

Previous (Pesach/Shmini) TTriddles:

[1] FPTL: M'ACHLIM LACHEM CHAG PESACH KASHER CHAI V'SAMEIACH

We wish you a kosher, live, and joyous Pesach holiday. We added CHAI to the traditional holiday greeting, the reason for which will be obvious at the end of the Gimatriya calculation, if it isn't already obvious to you.

40+1+8+30+10+40 (129) + 30+20+40 (90) + 8+3 (11) 80+60+8 (148) + 20+300+200 (520) + 8+10 (18) + 6+300+40+8 (354) = 1270.

[2] Matzot are mentioned once in the Book of B'reishit. With whom and what word makes an important contrast to Bnei Yisrael and our matzot?

Matzot are mentioned in Parshat Vayeira. When the two angel visit Lot, he bakes matzot for them. Rashi tells us that it was on (the future) Pesach that this took place. That's the first common point: Lot and B'nei Yisrael with matzot on Pesach. When Lot is told to flee S'dom quickly, he lingers (to take his stamp collection, baseball cards, bottle caps...). The word VAYITMAHMAH, and he lingered, is highlighted by the rare (only 4 times in the whole Torah) Torah note, the SHALSHELET. That's a note that lingers on the word which means, he lingered. When B'nei Yisrael leaves Egypt in haste - as a sign of their trust in G-d, the Torah says that they did not linger, using the same word, L'HITMAH-MEl'AH, a rare word in Tanach. Matzot are fast-baked and represent haste, the opposite of lingering.

[3] CAMERA MARSH TOPAZ

- Would be essential if it were not confused

The letters of these 'confused' words rearrange to spell PESACH MATZA MAROR - Rabban Gamliel's trio of essential topics that we must discuss on Seder night.

[4] Toutes les nuits, En todas las noches, Piongso pameneun, Perché tutte le sere

SHEB'CHOL HALEILOT, That on all other nights... in French, Spanish, Korean, Italian.