



Silly Hebrew Trick Flashcards

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Print Suggestions:

- These flashcards are formatted for printing on 8.5"x11" paper or cardstock.
- They look best when printed in color, but the cards should all be legible when printed in greyscale too.
- For full-page (8.5"x11") flashcards, print full-size and double-sided. **There is an intentionally blank page after this to keep the collation aligned**, or simply start printing from Page 3. Fold along the dotted line and tape or glue to keep the flashcard flat.
- For half-page (8"x5.5") flashcards, print single-sided and "two pages per sheet" in your Print dialog box (Ctrl+P / ⌘+P). Cut the sheets in half between the flashcards, then fold along the dotted line and tape or glue to keep the flashcard flat.

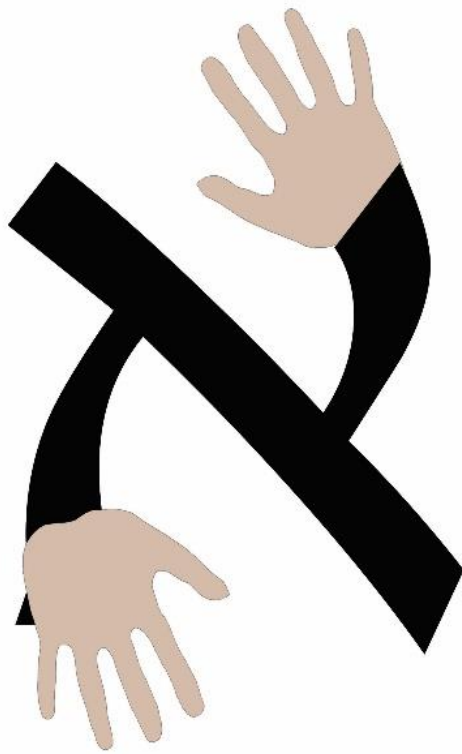
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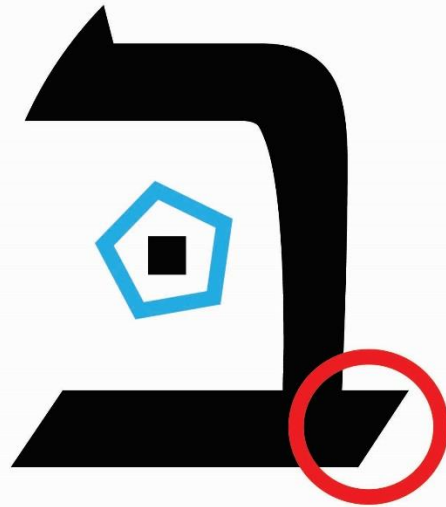


Alef's **A**rms reach
out **silently**

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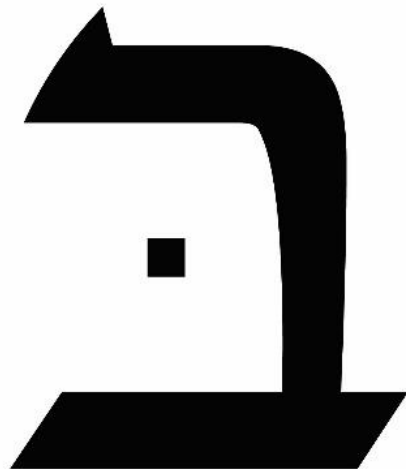


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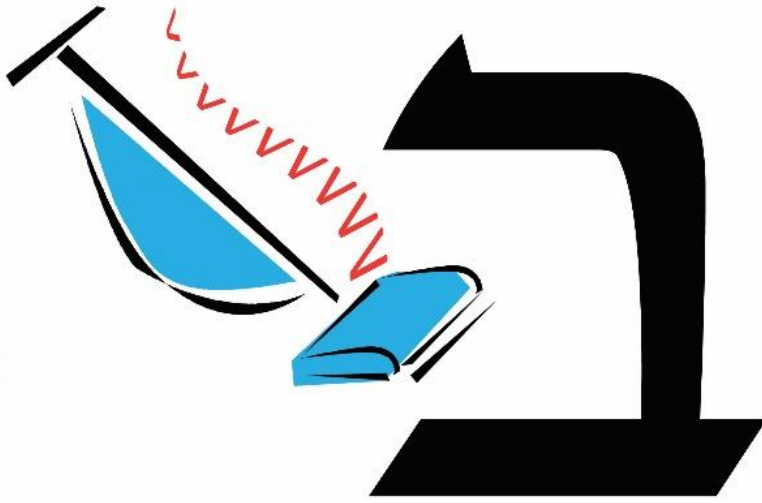


Bet has a **B**ig **B**utt
and a **B**elly **B**utton

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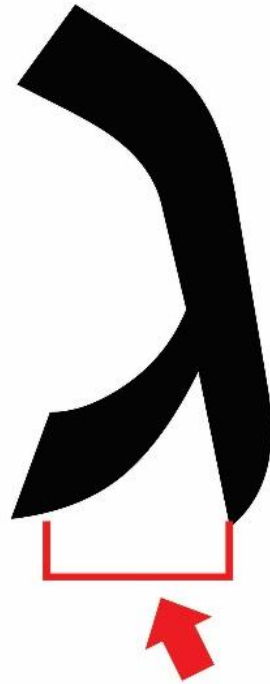


Vet's Belly has been
Vacuumed:
it's **V**acant

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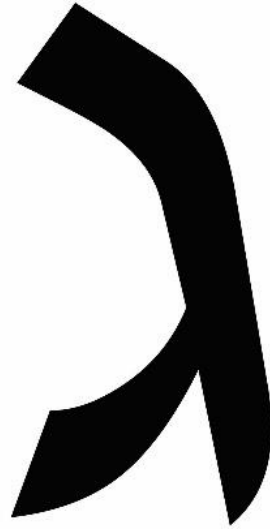


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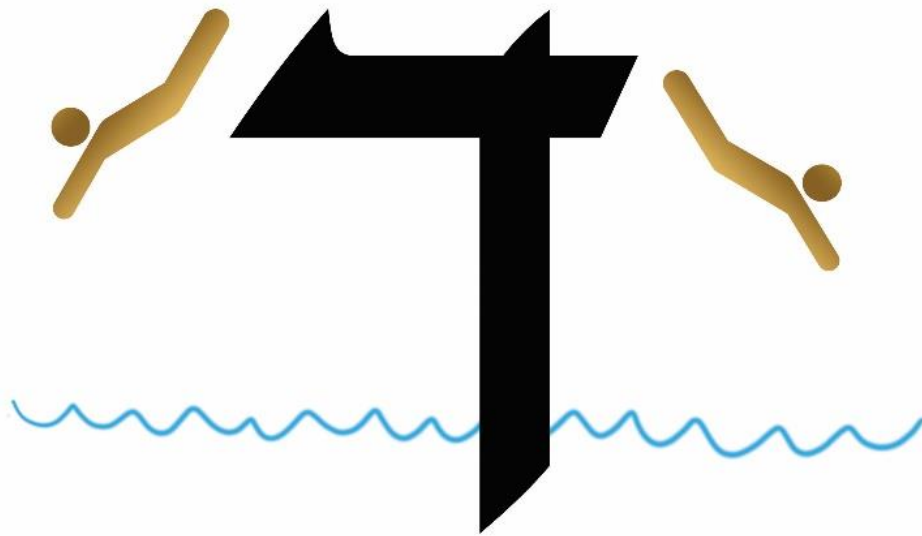


Gimel has a **G**ap

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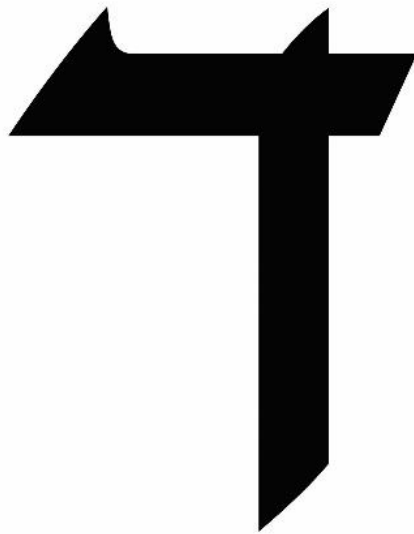


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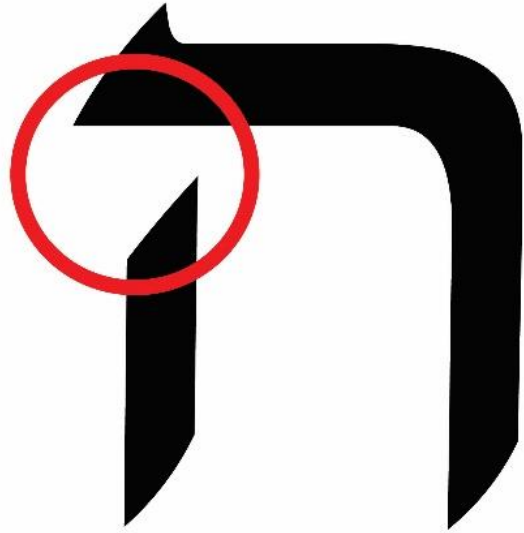


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Double-sided
Diving board

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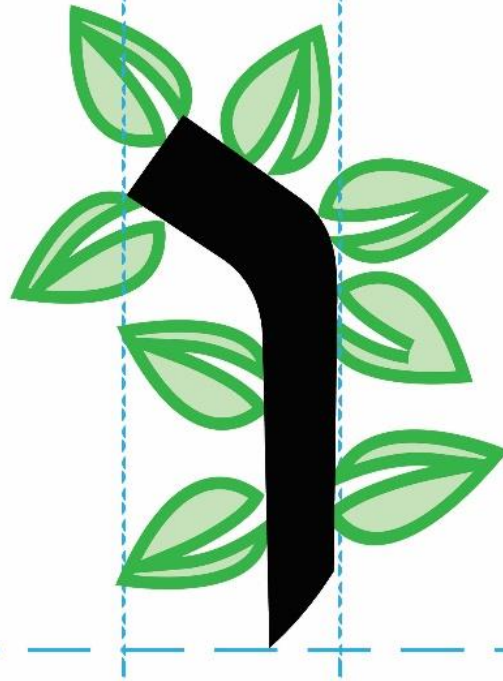


Hei has a **H**ole
on its left side

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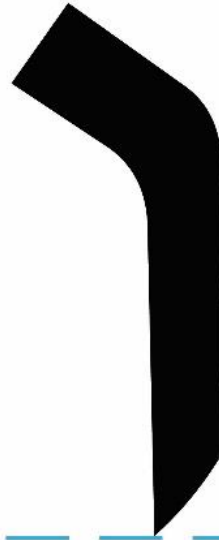
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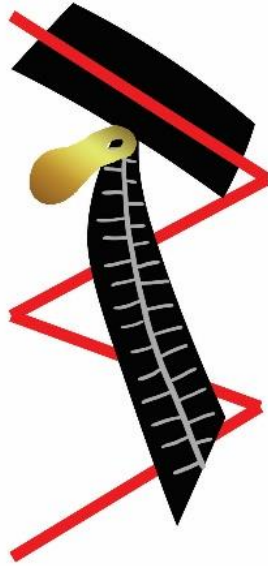


Vav is a **V**ery
thin **V**ine

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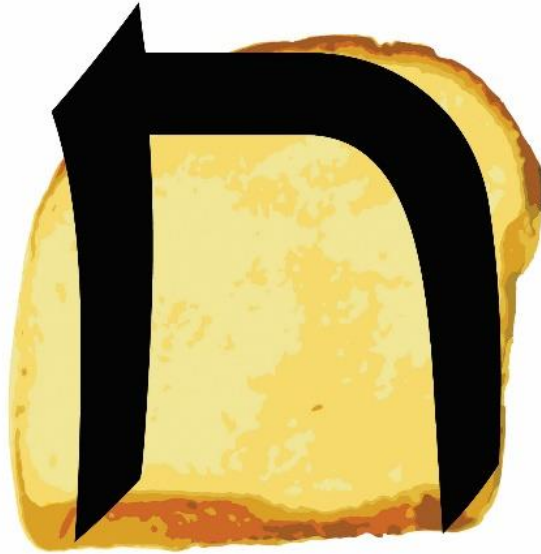


Zayin has a
Zig-**Z**ag
Zipper-top

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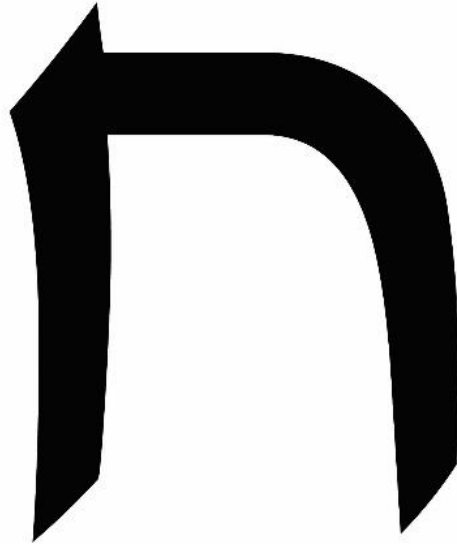


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CHet looks like a
slice of **CH**allah

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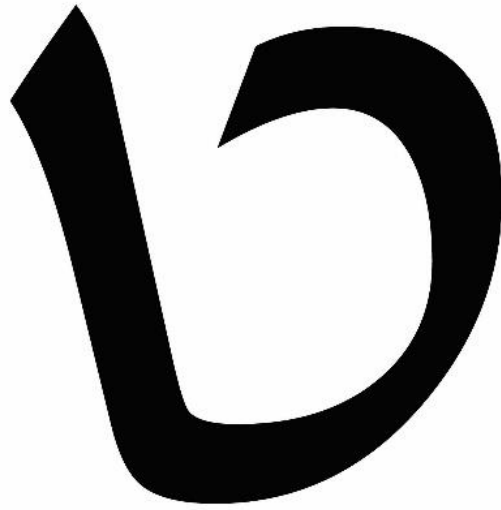


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Tet looks like a **T**ent
with a hole
in the **T**op

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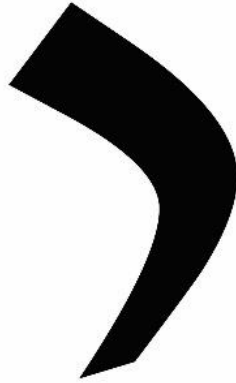
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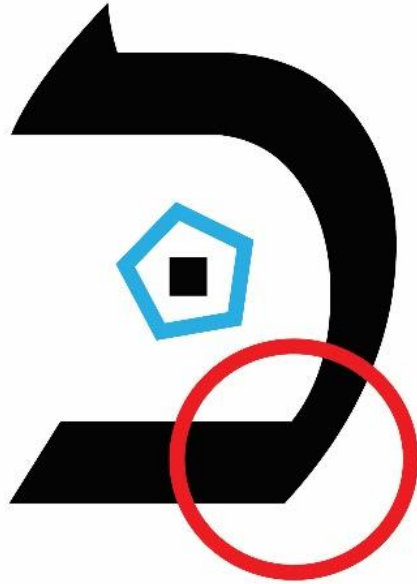
Yip,
Yip, Yip!

Yud is a tiny
puppy **y** saying,
“**Y**ip, **Y**ip, **Y**ip!”

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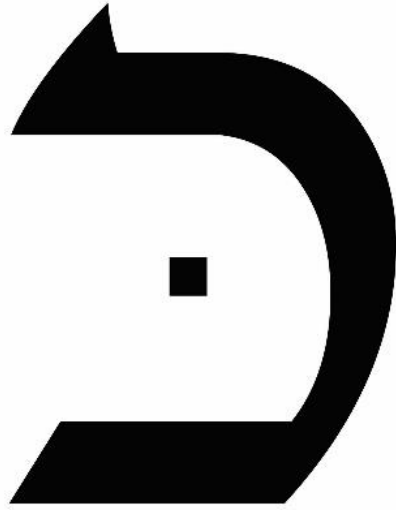


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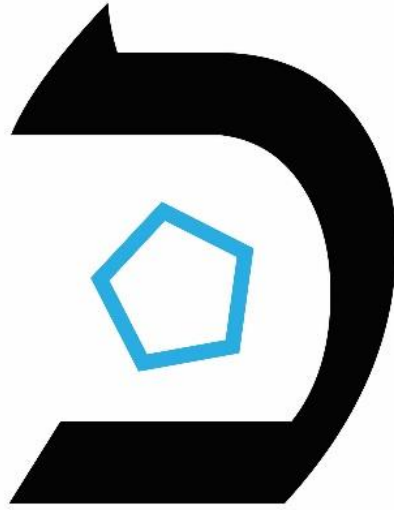


Kaf has a
Curved **C**orner
and a **C**ough drop
in its mouth

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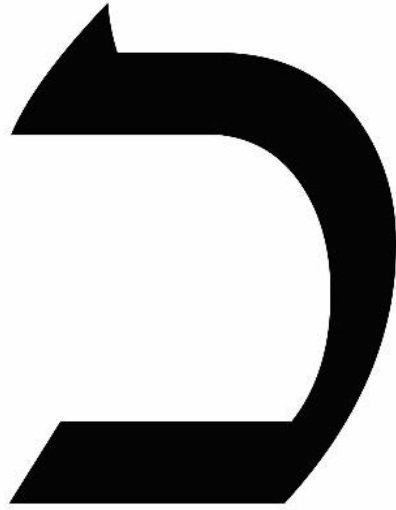


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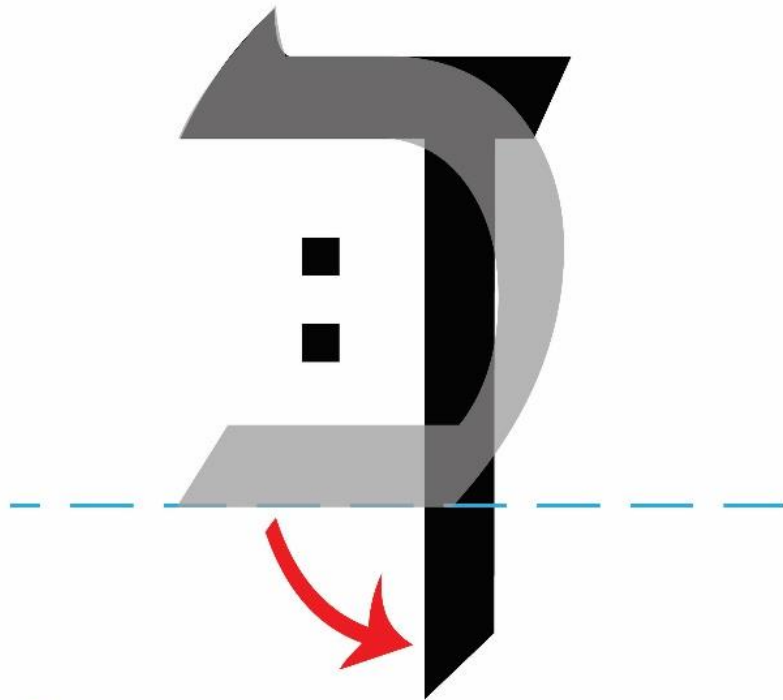


CHaf *needs* a **c**ough
drop: it keeps clearing
its throat, “**CHHHH!**”

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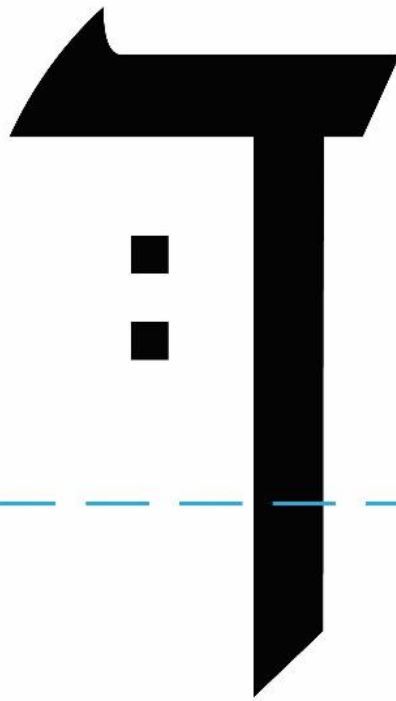


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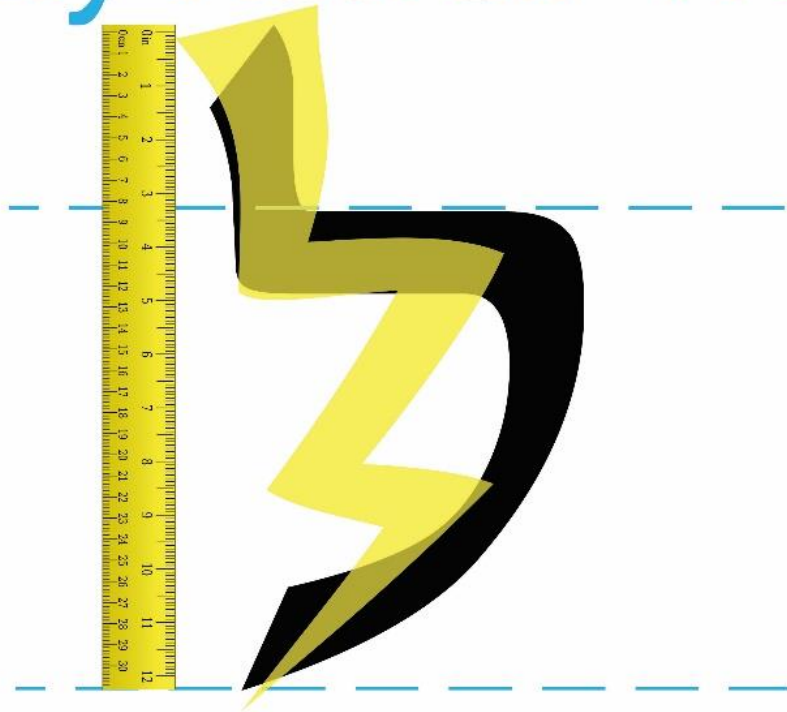


CHaf's base drops
at the end of a word,
becoming Final **CH**af

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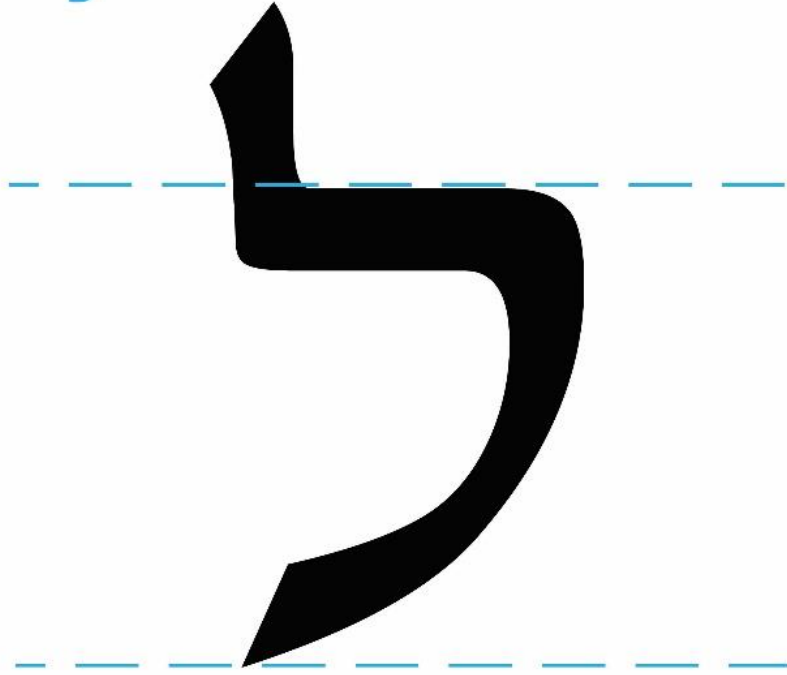


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Lamed is a **L**ong
strike of **L**ightning

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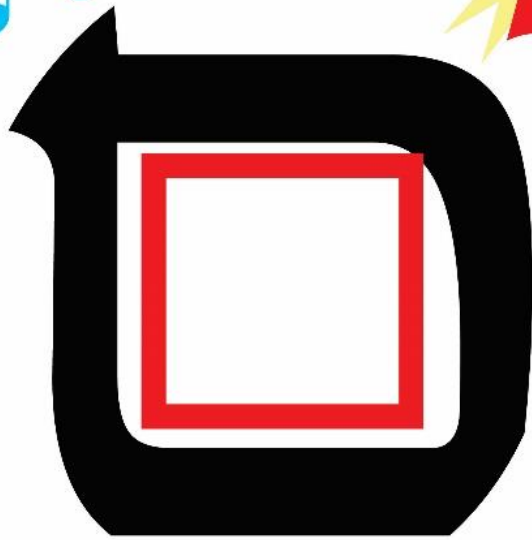


Mem has a
Man hiking on
a **M**ountain

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Mem **M**agically turns
into a **M**usic **box** at
the end of a word,
becoming Final **M**em

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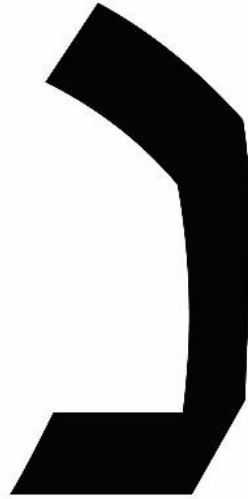
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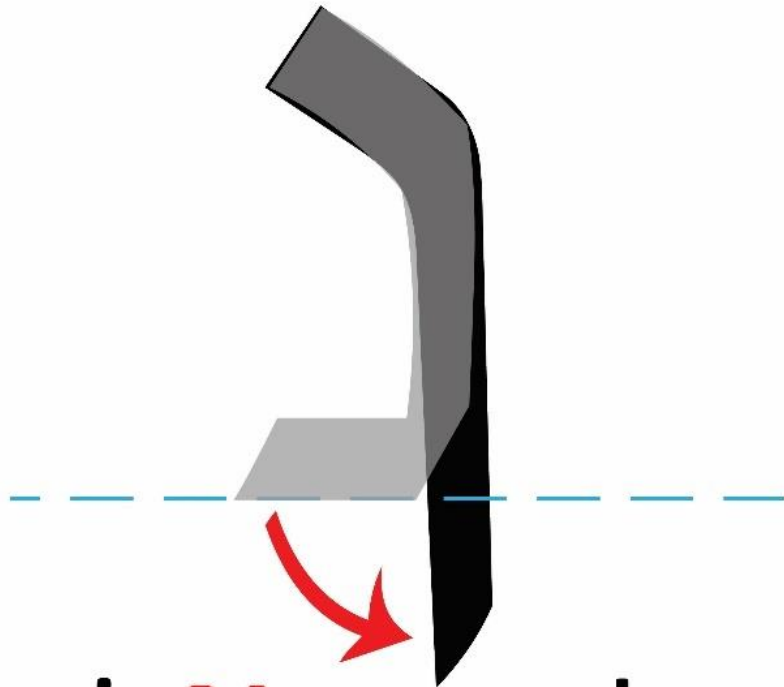


Nun has a **N**arrow
foot **N**ext to
the ground

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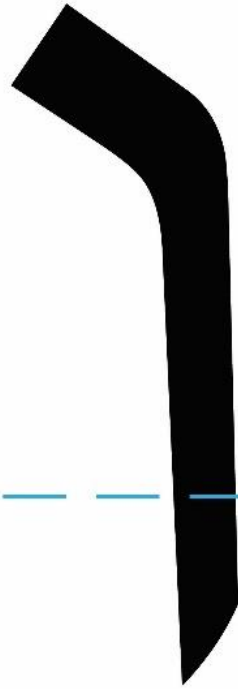
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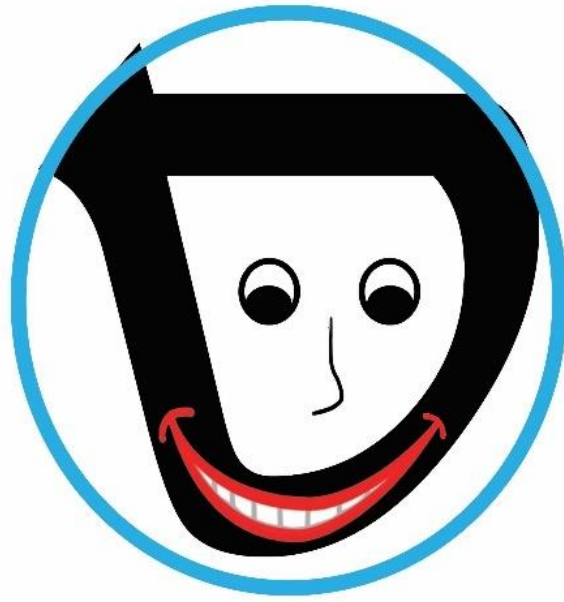
Nun's **N**arrow base
drops down at the end
of a word to become

Final **N**un

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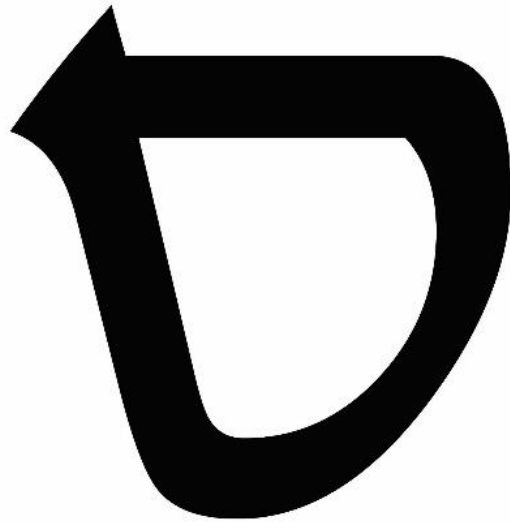


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Circle **S**amech
gives you a **S**mile

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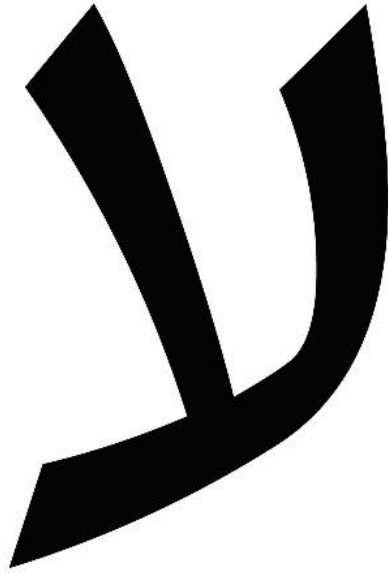
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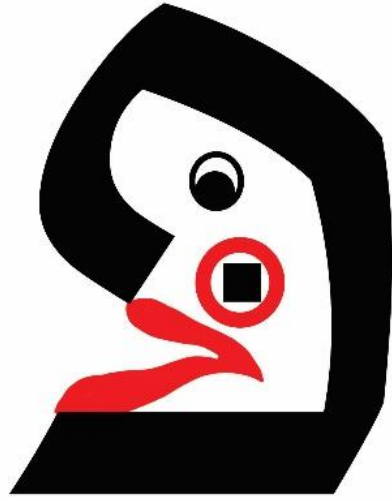
Ayin's **A**rms

reach up **silently**

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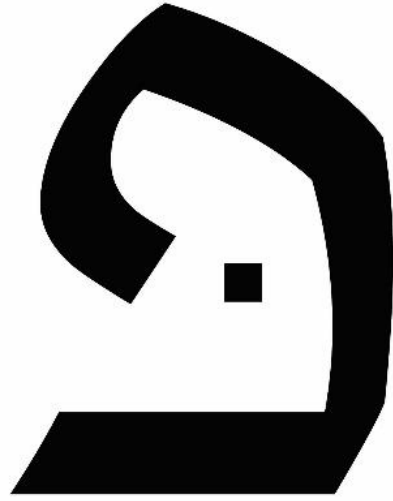


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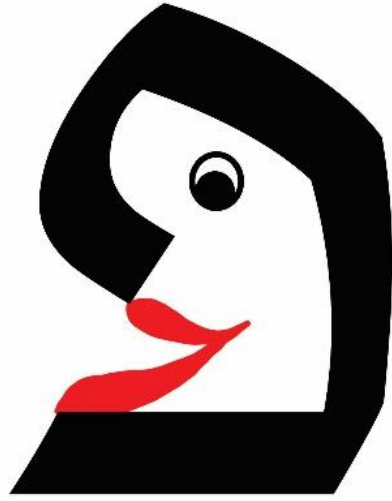


Pei's **f**ace has a
Pimple on it

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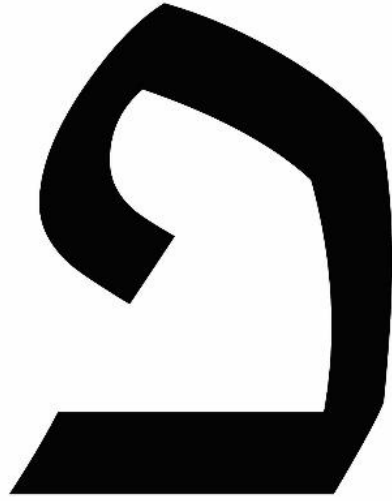


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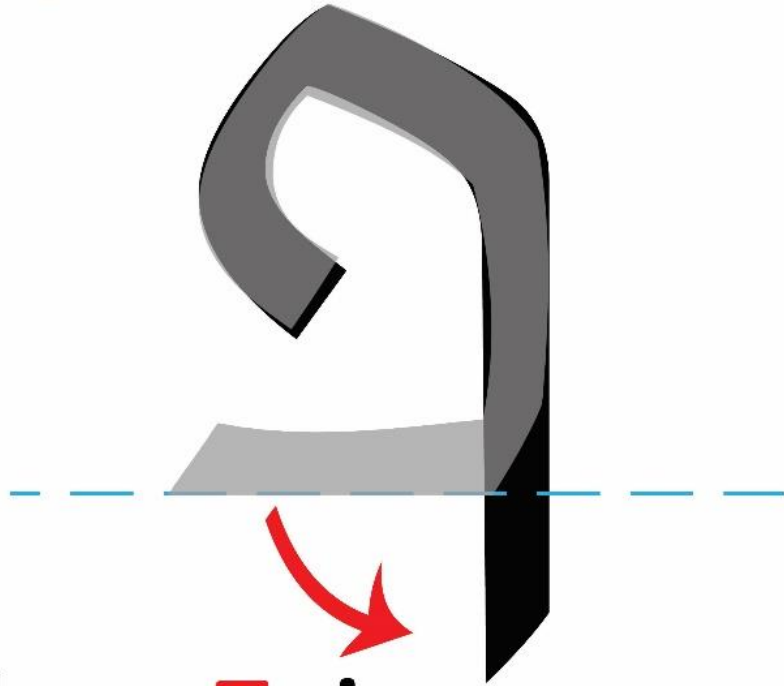


Fei looks like a
Face

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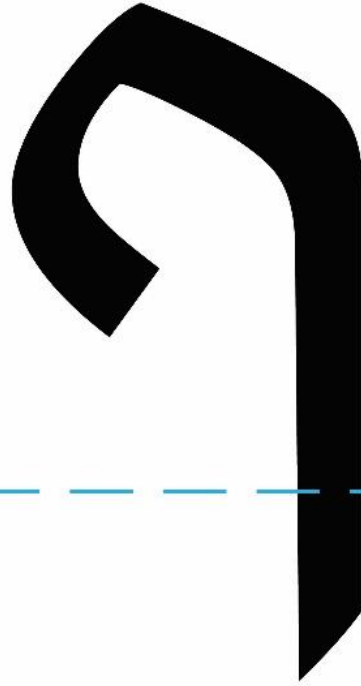


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When **F**ei comes at
the end of a word,
the **F**ace's base **f**alls
to become Final **F**ei

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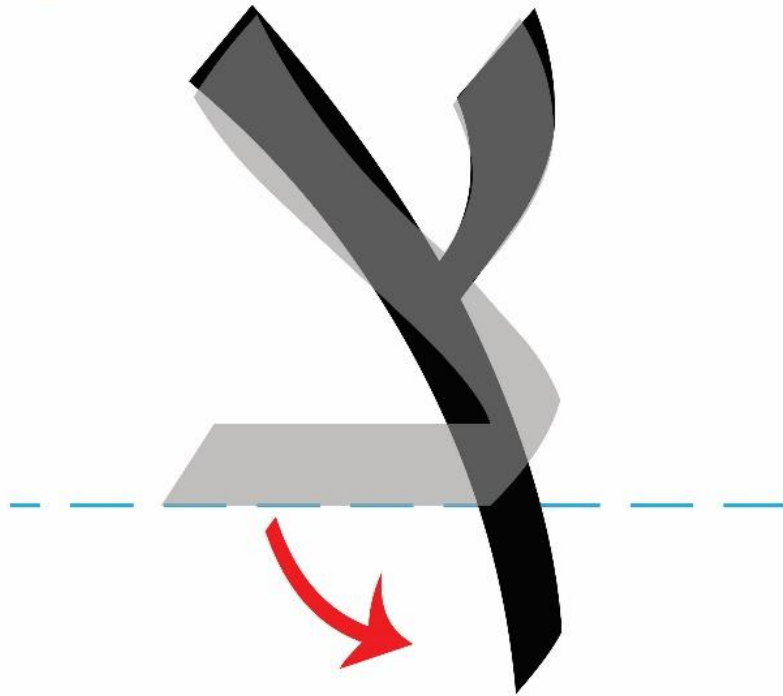


TZadee has a piece
of steaming-hot
pi**ZZ**a in its left side

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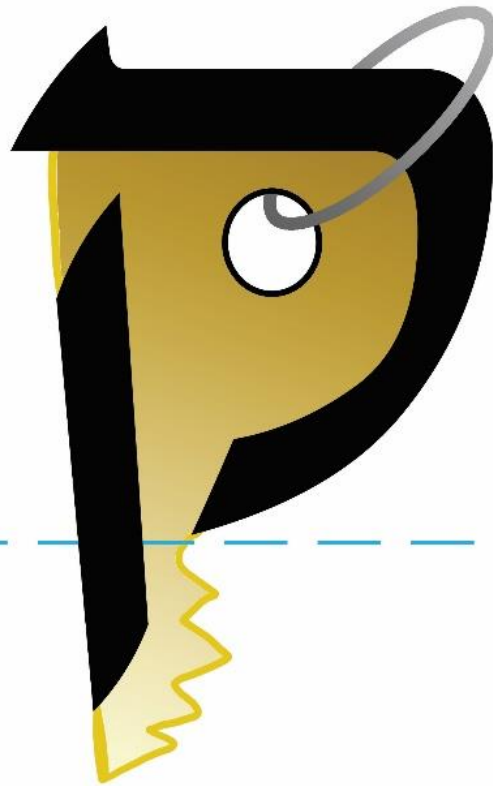


TZadee's pi**ZZ**a base
drops down at the end
of a word to become
Final **TZ**adee

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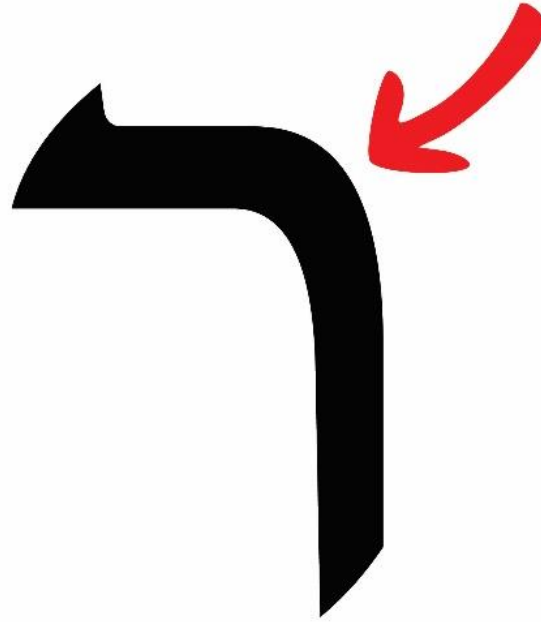


Koof looks like
a **K**ey

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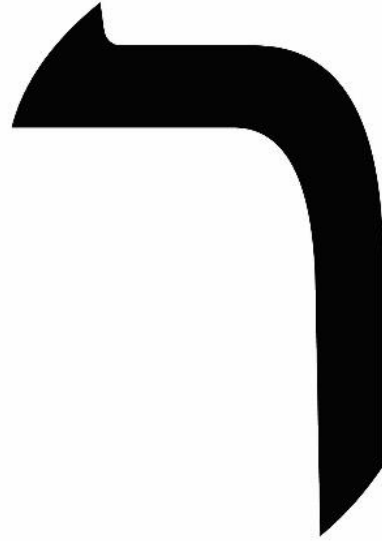
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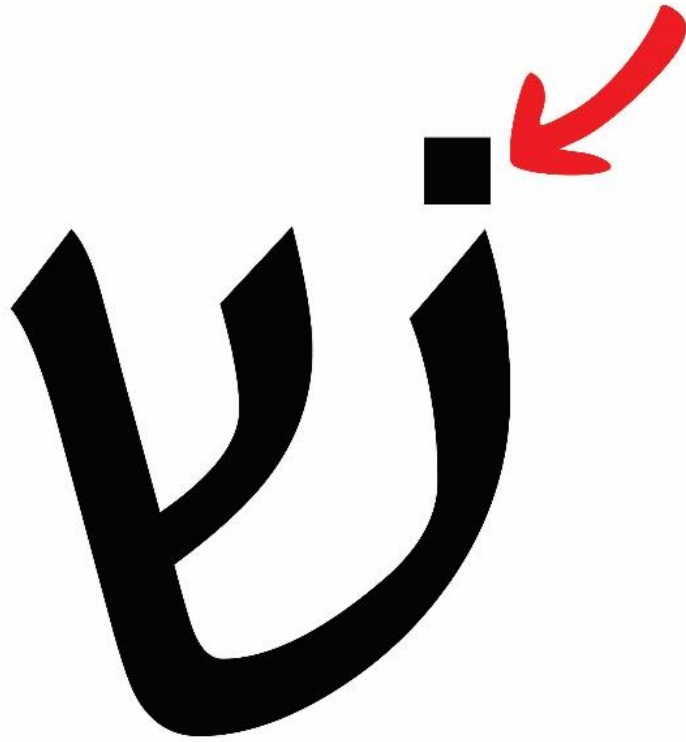


Reish has a
Rounded
Right-angle corner

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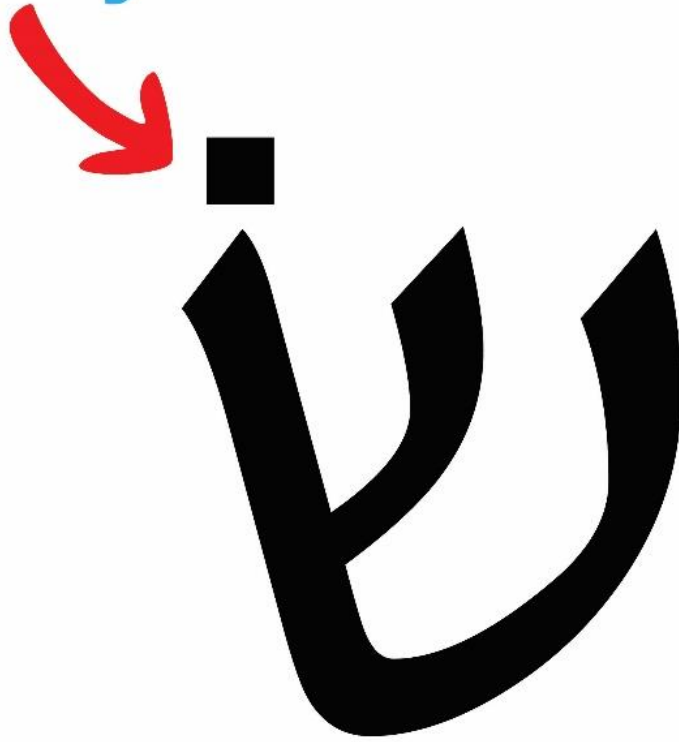
SHin's dot says,

"SHe is always **right!**"

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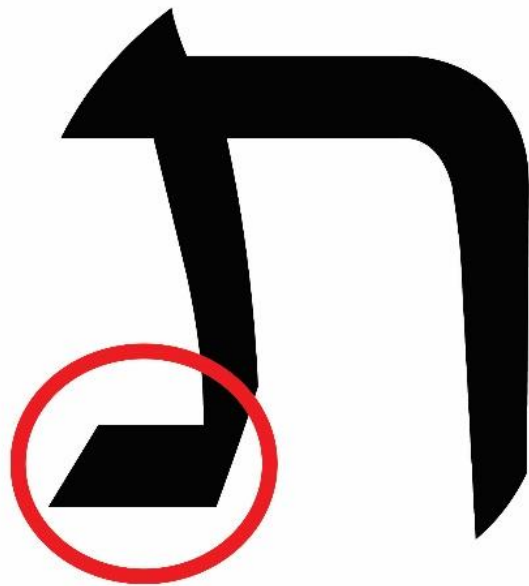


Sin's dot says,
"A **S**in is **never right!**"
(so it's on the **left**)

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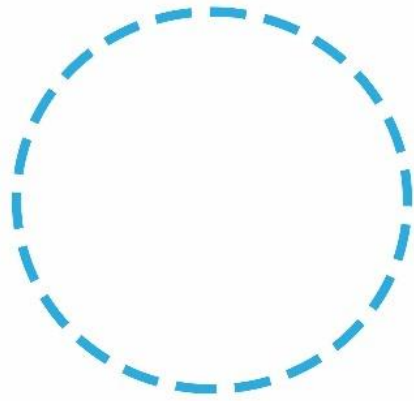
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Toe

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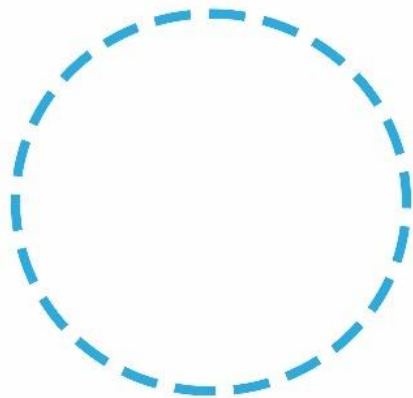
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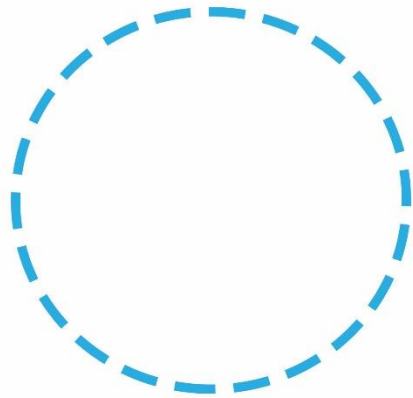


Patach is the tongue
depressor at the
doctor: "Say **AH!**"

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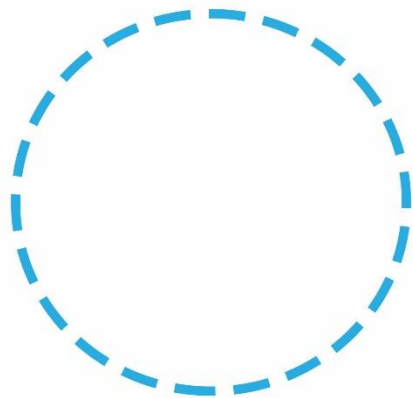


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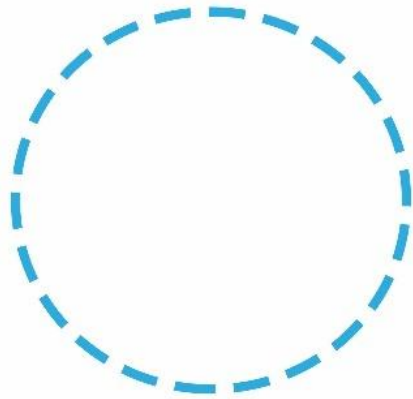
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doctor: “Say **AH!**”

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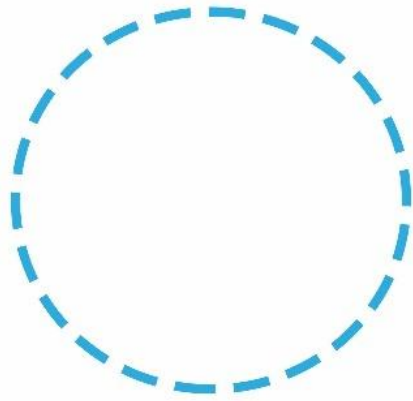
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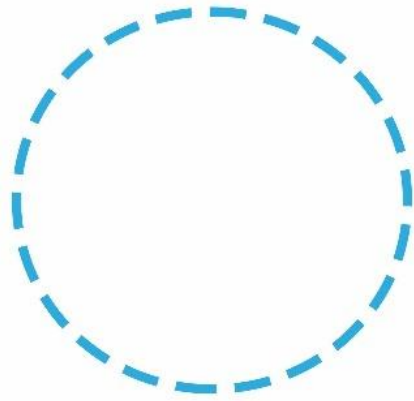


Chirik is a button
that goes,
“bEEEEEEEEEEEEp!”

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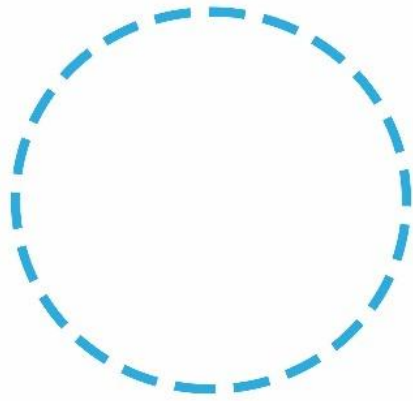


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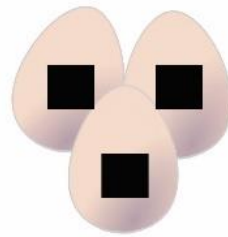
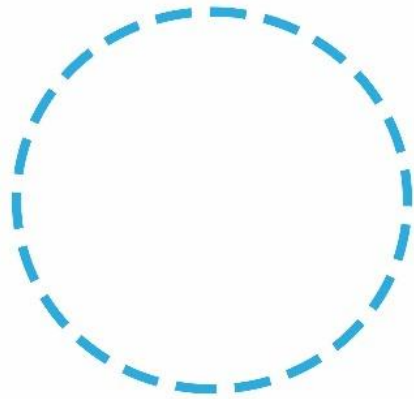


Sh'va is like a colon:
it says **STOP**

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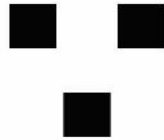
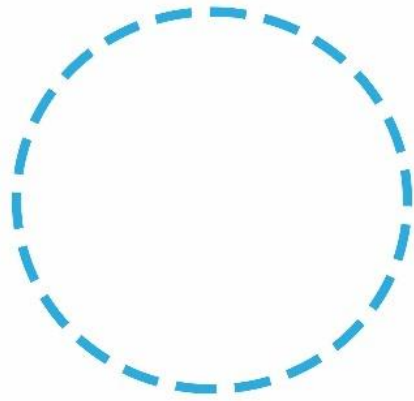


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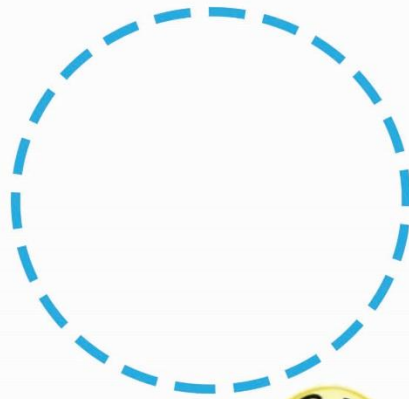


Segol is a bunch
of **E**ggs

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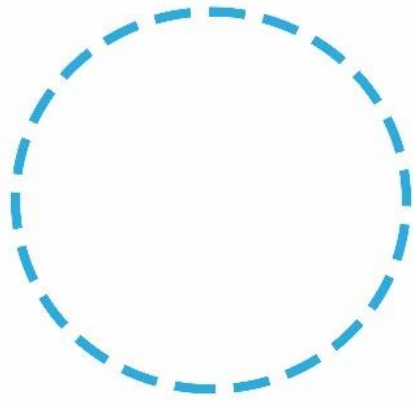


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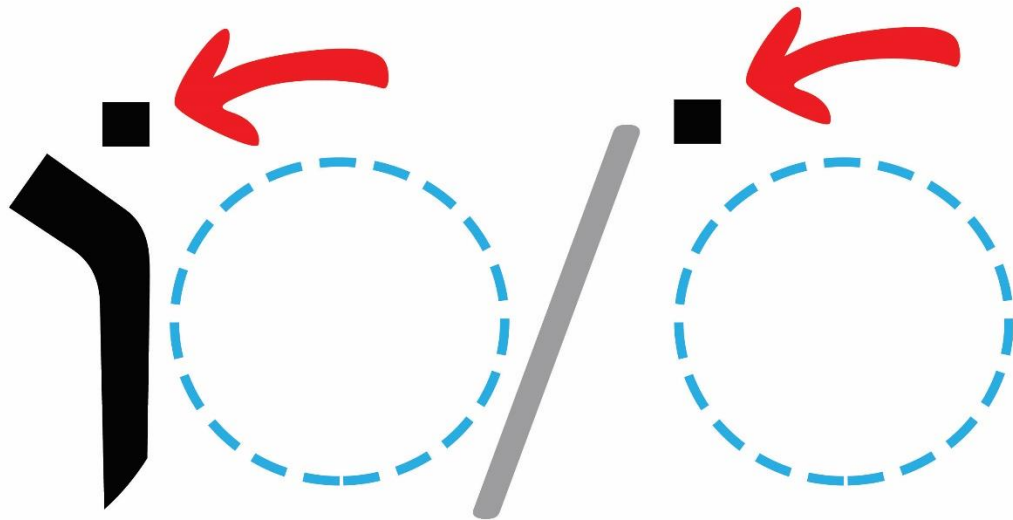


Tzeirei says
“HEYYYYY!”

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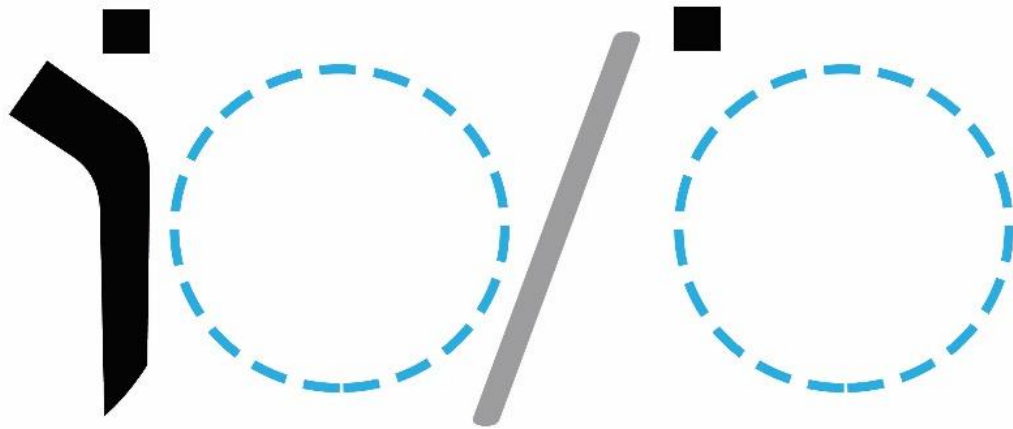
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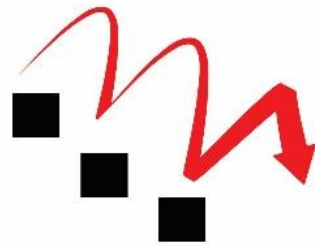
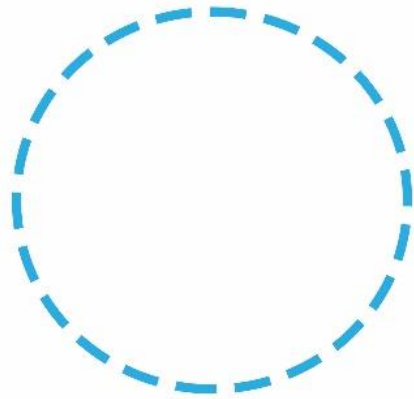
Cholam goes

Over the letter

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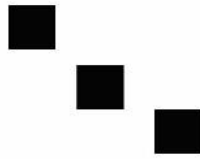
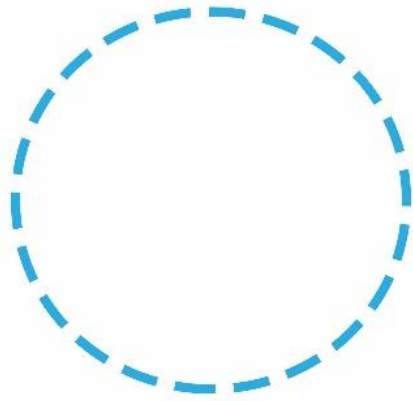
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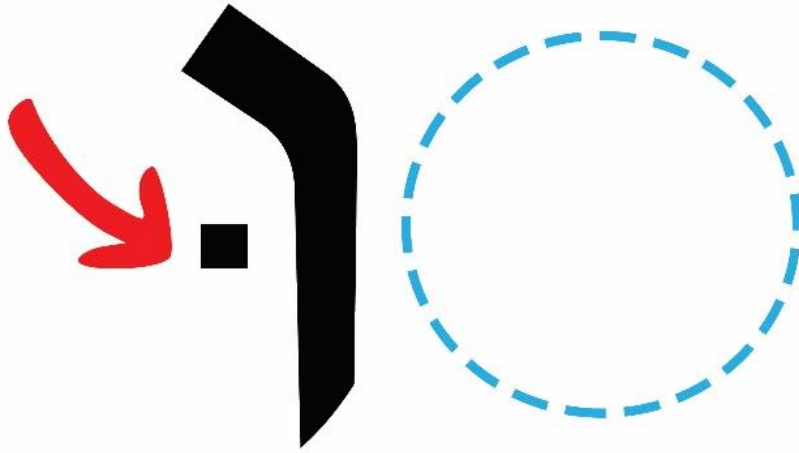
Kubutz is falling down
the stairs:

“oof, oof, oof!”

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Shuruk is getting
punched in the
belly: “oof!”

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