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1. Did Yosaif like being in jail? NO
2. How long was Yosaif in jail altogether? TWELVE YEARS
3. Paroh had two strange dreams. In one of them, what did the seven skinny cows do? ATE SEVEN FAT COWS AND STAYED SKINNY
4. In the other dream, what did the bad-looking ears of corn do? EAT GOOD - LOOKING EARS OF CORN
5. Did Paroh remember what the dreams meant when he woke up? NO
6. Who did he ask *first* to explain his dreams? HIS MAGICIANS
7. Did the magicians explain his dreams correctly? NO
8. The head servant told Paroh that someone could explain dreams. Who? YOSAIF
9. Why was the head servant a bad person? HE CALLED YOSAIF MEAN NAMES EVEN THOUGH YOSAIF EXPLAINED HIS DREAM CORRECTLY
10. Yosaif was called to the palace. He stood in front of Paroh. What did Paroh ask him to explain? HIS DREAMS
11. Yosaif told Paroh that someone would help him explain the dreams. Who would help him? HASHEM
12. Yosaif explained the dreams. What did he say there would be a lot of for seven years? FOOD
13. After these seven years ended, what did Yosaif say there would not be enough of for another seven years? FOOD
14. What did Yosaif tell Paroh to do to get ready for the seven years of not having enough food to eat? PICK SOMEONE TO SAVE FOOD DURING THE FIRST SEVEN YEARS
15. Who did Paroh pick to save the food? YOSAIF
16. Why didn't Paroh's helpers like Yosaif being the new boss? BECAUSE HE WAS SOLD AS A SLAVE AND SLAVES COULD NOT BE BOSSES IN MITZZRAYIM
17. Did the Egyptians like Yosaif being a boss? NO
18. To make the Egyptians feel better, Potifar let Yosaif marry the girl who lived with him and Zulaicha. Her name was Osnat. How many sons did they have? TWO
19. EXTRA CREDIT: Name the two sons of Yosaif and Osnat. אֶפְרַיִם / EFRAYIM AND מְנַשֶּׁה / MENASHE
20. Who saved food during the years when there was a lot of food to eat? YOSAIF
21. When the year came that there wasn't enough food to eat, why did the Egyptians have to buy food from Yosaif? THE FOOD THEY SAVED SPOLED, SO THEY HAD NO CHOICE

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22. Yosaif told the Egyptians that they would have to do some things before he would sell them food. One thing was that they would have to not pray to idols and they would have to pray only to who? ה' יהוה

23. Yosaif also told Egyptian men and boys that they had to get something on their bodies. Get what? BRIT MILAH

24. The Egyptains did not want to do these things so they complained to Paroh. What did he tell them to do? WHATEVER YOSAIF SAID

25. There was also a famine in Canaan. Who did Yakov send to Mitzrayim to buy food? HIS SONS

26. Why wouldn't Yakov let Binyamin go to Mitzrayim with his brothers? HE WAS AFRAID SOMETHING BAD MAY HAPPEN TO HIM ON THE WAY

27. Yosaif knew his brothers would come to buy food. So he had his helpers make lists of people who came to Mitzrayim from other countries. Whose names did he see one day on some lists? HIS BROTHERS

28. The brothers went to Mitzrayim. They came in through different gates. When Yosaif did not see Binyamin's name on his list, what did he think? MAYBE THE BROTHERS KILLED HIM OR SOLD HIM AS A SLAVE

29. Yosaif had them brought to him. The brothers stood in front of Yosaif and they bowed to him. Who recognized whom? YOSAIF KNEW HIS BROTHERS BUT THEY DID NOT RECOGNIZE HIM

30. With what kind of voice did Yosaif decide to talk to them? MEAN VOICE

31. What did Yosaif say they were? SPIES

32. What did Yosaif pretend to look at so he could tell all about his brothers? HIS MAGIC SILVER CUP

33. Yosaif said that if they wanted to show that they were not spies, they had to BRING BINYAMIN WITH THEM TO MITZRAYIM

34. Yosaif put the brothers in jail. When he let them out, he gave them food. He then told them to bring someone to Mitzrayim. Who? BINYAMIN

35. Which brother did Yosaif keep in jail and why? SHIMON, BECAUSE HE THREW YOSAIF IN THE PIT

36. Right before they left Mitzrayim, Yosaif told his son Menashe to put two things in their bags. What? THE FOOD THEY BOUGHT AND THE MONEY THEY PAID TO BUY IT

37. The brothers found the food and money in their bags on their way home. They were scared. Why did they say ה' יהוה was punishing them? FOR SELLING YOSAIF FOR MONEY

38. The brothers told their father Yakov about the mean man in Mitzrayim. They told him that they had to bring Binyamin to Mitzrayim. At first, did Yakov say yes or no to letting Binyamin go? NO

39. When did Yakov finally say it was O.K. to bring Binyamin to Mitzrayim? WHEN YEHUDA PROMISED TO BRING HIM BACK SAFELY HOME

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40. The brothers went back to Mitzrayim with Binyamin. What did they bring with them to give to Yosaif? SOME EXPENSIVE PRESENTS
41. The brothers got to Mitzrayim. They were with Yosaif. Yosaif scared his brothers because he did something he never did before. What? HE INVITED THEM TO EAT WITH HIM
42. Why were the brothers scared? THEY THOUGHT YOSAIF WANTED TO PUNISH THEM FOR TAKING THE MONEY
43. The brothers gave him the presents and bowed to him. What did he ask them? IF THEIR FATHER AND GRANDFATHER WERE O.K.
44. The brothers said Yakov was still living. Yosaif then asked if Binyamin had any children. What did Binyamin say? YES
45. Who did Binyamin name his children after? AFTER HIS LOST BROTHER
46. When Binyamin said that he named his sons after Yosaif, what did he do? HE LEFT THE ROOM AND CRIED
47. Yosaif came back into the room. He invited the brothers to eat a meal with him. What did Yosaif pretend to use to tell each brother where to sit? HIS MAGIC SILVER CUP
48. Yosaif seated them in order of their ages. After the meal, before the brothers were to go back to Canaan, Yosaif told Binyamin who he was. Then Yosaif told Binyamin to keep something a secret. What? THAT HE WAS THEIR BROTHER
49. Before the brothers left Mitzrayim, where did Yosaif tell Menashe to put the magic silver cup? IN BINYAMIN'S BAG
50. After the brothers left, Menashe chased after them. He told them Yosaif was angry because of one of them. Why? BECAUSE SOMEONE STOLE HIS MAGIC SILVER CUP
51. They said they didn't. Menashe checked all their bags. Where did he find the magic silver cup? IN BINYAMIN'S BAG
52. Menashe brought the brothers back to Yosaif. What part of Yosaif's dream did the brothers do? THEY BOWED TO HIM
53. How did Yosaif want to punish Binyamin for stealing the cup? BY MAKING HIM YOSEF'S SLAVE
54. Yehuda said he did not want Binyamin to be the slave. What did Yehuda want? ALL THE BROTHERS TO BE YOSAIF'S SLAVES