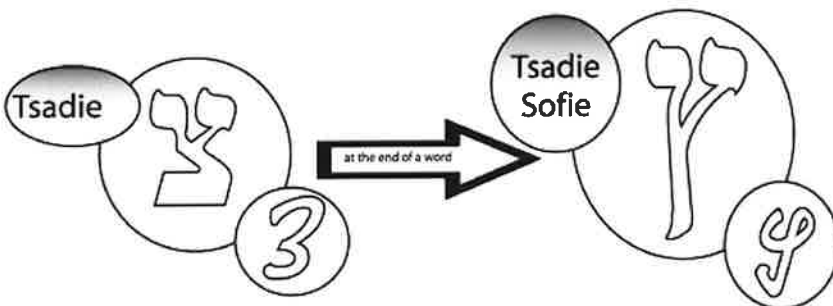
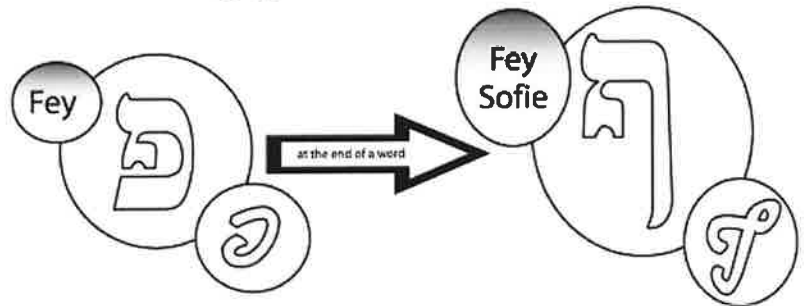
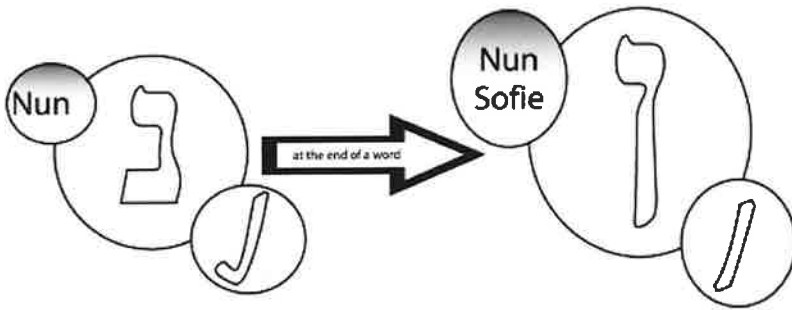
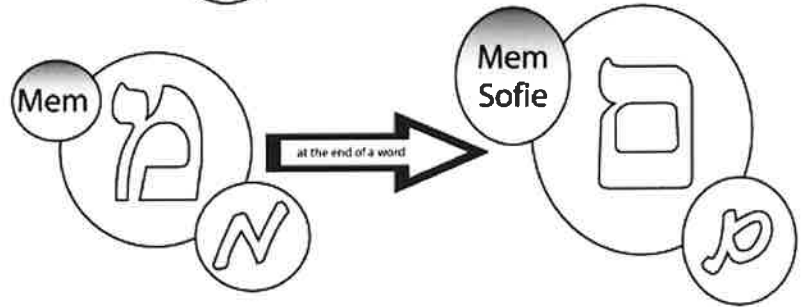
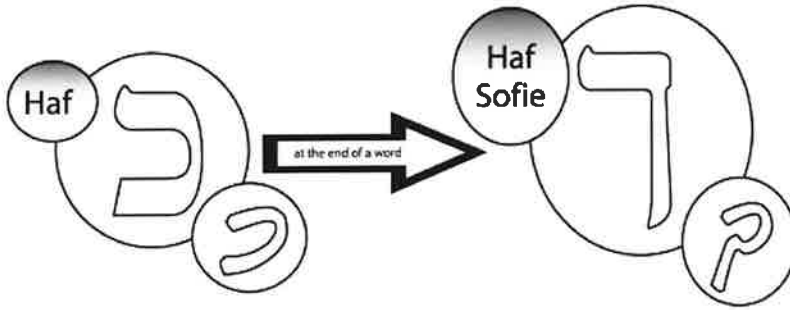




# Final Letters



# Hebrew Vowels

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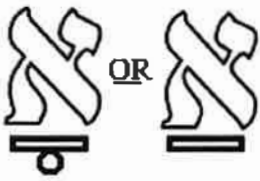
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GREEN



YELLOW



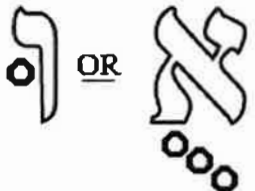
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RED



BLUE

# שְׁמַע

3



The שְׁמַע expresses a feeling and a belief so strong it is unlike anything else—and so deeply felt that there are almost no words to describe it. This prayer is our pledge of loyalty to God; when we say it, we are expressing our belief in only one God who created the entire universe. The שְׁמַע expresses the very core of our faith. It is such an important and intense prayer that many people recite it with their eyes closed so they can concentrate completely on this pledge. The first line of the שְׁמַע declares our belief in one God; the second line praises God's name.

**The first line of the שְׁמַע is said in a loud and clear voice.**

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל: יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְיָ אֶחָד.

*Hear O Israel: Adonai is our God, Adonai is One.*

These words come from the Book of Deuteronomy in the Bible. They became part of our prayer service about 2,000 years ago.

# PRAYER DICTIONARY

שָׁמַע

hear

יִשְׂרָאֵל

Israel

יְיָ

Adonai

אֱלֹהֵינוּ

our God

אֶחָד

one

## WHAT'S MISSING?

Complete each prayer phrase with the missing English word.

שָׁמַע

\_\_\_\_\_ O Israel

אֶחָד

Adonai is \_\_\_\_\_

יִשְׂרָאֵל

Hear O \_\_\_\_\_

יְיָ

\_\_\_\_\_ is our God

## UNSCRAMBLE THE PRAYER

Put the שָׁמַע in the correct order by numbering the words from 1 to 6.

יְיָ יִשְׂרָאֵל שָׁמַע אֶחָד אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְיָ



## Think About This!

In ancient times, Jews recited the שָׁמַע, declaring their belief in only one God—even while many other people believed in many gods, for example, a sun god, a moon god, a god of life, and others. It was not easy for the Jewish people to be true to their belief when everyone else felt otherwise. Have you ever been in a situation where your opinion was different from everyone else's but you stuck to it anyway? Why was it important to you?



בָּרוּךְ

blessed, praised

שֵׁם

name

כְּבוֹד

glory of

מַלְכוּתוֹ

God's kingdom

לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד

forever and ever

**WHAT'S MISSING?**

Complete each prayer phrase with the missing Hebrew word(s).

כְּבוֹד \_\_\_\_\_ בָּרוּךְ name

\_\_\_\_\_ מַלְכוּתוֹ forever and ever

שֵׁם כְּבוֹד \_\_\_\_\_ blessed

לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד \_\_\_\_\_ כְּבוֹד God's kingdom

**WORD MATCH**

Match the English word(s) to the Hebrew meaning.

A. forever and ever

בָּרוּךְ ( )

B. blessed

שֵׁם ( )

C. God's kingdom

כְּבוֹד ( )

D. name

מַלְכוּתוֹ ( )

E. glory of

לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד ( )

## ROOTS

מְלָכוֹתוֹ is built on the root מלכ.

The root מלכ means "rule." The three letters מלכ tell us that "king" or "ruler" is part of a word's meaning.

Circle the three root letters in this word.

מְלָכוֹתוֹ

Write the root. \_\_\_\_\_

What does the root mean? \_\_\_\_\_

Read these words aloud. Circle the three root letters in each word.

יְמַלְךְ

מְלַכָּה

מְלָכוֹת

מְלַכְנוּ

מְלַךְ



# Shema and Vhavta

\*Words will appear diagonal, across, down and upside down.

N	U	Y	T	V	W	M	S	E	W	E	M	A	N	Q
J	X	F	N	G	E	D	X	E	V	V	W	P	B	W
H	Y	B	U	Z	R	S	H	Q	N	O	I	J	T	H
C	Z	K	U	O	Y	K	N	U	D	C	L	Y	F	Y
T	C	Z	W	P	Q	G	Z	E	C	Y	K	R	X	D
C	O	E	B	P	U	M	G	S	G	L	O	V	J	Y
T	H	W	R	N	M	P	Z	U	Q	H	A	R	G	E
T	B	L	E	S	S	E	D	O	K	O	S	N	N	Y
T	J	R	G	C	Y	D	S	H	G	P	A	O	B	V
T	A	B	Y	L	C	C	W	R	V	R	S	S	V	H
X	V	U	T	O	O	T	J	U	G	A	I	T	I	J
I	R	P	Z	L	S	R	T	O	Y	E	G	M	W	J
W	T	H	V	W	X	T	Y	Y	A	H	N	N	G	A
K	Y	M	Y	A	G	J	Y	O	B	D	Y	X	P	T
S	A	L	Y	G	F	K	N	F	F	P	V	Z	D	E

Find the English translations for the following words:

שֵׁם

אָחַד

שָׁמַע

לְאוֹת

הַדְּבָרִים

בֵּיתְךָ

מְזֻזוֹת

וְאֶהְבֶּתְךָ

כְּבוֹד



# Draw a line to match the Shoresh (root) on the right to the correct word on the left:

\*Hint, look for similar letters

שמע

זָכוֹן

ברכ

קִדְשׁוֹ

קדש

שְׁמַע

זכר

מְלָכוּתוֹ

מלכ

בְּאֵהָבָה

אהב

בְּרוּךְ

# V'ahvtah

וְאֶהְבֶּתָּ אֶת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ, בְּכָל לִבְבְּךָ, וּבְכָל נַפְשְׁךָ, וּבְכָל  
מְאֹדֶךָ. וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה, אֲשֶׁר אֲנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם, עַל  
לִבְבְּךָ. וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבִנְיָה, וְדַבַּרְתָּ בָּם, בְּשַׁבְּתְּךָ בְּבֵיתְךָ,  
וּבְלִקְתְּךָ בַּדֶּרֶךְ, וּבְשֹׁכְבְּךָ, וּבְקוּמְךָ. וְקִשַּׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל  
יָדְךָ, וְהָיוּ לְטֹטְפוֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ. וְכִתַּבְתָּם עַל מְזוֹזוֹת בֵּיתְךָ  
וּבְשַׁעְרֶיךָ.

לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת כָּל מִצְוֹתַי, וְהֵייתֶם קְדוֹשִׁים  
לְאֱלֹהֵיכֶם. אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם, אֲשֶׁר הוֹצֵאתִי אֶתְכֶם מֵאֶרֶץ  
מִצְרַיִם, לְהִיּוֹת לָכֶם לְאֱלֹהִים, אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם.

*V'ahavta et Adonai Elohecha,  
b'chol l'vavcha uv'chol nafsh'cha uv'chol  
m'odecha. V'hayu had'varim ha-eileh  
asher anochi m'tzav'cha hayom al l'vavecha. V'shinantam  
l'vanecha v'dibarta bam b'shivt'cha b'veitecha uv'lecht'cha  
vaderech uv'shochb'cha uv'kumecha. Uk'shartam l'ot al yadecha  
v'hayu l'totafot bein einecha. Uch'tavtam  
al m'zuzot beitecha uvish'arecha.  
L'maan tizk'ru, vaasitem et kol mitzvotai vih'yitem k'doshim  
l'Eloheichem. Ani Adonai Eloheichem,  
asher hotzeiti et-chem mei-eretz  
Mitzrayim lih'yot lachem l'Elohim  
ani Adonai Eloheichem.*

## V'ahavtah Translation

You shall love Adonai your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, and with all your might.

Take to heart these instructions with which I charge  
you this day.

Impress them upon your children.

Recite them when you stay at home and when you  
are away,

when you lie down and when you get up.

Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them  
serve as a symbol on your forehead;

inscribe them on the doorposts of your house and on  
your gates.

Thus you shall remember to observe all My  
commandments

and to be holy to your God.

I am Adonai, your God, who brought you out of the  
land of Egypt to be your God:

I am Adonai your God.

וְאַהֲבַתְּ

you shall love

לְבַבְךָ

your heart

הַדְּבָרִים

the words

לְאוֹת

as a sign

מְזוּזוֹת

mezuzot

בֵּיתְךָ

your house

**NOTE THE NUMBER**

In the circle below each Hebrew word write the number of the English translation.

לְבַבְךָ



מְזוּזוֹת



לְאוֹת



בֵּיתְךָ



וְאַהֲבַתְּ



הַדְּבָרִים



1. you shall love
2. the words
3. mezuzot

4. your house
5. as a sign
6. your heart

**DRAW AND WRITE**

Draw a picture to illustrate these words.

\_\_\_\_\_

1. לְבַבְךָ

\_\_\_\_\_

2. מְזוּזוֹת

\_\_\_\_\_

3. בֵּיתְךָ

Write the meaning of these words.

\_\_\_\_\_

1. וְאַהֲבַתְּ

\_\_\_\_\_

2. הַדְּבָרִים

\_\_\_\_\_

3. לְאוֹת

## ROOTS

The theme of **וְאָהַבְתָּ** is our love for God. Look at the names of these three prayers having to do with the love between God and the Jewish people.

**וְאָהַבְתָּ**                      **אָהַבְתָּ עוֹלָם**                      **אָהַבְתָּ רַבָּה**

Do you notice a common root?

The root **אהב** means *love*.

Circle the three root letters—**אהב**—in each word below.

**וְאָהַבְתָּ**                      **אָהַבְתָּ**                      **אָהַבְתָּ**

Write the root. \_\_\_\_\_

What does the root mean? \_\_\_\_\_

Read the following prayer excerpts and circle all the words with the root **אהב**.

1. הַבּוֹחֵר בְּעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּאֱהָבָה
2. אָהַבְתָּ עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל עִמָּךְ אָהַבְתָּ
3. וַיַּחַד לְבַבֵּנוּ לְאֱהָבָה וּלְיִרְאָה אֶת שְׁמֶךָ
4. בְּאֱהָבָה וּבְרִצּוֹן שִׁבַּת קֹדֶשְׁךָ
5. אָהַבְתָּ רַבָּה אָהַבְתָּנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ
6. כָּל דְּבָרֵי תִלְמוּד תּוֹרָתְךָ בְּאֱהָבָה

**וְאָהַבְתָּ** tells us to reciprocate God's love for us. Write one way that we can show our love for God.

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# Prayer Building Blocks

## בֵּיתְךָ “your house”

The word בֵּיתְךָ is made up of two parts:

בֵּית means “house.”

ךָ is an ending that means “you” or “your.”

בֵּיתְךָ means “your house.”

(When we combine בֵּית and ךָ, the word is written בֵּיתְךָ or בֵּיתֶךָ.)

There are many words in the וְאֶהְבֶּתְךָ with the ending ךָ.

Read the first three lines of the וְאֶהְבֶּתְךָ and circle each word with the ending ךָ.

1. וְאֶהְבֶּתְךָ אֶת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ.
2. בְּכָל-לִבְבְּךָ וּבְכָל-נַפְשֶׁךָ וּבְכָל-מְאֹדֶךָ.
3. וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה, אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם, עַל-לִבְבְּךָ.

How many words did you circle? \_\_\_\_\_

What does the ending ךָ mean? \_\_\_\_\_

Whom is the prayer addressing?  
\_\_\_\_\_



# Shema and V'ahavta

I C T L A J W B F I K L G H W  
C C F U D T E S I A Y E D A S  
B L X A T T V U U V E O I D D  
E Y S F E M S A M T N T A E S  
Y F W C O Y T D H H A R A V X  
N D H M I Y X B J A C C M A W  
Y H K K S M Y N F N V K E R O  
A A S E L A A S X V D C H I O  
N H E C U A M Z S D N R S M F  
O T U H C L A M F H E G L Y Y  
I H G Q X D Z J Y C E B L A Y  
M I A F O C E C H A D M L E O  
A E Y V W O H M Z K T J L R W  
N Y A U G J G C R M I B N Z W  
N K B T Q I O N T E X H J P E

BETECHHA בֵּיתָךְ  
KAVOD קָבוֹד  
SHEM שֵׁם

ECHAD אֶחָד  
LEOT לְאוֹת  
SHEMA שְׁמַע

HADEVARIM הַדְּבָרִים  
MALCHUTO מַלְכוּתוֹ  
VAHAVTA וְאַהַבְתָּ

# בְּרָכוֹת שֶׁל שַׁבָּת

7



**S**habbat is a time of peace, a time for family. There are special בְּרָכוֹת with which we welcome Shabbat into our homes. When we say בְּרָכוֹת over the candles, wine, and ḥallah, we are thanking God for creating the Shabbat and allowing us to celebrate it.

**Practice reading the בְּרָכוֹת aloud.**

1. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ  
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.

*Praised are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world, who makes us holy with commandments and commands us to light the Sabbath light (candles).*

2. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגָּפֶן.

*Praised are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world, who creates the fruit of the vine.*

3. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם  
מִן הָאָרֶץ.

*Praised are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world, who brings forth bread from the earth.*

## NAME THE SHABBAT OBJECT

Complete each sentence by writing the English word or drawing a picture.

Blessing #1 is said over the

Blessing #2 is said over the

Blessing #3 is said over the

לְהַדְלִיק

to light

נֵר

a light, candle

שָׁל

of

שַׁבָּת

Shabbat

**LIGHTING THE CANDLES**

The first Shabbat בְּרָכָה we say is over the candles. Saying the בְּרָכָה helps us usher in Shabbat with brightness and joy. Once the candles have been lit at sunset and the בְּרָכָה has been said, Shabbat has begun.

Practice reading the בְּרָכָה.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר  
קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.

*Praised are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world, who makes us holy with commandments and commands us to light the Sabbath light (candles).*

**MATCH GAME**

Connect the Hebrew word to its English meaning.

to light

בְּרוּךְ

light, candle

שַׁבָּת

Shabbat

נֵר

praised

לְהַדְלִיק

# Shabbat Candle Blessing Vocabulary

Blessed, Praised: (Baruch) בָּרוּךְ

You: (atah) אַתָּה

Adonai: יי

Our G-d: (Eloheinu) אֱלֹהֵינוּ

Ruler: (melech) מֶלֶךְ

The world: (ha olam) הָעוֹלָם

Who: (asher) אֲשֶׁר

Makes us holy: (kidushanu) קִדְּשָׁנוּ

With G-d's commandments: (B'mitvotav) בְּמִצְוֹתָיו

And commands us: (vitzivanu) וְצִוָּנוּ

To light: (l'hadlik) לְהַדְלִיק

A light, candle: (ner) נֵר

Of: (shel) שֶׁל

Shabbat: שַׁבָּת

# בְּרָכוּ

1



What kinds of signals tell you something important is about to start? There's the bell announcing that it's time for recess, the ringing telephone meaning that someone wants to talk to you, and the lights going off in the movies telling you that the show is about to begin.

The בְּרָכוּ prayer is a signal—it calls the congregation together, announcing that the main part of the prayer service is about to start.

In many congregations the leader of the service says the first line of the בְּרָכוּ while bowing as a sign of respect to God—the same way one might bow down toward a king or a queen. The congregation recites the second line of the prayer in response while bowing, too.

**Practice reading the בְּרָכוּ aloud.**

1. בְּרָכוּ אֶת־יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ.

2. בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

*Praise Adonai, who is to be praised.*

*Praised is Adonai, who is to be praised forever and ever.*



# PRAYER DICTIONARY

בְּרָכוּ  
praise!

יְי  
Adonai

הַמְּבָרָךְ  
who is to be  
praised

בְּרוּךְ  
praised, blessed

לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד  
forever and ever

## SEARCH AND CIRCLE

Circle the Hebrew word(s) that means the same as the English.

forever and ever

בְּרָכוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד אֶת

Adonai

יְי בְּרָכוּ בְּרוּךְ

praise!

אֶת הַמְּבָרָךְ בְּרָכוּ

who is to be praised

אֶת לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד הַמְּבָרָךְ

## MATCH GAME

Connect the Hebrew word(s) to the English meaning.

who is to be praised

בְּרָכוּ

Adonai

יְי

praise!

הַמְּבָרָךְ

forever and ever

בְּרוּךְ

praised, blessed

לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד



## ROOTS

Three words in the **בְּרָכוּ** look and sound similar.

בְּרוּךְ      הַמְבָרֵךְ      בְּרָכוּ

Which three letters appear in each word? \_\_\_\_\_

(Hint: **ככך** and **בב** are family letters.)

Most Hebrew words are built on roots.

A root usually consists of three letters that form the foundation for new, related words.

A root has no vowels.

The three words above share the root **ברכ**.

The root **ברכ** means "bless" or "praise."

Circle the three root letters in each of these words:

בְּרוּךְ      הַמְבָרֵךְ      בְּרָכוּ

Write the root. \_\_\_\_\_

What does the root **ברכ** mean? \_\_\_\_\_

## FINAL LETTER REVIEW

The words below end in a final letter. Practice reading the words.

1. עֵץ      שְׁלוֹם      בְּרוּךְ      חֲמִץ      נוֹתֵן

2. יוֹסֵף      אֲבָרָהֶם      מְנַיֵן      מְלֵךְ      אֶלֶף

# Ma Nishtanah

מה נִשְׁתַּנָּה הַלַּיְלָה הַזֶּה מִכָּל-הַלַּיְלוֹת

*Mah nishtanah halailah hazeh mikol haleilot?*

**How is this night different from all other nights?**

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1. שֶׁבְּכָל-הַלַּיְלוֹת אָנוּ אוֹכְלִין חֶמֶץ וּמָצָה

הַלַּיְלָה הַזֶּה בְּלוֹ מָצָה

*Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin chametz umatzah, halailah hazeh, kuloh matzah.*

**On all other nights, we eat *chametz* (leavened foods) and matzah. Why on this night, only matzah?**

2. שֶׁבְּכָל-הַלַּיְלוֹת אָנוּ אוֹכְלִין שְׂאֵר יֵרָקוֹת

הַלַּיְלָה הַזֶּה מְרוֹר

*Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin sh'ar y'rakot, halailah hazeh, maror.*

**On all other nights, we eat all vegetables. Why, on this night, *maror* (bitter herbs)?**

3. שֶׁבְּכָל-הַלַּיְלוֹת אֵין אָנוּ מְטַבִּילִין אֶפְּיֵלוּ פְּעַם אַחַת

הַלַּיְלָה הַזֶּה שְׁתֵּי פְּעָמִים

*Sheb'chol haleilot ein anu matbilin afilu pa'am echat; halailah hazeh, sh'tei f'amim.*

**On all other nights, we don't dip even once. Why on this night do we dip twice?**

4. שְׁבֹכֹל-הַלַּיְלוֹת אָנּוּ אוֹכְלִין בֵּין יוֹשְׁבִין וּבֵין מְסֻבִּין

הַלַּיְלָה הַזֶּה בְּלָנּוּ מְסֻבִּין

*Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin bein yoshvin uvein m'subin; halailah hazeh, kulanu m'subin.*

**On all other nights, we eat either sitting upright or reclining. Why on this night do we all recline?**