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Sukkot Special



**I paid for a top of the line Etrog, but ended up with a real lemon.**

You get it? Etrogs are a citrus fruit. They look like lemons. You can't use a lemon as an Etrog on Sukkot. Kids do, because they can't tell the difference. Cars that are lemons are not good. So the Etrog wasn't good.

## RABBI ANSWERS HIS PUPILS

**Dear Rabbi. I've seen all these new style Sukkahs. However, I want to build a traditional one. What are some traditional Sukkahs I can build for the holiday?**

Shalom My Dear Pupil. There are four types of traditional Sukkahs. Here's the four structures you can build to show off your handiness to the neighbors.

•*Cloth Sukkah* The Cloth Sukkah is traditional Jewish building at its peak. For construction, you take the pre-tailored cloth and slip the metal pole through the folded over hole that runs through the cloth. It may sound easy to stick a pole through cloth, but it takes a good half hour to finish this structure. Which is why so many young Jewish children opt out of the building business. There's no greater feeling of reward as a builder then when you take the hard side of the Velcro and attach it to the soft side of the Velcro. Great part of this Sukkah is the mesh work on the cloth window slats. This allows for a view of the wall you set up your Sukkah against.

•*Canvas Sukkah* A step up from the Cloth Sukkah in its ability to make noise in the wind. For this Sukkah, we

use the metal ring construction technique. You have to build this with string and double knots. Make sure you practice tying knots before attempting construction. Anybody with untied shoelaces will not be of help here. The best part about this Sukkah is that after the holiday, you can use your walls to transfer the leaves from your backyard to the curb.

•*Wood Plank Sukkah* Makes for great family memories. For the full holiday experience of family hostility, this is the Sukkah for you. As memories are based in complication, the Wood Plank Sukkah made for my childhood memories, with yells of 'Where is the B plank.' As I learned later on, it was not about the plank, but rather a chance to shout at me. Other ways to make for family memories of holiday antipathy is to live in a building and to have your Sukkah in the building's courtyard. The 100 meter walk and four flights of stairs to the Sukkah, while carrying soup, will definitely have mom and dad yelling at the children. There's also the Home Sukkah. Yet, I don't suggest you carve out the living room ceiling for Sukkot, even if it's the religious thing to do. It'll bring up the heating bill this winter.

## SERMON OF REBUKE- HA'AZINU

Shabbat Shalom Heavens and Earth...  
*S*(Devarim 32:1) 'Listen Heavens and I will speak. And hear oh earth and the words of mouth.' You people don't listen. You never listen. Did you get the message from last week? The week before?... Then why is there still a board?... Moshe knows the heavens and earth listen... It's not like talking to a wall. Walls don't listen... Witness that there were no ushers for the Yizkur appeal. They don't listen to you. You say stupid stuff. You do stupid stuff. Davening was messed up... The 'Oy yay yays' between paragraphs at Musaf were too fast... I don't know if the earth and heavens could of heard. They don't listen to congregants... You must enunciate. Groans

don't work... Stupid stuff. Bouncy house Sukkah??? Can't eat... Food's flying all over. (32:3) 'When I call out the name of H' give greatness to God'... You can't even do that right. The Pasuk said to proclaim God's greatness. You just sat there like a wall... Earth and heaven would've said something... At least say 'Amen.'

(32:6) 'Is this how you repay the H', you disgraceful, unwise people?... I couldn't say it better than Moshe... And this is the Sukkah you build Him?... H' would've brought ushers. *Rivka's Notes on Rabbi Mendelchem's Drasha:* I always wondered why the rabbi gave speeches. The earth and heaven listen. I can tell you the women who sit next to me don't. The rabbi's Yom Kippur appeal was great. It was a message that spoke to all. 'Give money. People died. Give money.' He raised more than the shul ever raised. And there were no ushers. Stupid is the right way to describe the congregants. A bouncy house Sukkah? Even the kids got mad when they tried eating and jumping at the same time. Even Chaim said it makes no sense, as he was mad he couldn't eat his mom's brisket. The rabbi ended up just quoting Moshe. That was the sermon.

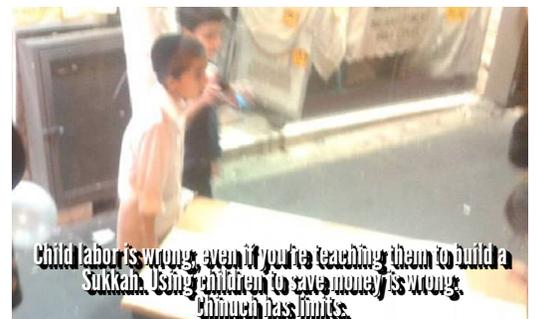
## SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Shul's communal Sukkot event will not happen at the shul. It turns out that the bouncy house Sukkah can only be used as a bouncy house. They tried placing a table there, but found out that it flipped over when you walk. The shul is returning the Sukkah due to false advertisement.**

**Next year, the shul will go back to the High Holiday traditional tunes people like. They thought it would be a good idea to try tunes that aren't enjoyable. The board didn't realize that Jewish people like tradition when they're repenting for letting their ancestors down. The shul will also stick to Machzor prayers, against board protest.**

**Next year we'll have a Chazin. People are mad they paid 200 bucks and got a second rate performance on Yom Kippur. Next year, people will get their money's worth. Yom Kippur will rock. A show with Kvetching.**

**We will have ushers for the appeals next year as well. People had no idea what to do after they flipped the tabs, and the rabbi said 'Ushers.'**



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