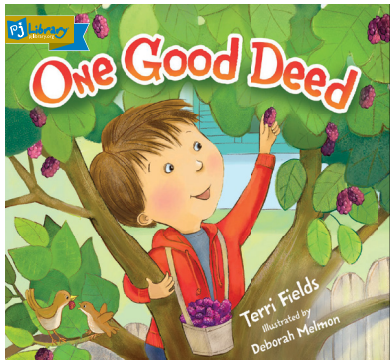


BIG QUESTION

What makes a good neighborhood?



One Good Deed

Kindness
Gemilut chasadim
 גְּמִילוּת חֶסֶדִים

DISCUSS JEWISH VALUES WITH YOUR CHILD

Judaism believes that the world depends on *gemilut chasidim* - acts of loving kindness performed without expectation of reward. Acts of kindness tend to be contagious and encourage other people to “pay it forward.”

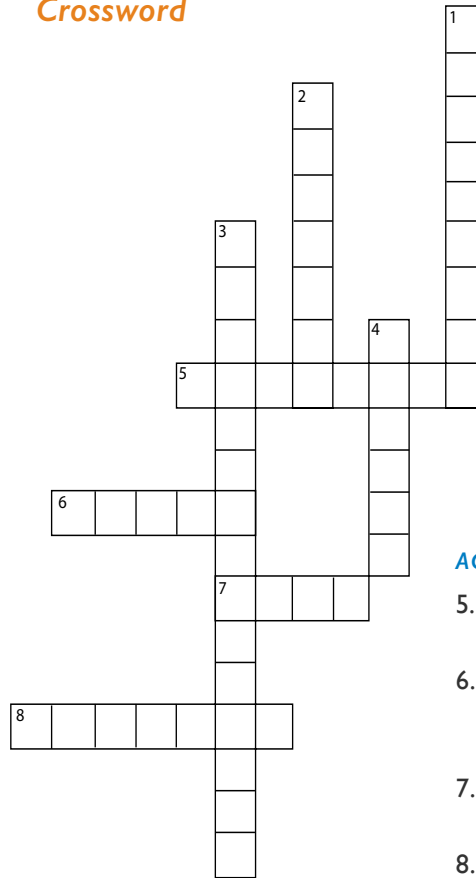
When have you jumped in to help someone in need?

What types of things can you do to help others, and hopefully start a chain reaction of kindness?

DO FUN STUFF AT HOME

Designate a day as Kindness Day and do things for people in your neighborhood or community. Bake cookies for those nearby, visit elderly neighbors, or help someone in their yard. What else can your family do?

Crossword



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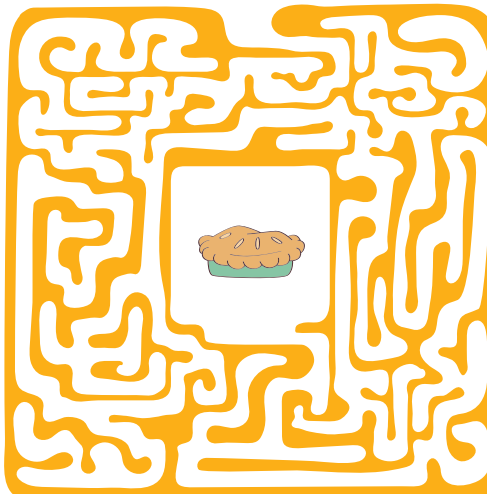
- The people who live near your home are your _____
- When we do something nice for someone, and they in turn do something nice for another person, we say they are “paying it _____”
- The Jewish value that means “acts of loving-kindness” (two words)
- A community is made up of all of the _____ who live and work there

ACROSS

- Consideration and generosity to others
- Another word for routine; something you do so often it becomes natural
- What you give to someone who is in need; assistance
- The Hebrew word for commandment

Maze

Ride your bicycle through the neighborhood to bring a pie to Grandma Sadie.



Q WHAT CAN ONE CLOCK DO TO HELP ANOTHER CLOCK?

A HE CAN LEND A HAND.

Q HOW DO WE KNOW THAT THE OCEAN IS FRIENDLY?

A IT ALWAYS WAVES TO US.

Answer Key
 1. neighbors 2. forward 3. gemilut chasadim
 4. people 5. kindness 6. habit 7. help
 8. mitzvah

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