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1. What was used to light the menorah? OLIVE OIL
2. How was olive oil made? BY SQUEEZING THE OLIVES
3. Which drops could be used for the menorah? ONLY THE FIRST FEW
4. Who were the only people allowed to clean and light the menorah?
KOHANIM
5. What was special about the Western Lamp? IT BURNED ALL THE TIME AND NEVER WENT OUT
6. What was the *kohain gadol*? THE MAN IN CHARGE OF THE MISHKAN AND, LATER, THE BAIT HAMIKDASH
7. Who was the first kohain gadol? AHARON
8. Who were the kohanim? AHARON'S FOUR SONS AND THEIR DESCENDANTS
9. Here are some questions about the kohain clothes. Who could wear them? ONLY A KOHAIN
10. When did a kohain wear them? ONLY WHILE WORKING IN THE MISHKAN OR BAIT HAMIKDASH
11. Was he allowed to sleep in them? NO
12. Let's say a kohain offered a sacrifice and he was not wearing one or more of his clothes. What did the man who brought the sacrifice have to do? BRING ANOTHER SACRIFICE
13. The kohain gadol wore eight special clothes. We'll talk about one of them, the *choshen*. What was on the front of the choshen? 12 SQUARES UPON WHICH WERE WRITTEN THE NAMES OF THE 12 TRIBES
14. The *urim vetumim* was inside the choshen. What kind of questions could be asked of the urim vetumim? QUESTIONS ABOUT THE JEWISH PEOPLE, THE KING OF ISRAEL OR THE JEWISH COURT
15. If someone asked the urim vetumim a question, how did the kohain gadol know the answer? BY READING THE LETTERS THAT WERE LIT UP ON THE CHOSHEN
16. If a Jew in the desert sinned, what did a diamond on the choshen from his tribe do? GOT DARKER
17. What was the *shamir*? A LITTLE BUG THAT CUT THE DIAMONDS FOR THE EFOD (apron) AND CHOSHEN
18. Before the kohanim in the desert could begin working in the Mishkan, they had to do four things. One is that they had to watch someone offer the sacrifices so they could see how it was done. Who did they watch? MOSHE
19. Another thing was that they had to do something in a mikve. What? TAKE A BATH
20. What did Moshe put on the foreheads of the kohanim? SOME HOLY OIL
21. What did they put on each day? THEIR KOHAIN CLOTHES
22. How many times each day did the kohanim offer the spice sacrifice on the spice altar? TWO