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SAMPLE ONE

From the Mishnafari Book

Everything Counts

“So, who can help me?” cries Leo. Everybody looks down feeling badly, but no one can. Their paws are too big to catch those fleas and pull them out.

By the time Moshe Mouse comes, Leo is desperate. He tells him all about yesterday and more importantly, about the fleas that are all over his body. He tells him how miserable he feels, but he tries to keep himself from crying all over again.

“That’s it! You helped me decide who we are going to visit today!” says Moshe.

“How? What do you mean?” Leo has no clue what’s going on in Moshe’s mind.

“Repeat after me,” declares Moshe.

Wishnah Mishnah rain or shine,
everyone has their special time.
All the sages know it’s true.
Respect is deserved for me and you.



SAMPLE TWO

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Chapter 4 - Meeting Ben Azzai



"I'm Shimon Ben Azzai, and I'm happy to answer any question you have."

But Leo does not have a question, he looks at Moshe Mouse with big eyes. Moshe looks at Ben Azzai and begins telling the story.

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"The other day, we had a flood. All the creatures had to save themselves and our friend Leo, not only saved himself, but he ran back and saved his friends - two beetles who live on a banana leaf by his cove."



"That's a heroic story! I hope you are proud of yourself, Leo" says Ben Azzai.

"Yes, thank you, but may I ask, how is this connected to our meeting?"

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“So right after Leo saved them,” continues Moshe Mouse, Benny, the beetle, thanked Leo and promised to help him when a time comes that he needs a friend to help. But, Leo was laughing at Benny and hurt his feelings. He said that Benny was too tiny to be of any help.”

“Oh, my, my,” sighs Ben Azzai. “I definitely have to teach you one important Mishnayah.”

Do not scorn any man, and do not discount anything. For there is no man who has not his hour, and no thing that has not its place.

“So many big words,” complains Leo. “I’m not sure I know what you are saying.” Leo is puzzled and confused.

“In two words” says Ben Azzai -
“Everything Counts.”

“Everyone is worthy. Every creature in the world is important. Every creature can do something that others cannot. Even when it looks like someone can’t do anything because they are too small or too big...”

“Hmmm, I wonder what a beetle can do...”
mumbled Leo.

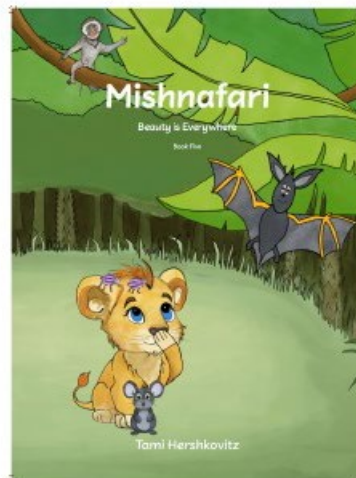
“Are you kidding me?” yells Moshe. “Go back home, find our friends and ask them what their favorite food is.”

“Hmmm, okay, I will.”

It takes Leo a little while to realize what Ben Azzai and Moshe Mouse tried to tell him.



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Join our friends on their adventure as they learn to look beyond appearances.

*Skip and hop on the pile so high,
all the leaves will start to fly.
Once we say our little rhyme,
magic takes us back in time!*

Leo, a young cub in the Savanna of Africa, discovers with his friend, Moshe Mouse, that they can fly back in time. Back through the ages, they meet the sages who help them make the right choices in life. Mishnafari is based on the part of the Mishnah that is dedicated to ethics and good behavior.

Join Leo and Moshe as they learn that everything in the world has its time to shine.

