though not fully understanding everything, giggled, "Frayia silly Frayia silly!" even Freida couldn't resist a smile at Sara laughing on the floor, her dark brown eyes seemed to be giggling, and her blonde curls were bouncing. After turning around to hide her smile, and, not stomping for once, ran to her room.

Just then, her mother called her downstairs.

Yessss Freida ran to call Bracha after her mother told her the great news, and waited eagerly for her to pick up.

Bracha was feeling down. Freida had said no to her brilliant idea! And to make it worse, it was raining. Bracha loved spending rainy afternoons with Freida. Freida hated the rain so they would play together for hours on end until the rain stopped, or Bracha had to go home. She had tons of homework to do and a test to study for but she was just sitting on her bean bag in her room which unlike Freida, was her room and her room only.

Bracha nervously called Freida, but before she could Freida called. Freida barely gave her a chance to talk. "Bracha! It's amazing no?" Bracha was flabbergasted, "how did you know it was me? And what's amazing?" Freida was silent and when she talked again she sounded a tad less excited "you mean your parents didn't tell you yet?" Bracha was even more confused, "tell me *what!*?" Just then Bracha heard her mother calling her "Bracha! Ety! Levi! Meir! Come down!" Bracha grinned "never mind don't answer, I think my mother's calling me. Will call you after" and quickly hung up.

"So how's everyone's evening going?" Bracha's father started, everyone shrugged, and much to everyone's surprise, Bracha's father & mother gave a big smile, "no one's talking much, eh?" everyone just looked at their parents in surprise, what *were* they up to? "I'm sure your guys are very worried about the robbery-" Bracha's father continued, "understatement of the year" Meir murmured. Both parents smiled again, leaving everybody flabbergasted, "well, we have news" Levi rolled his eyes, "what? the President of the United States is visiting?", Mrs. Fried raised an eyebrow "alright kids, Tatty and I won't tell you the news. Let's go, the kids don't seem so interested" everyone started up. "No, tell us!"

"Please, we didn't mean it!"

"It's okay if the president doesn't come!"

"It was Levi and Meir, not me!"

Mr. Fried winked at his wife, "so should we tell them or what?" the kids looked up expectantly, "well then, the insurance is giving us the money back and a few of our suppliers agreed to give us more merchandise on such short notice." the room was in an uproar, the kids were thrilled.

"Can I *please* get that new top now?"

"Really, really, *really*???"

"Almost as good as the president!"

"Oh my gosh! This is awesome!"

Bracha grabbed the cordless phone from the kitchen and ran up to her room. "FREIDA!!!" she shouted excitedly when she dialed, "hello? Who is this?" Bracha laughed, "stop it Freida, it's me, Bracha." She started blabbering about the news and in her excitement she barely noticed the person who picked up the phone had a male voice, "Bru- what? Listen, kid, I ain't know who you are, but I'm busy. Ain't you call again or Tommy will call the police on ya." and following this promptly hung up the phone.

Bracha stared at the phone. *Ooh boy, she thought must have dialed the wrong number, I think I've done that before. Well, might as well try again.* Carefully, she pressed on each number, then double and triple checked it was right, before dialing. "Hello?" a voice from the other end picked up, Bracha almost collapsed with relief when she heard Sima's voice. "Hi Sima, it's Bracha, is-" Sima interrupted her, "yeah, yeah, Freida's here, one sec" Bracha held the phone away as she heard a loud, "FREIDAAAAA! YOU'RE BFF IS CALLING!" She heard Freida's sister laugh and then, "Hello?" Bracha put the phone back to her ear.

"You're not gonna believe what just happened! I was talking to you for like, ages, and then this man says that I got the wrong number and I was freaking but it's really exciting and now I need to pause to remember what I was going to tell you... Okay?"

Freida stared at the phone with amusement. Her friend was funny sometimes.

"WOW! I don't think I ever heard anyone speak so fast and so much! So what did you want to tell me? Did your parents tell you the news?"

*To be continued...*



# Featuring Yocheved Schmerling!

By: Sima Wilhelm

Hey Yocheved! Today I am going to be asking you questions about your shluchos!

Where do you live?

**Venice, Florida**

Wow that sounds like a cool place! What grade are you in?

**G4 ET 2**

What is something unique about Venice, Florida?

**The average age here is 60**

Wow! That must be hard! What is your favorite part of your Shluchos?

**I Especially like our Purim party because we have a lot of fun!**

Purim definitely is a fun yom tov!  
Where do you do online school?

**In my chabad house**

So nice!

How many siblings do you have?

**6**

Knh! What number in the family are you?

**I am number 4**

Wow! What is something you help your parents with?

**In Hebrew school I do Aleph Champ with the students**

Wow that's really nice of you! How close are the closest Shluchim?





A half an hour away and they run a preschool which my 5 year old brother goes to

Thats nice! How many years were you in online school for?

4. I started in 1st grade

Wow that's a long time! What are some of your hobbies?

I like baking and art

So do I! What is your favorite part of online school?

I like Bnos Chabad



I agree Bnos Chabad is awesome! What is your favorite subject in school?

Pisgam, I like it cuz we do it on our own!

That sounds so fun! What kosher food can you get?

The shluchim a hour away have a store where we can get milk and stuff and once a month we get a order with meat and milk!

Thank you for your time!



## Monthly News

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS MONTH:

- YUD SHEVAT RALLY
- CHESS
- CONQUER THE WORLD
- YUD SHEVAT HACHANA
- ROSH CHODESH SHEVAT RALLY
- CHOF DALED TEVES RALLY
- MONTHLY THEME, RISK!

AND MUCH MORE!

*This month was really exciting in my class we finished the parsha and finished a section in jewish history! Bnos chabad was also really fun this month we had the chess game where we had to do the mission and then our chess piece would move forward, we had a rally for chof daled kistev and we played a really fun/funny game, we had a rally for rosh chodesh and found out the theme of the month, Risk! We also started a hachan for yed shevet! Can't wait to see what's in store for next month! -Sima Wilhelm, G7 WT*

**Hey! My Name is Rivka Cotlar and I live in Cary, NC. This Month was an exciting one in my class! We finished a Perek of Navi and a Perek of Chumash, about Lavan tricking Yaakov by his wedding. We had a big siyum with a video, song and game. We also learned all about the Halachos of Brochos. Some of our class did the awesome Sefer Selfie Challenge! We had a lot of fun and the Hey Teves Rally as well. We had a great month and we can't wait for Next Month!**



By, Chaya Mushka  
Bialo

FUN PAGE



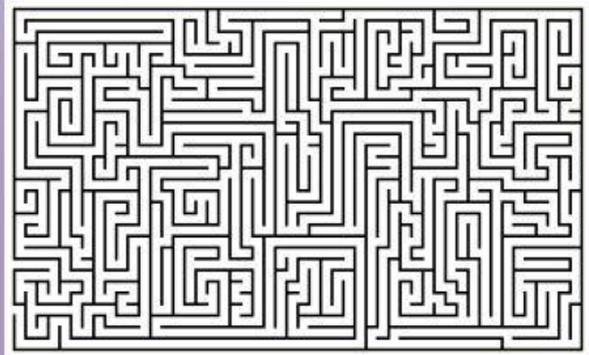
# FUN PAGE!



Whoever sends the  
funniest joke to:  
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**Shaina:** Wow! Its raining so hard! Should I go home now, or wait till it stops?  
**Chaya:** No way! Come sleep over!  
**Shaina:** Ok!  
Chaya goes to ask her mother.  
**Chaya:** Shaina! Shaina! Were are you?  
**Shaina:** (bursts through the door) I went home to get my pajamas!

Spot the differences! (there are ten)





# Happy Birthday!

By: Sima Wilhelm



Chani Mendelsohn!

Rochel Leah Gray!

Rivka Weingarten!

Chaya Mintz!

Batya Schapiro!

Cirel Levertov!

Chaya Schlanger!

Sara Perlstein!

Cherna Hecht!

Shternie Groner!

Mushka Hecht!



# All About LEGO!

By: Chaya Schlanger

- *Lego is one of the most popular, best selling toys of all time!*
- *More than four billion minifigures have been made*
- *Seven LEGO sets are sold EVERY SECOND*
- *The tallest LEGO tower was 95 feet high and used 465,000 bricks!*
- *There are actually enough LEGO bricks to stack from the Earth to the moon – ten times*
- *Each LEGO minifigure is exactly four bricks high without a hat*
- *LEGO DUPLO bricks are eight times the size of original LEGO bricks*



# Morah Horowitz!!!!



**Which grades do you teach?**

**I teach G6,G7 and G8**

**How many students do you have?**

**I have exactly 53 students**

**What subjects do you teach?**

**A lot of subjects! I teach historia to G7 and G8 and halacha to G7 WT and G6 and bas mitzvah, toldos chabad, parsha and yahadus to G6 as well**

**Which is your favorite subject to teach?**

**I love teaching Historia, Toldos chabad and Bas mitzvah**

**What is your favorite part on teaching in online school?**

**My favorite part of teaching in online school are the girls! I love meeting them and getting to know so many different personalities**



# Morah Horowitz!!!

**Why do you like teaching in online school then a regular school?**

**I love teaching in online school more than a regular school because you get to learn about so many different kinds of homes in different kinds of places and you get to build such a special connection with each girl that you many not find in a regular school.**

**For how many years have you been teaching in online school?**

**This is my 5th year teaching**

**Where do you live?**

**I live in Florida**

**What was the worst Internet problem you have had?**

**The worst internet problem I ever had was when i was running away from a hurricane last year and I had to teach from the car to evacuate**

**How many kids do you have?**

**I have 2 children K'AH both very cute (I know i have seen them on webcam before)**

**Do you prepare anything special for your students in the end of the year?**

**Yes, I prepare a memory collage of pictures I have taken over the year**

*Thanks so much Morah Horowitz!!*

BY: MARGALIT RIV

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