

Teacher's Lesson Flow: Send Shelach שלח

Numbers 13:1-15:41 ~ Joshua 2:1-24 ~ John 7-8

Life Verse Practice: John 8:31-32

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"You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings."
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5.

Reinforcing the WORD to Build "Banah" lives

- Prayer and Praise Words to Thank YHVH God.
- Review Life Verse: John 8:31-32
- Review Hebrew letters and vocabulary.
- Is not believing what God says the same as rejecting Him?
- How important is believing God's Word to you?
- How does believing in Yeshua as Messiah set you free?

4.

New Testament "B'rit Chadashah"

- Some don't believe Yeshua is Messiah
– John 7:1-7
- Yeshua tells the truth
– John 8:31-36

Pattern of
Believing
God's Word
is important

1.

PRAISE "Hallel"

- Practice Prayer and Praise Words to the Lord Including the Fruit of the Spirit Definition and Hebrew Praise Word.
- Life Verse Practice
- Hebrew Writing Practice
- Read Story

3.

Prophets/Writings "Haftarah"

- Joshua Sends Out Spies Again
– Joshua 1:1-2, 2:1-3
- The Spies and Rahab
– Joshua 2:4-5, 2:12-14, 2:17-20
- The Spies Report
– Joshua 2:24

Children's work pages begin here!

2.

God's Teachings / "Torah"

- Sending Out the 12 Spies
– Numbers 12:16, 13:1-2, 13:17-20
- 10 Spies Bad Report
– Numbers 12:23-33, 14:1, 14:5
- 2 Spies Good Report
– Numbers 14:6-9
- God's Response
– Numbers 14:10-11, 14:28-29

Teacher's Special Instructions

We start with a lesson on the Hebrew language. We will both write and speak Hebrew.

We do this for two reasons:

- 1) All students are at the same level in learning a new language, and they enjoy it.
- 2) It gives the students a chance to learn biblical truths embedded in the original language of the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament). Start by pointing out they are used to reading from left to right, but Hebrew reads from right to left. They also will need to write Hebrew from right to left.

Materials and Vocabulary:

- a. White board, black board or large easel and paper
- b. Markers
- c. Handouts or writing paper for the students
- d. Pens or pencils for the students
- e. The words used on their Hebrew writing pages are all words that are related to each individual lesson. Generally, a Hebrew word is chosen from the lesson and emphasized each week, both to teach character and increase understanding of the concepts being taught. New words will be in the box on the upper right of this page. Various names of God will also be taught in Hebrew.

New Hebrew words transliterated

Shelach (Send)
Torah (Law/Instruction)
Chuphsah (Free)

Preparation:

- a. Choose 2 or 3 Hebrew words from the Hebrew writing page(s). On the board, write the words in English and in the transliterated form given in the left column of the Hebrew writing page(s).
- b. Leave space to write the word in Hebrew.
- c. Explain that the letters they see on the page are written in book print like they might appear on an Israeli street sign.

Procedure:

- a. Demonstrate the writing procedure of two or three Hebrew words on the board. Have the students follow your directions on their work pages. Be sure to point out the special features of each letter. Be sure to write from right to left.
- b. Then have the students try a few words on their own, or complete the rest of the page. The ability to finish the whole exercise will depend on how much time you have. (2 to 5 minutes time is needed to finish the page.)

Games/Activities: Normally games are played after children's work pages are complete. This lesson would do well with breaking it up into groups and having the children act out the stories.

General games and instructions are on page 165-176.



Prayer and Praise Words

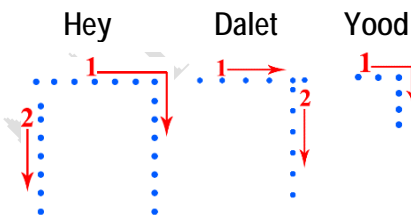
(Thank you ...Bless you...)

GENTLENESS: Thank you, Yeshua that I can show tenderness to those around me because You taught me how with Your life!

1. Let's thank God for one thing He has blessed you with this week.

Write your thank you here: _____

PRAISE is a way to THANK GOD for HIS Goodness to us and others.



Praise word: Yadah

EXPRESS Gratitude, Thankfulness and Surrender

Yadah means: the extended hand, to throw out the hand, therefore to worship with extended hand.

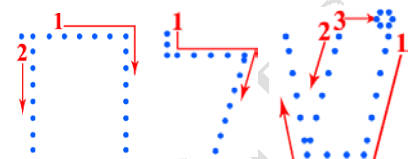
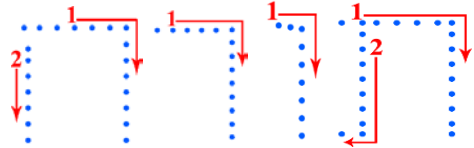
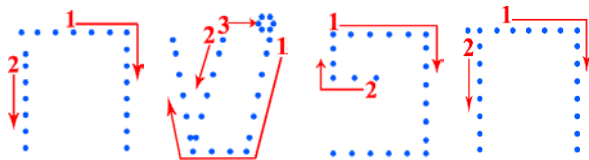
Psalm 107:1 (NKJV)

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!*
For His mercy *endures* forever.

Life Verse Practice: John 8:31-32

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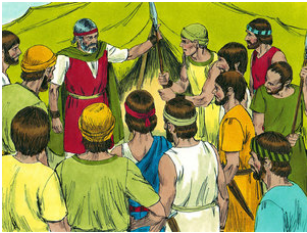
Pattern of Believing God's Word is Important

Hebrew /English	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: space-between;"> ← Write and read Hebrew from right to left ← Start here </div>
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Practice Writing	

Shelach – Send שלח

Numbers 13:1-15:41 ~ Joshua 2:1-24 ~ John 9 -10

Do you like spy adventures? What will the spies see? Will they make it back home?
Today we are going to see what happens with some real Israeli spies!



During the time the children of Israel are camped in the Wilderness of Paran, the Lord told Moses to send a leader from each tribe to spy out the land God was giving them. Moses told the spies to go into the South and up to the mountains and see what the land and people were like and how strong their cities were. He said, Be of good courage and bring some fruit back! (Numbers 12:16; Numbers 13:1,2,17)

So the spies began their mission, going up to Hebron where the people of Anak lived, they cut grapes in Eschol. The grapes were so huge it took 2 men to carry them on a pole! They spied for 40 days, and returned safely to the wilderness to report what they had learned. (Numbers 13:23-26)

Two different reports were given by the spies! Ten spies gave a report that caused the people to cry and weep and complain against Moses for bringing them to the wilderness.

In this bad report these spies said that the land devours the people who live there and the people are giants. We are not able to fight against them, for they are stronger than we are! Oh no – how discouraging! Were these spies believing God's Word?

When hearing this, the people were so frightened that they wanted to return to Egypt. They thought they would all be killed by the sword when fighting to take this land.

(Numbers 13:31-14:1)



Moses and Aaron were so upset by this report and the people wanting to return to Egypt that they fell on their faces! (Numbers 14:5)

BUT 2 spies, Joshua and Caleb, trusted the Lord and they said, If the LORD delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land which flows with milk and honey. Only do not rebel against the LORD, nor fear the people of the land, for they are our bread; their

protection has departed from them, and the LORD is with us. Do not fear them.

(Numbers 14:8-9)



Did this good report calm the people? NO – now the people wanted to stone Joshua and Caleb! And suddenly, the *glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle* before all the children of Israel. (Nu.14:10)
What do you think the LORD will say?

He said, How long will these people reject Me? Was God saying that not believing Him is the same as rejecting Him? He continued saying, How long will they not believe Me with all the signs which I have performed among them? God had heard the complaints against Him made by the children of Israel, and He said, Those who complained against Me will die in the wilderness. (Nu 14:28,29) BUT JOSHUA AND CALEB WHO BROUGHT THE GOOD REPORTS WILL NOT DIE! Wow! Belief in God's words brings life!(Nu 14:30)

Joshua became the new leader of Israel after Moses' death. And, Joshua sent 2 men to spy out the land – especially Jericho, and they came to Rahab, the harlots house, and stayed there. (Joshua 1:1-2; 2:1)

The king heard the spies were there and told Rahab to bring them out, but Rahab hid the spies on her roof; telling the authorities that they had gone out, and she did not know where they had gone. And the king's men chased after them not knowing they were on the roof. (Joshua 2:2-3)



Later Rahab went up to the roof and told the spies that she knew that the LORD their God, He is God in heaven above and on earth! Then she asked them to save the lives of her family and her because she had helped them. The spies agreed saying, We will deal kindly and truly with you. (Joshua 2:8,11,13,14) So they had a plan for Rahab to put a scarlet thread in her window and bring her family into her house. Then whoever was with her would be safe and not killed when Israel came into the land. (Joshua 2:18-20)



The 2 spies returned, and this is what they told Joshua: Truly, the LORD has delivered all the land into our hands, for indeed all the inhabitants of the country are faint-hearted because of us. (Joshua 2:24)



Are you seeing how important it is to believe God's words? They bring life and they are always right. But when we go to the Brit Chadashah, John tells us that there were people who did not believe Yeshua was the Messiah. The Jews in Judea wanted to kill Him and even His own family did not believe in Him! (Jn. 7:1-7) Others debated about who Yeshua is. But some people chose to believe God's words about Yeshua, and this is the amazing secret He told

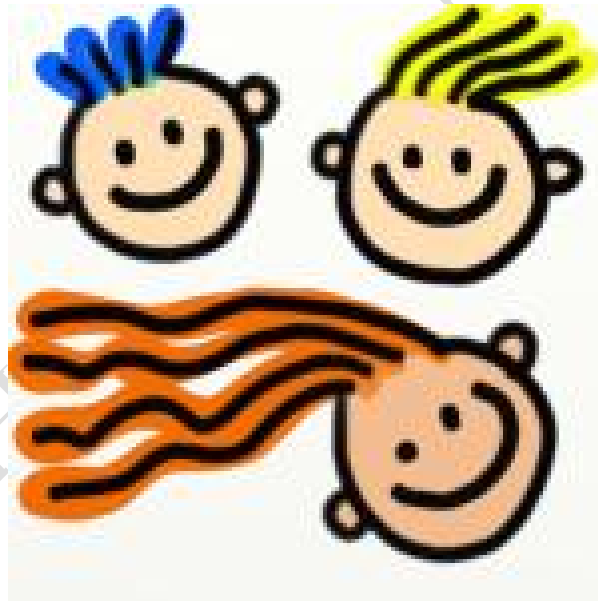
them. (John 7:25-28) Listen:

If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free. (John 8:31,32)

There is only one truth – God's Word! Live by God's truth – Believe it, and you will never be a slave to fear or to any person or to any wrong belief. Now that is exciting!

(John 8:34-36)

Can you explain to someone why believing God's Word is so important?



What will the spies see?
Will they make it
back home?



What happened with some real Israeli spies?



TORAH (God's Instruction/Laws) Numbers 12:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ And afterward the people moved from Hazeroth and camped in the Wilderness of Paran.

Numbers 13:1-2 (NKJV)

¹ And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

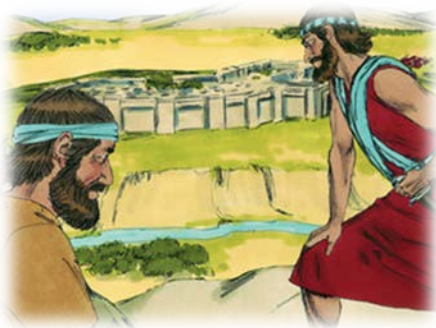
² "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the children of Israel; from each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a leader among them."

Numbers 13:17-20(NKJV)

¹⁷ Then Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said to them, "Go up this way into the South, and go up to the mountains,

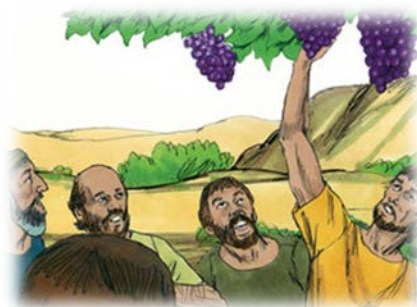
¹⁸ and see what the land is like: whether the people who dwell in it *are* strong or weak, few or many; ¹⁹ whether the land they dwell in *is* good or bad; whether the cities they inhabit *are* like camps or strongholds; ²⁰ whether the land *is* rich or poor; and whether there are forests there or not. Be of good courage. And bring some of the fruit of the land." Now the time *was* the season of the first ripe grapes.

1. Who told Moses to send out men to spy out the land of Canaan? _____
2. How many leaders of tribes was Moses to send out? _____
3. What were they to see? People who live in it are _____ or _____ and cities they live are like _____ or _____.
Land is _____ or _____ and whether the land is _____ or _____;
are _____ there or not?
4. What were the leaders of Israel to be like? Be of _____.
5. What were the leaders of Israel to bring back from the land? _____



The spies began
their missions!

They spied
for 40 days!



Numbers 13:23-26

²³ Then they came to the Valley of Eshcol, and there cut down a branch with one cluster of grapes; they carried it between two of them on a pole. *They* also *brought* some of the pomegranates and figs. ²⁴ The place was called the Valley of Eshcol, because of the cluster which the men of Israel cut down there.

²⁵ And they returned from spying out the land after forty days.

²⁶ Now they departed and came back to Moses and Aaron and all the congregation of the children of Israel in the Wilderness of Paran, at Kadesh; they brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land.

Two different reports were given by the spies!

10 spies gave a bad report!

Numbers 13:31-33 (NKJV)



³¹ But the men who had gone up with him said,

"We are not able to go up against the people,
for they *are* stronger than we."

³² And they gave the children of Israel a bad report
of the land which they had spied out, saying,

"The land through which we have gone as spies *is* a land that devours its inhabitants,
and all the people whom we saw in it *are* men of *great* stature.

³³ There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants);
and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight."

1. What (3) bad reports did the 10 spies give? (circle answer in scripture)

The children of Israel's Response to the Bad Report given by the 10 spies

Numbers 14:1-4 (NKJV)

¹ So all the congregation lifted up their voices and cried, and the people wept that night.

² And all the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron, and the whole congregation said to them,

"If only we had died in the land of Egypt! Or if only we had died in this wilderness! ...

⁴ So they said to one another, "Let us select a leader and return to Egypt."

Circle your answer in Scripture.

1. What (2) things did the congregation of Israel do?
2. What decision did they make with each other?
3. Moses and Aaron fell on their faces and did what?



Moses Response to the children of Israel.

Numbers 14:5 (NKJV)

⁵ Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel. _____

BUT 2 spies, Joshua and Caleb, trusted the Lord

4. Circle the Good Report in Scripture.

Numbers 14:6-9 New King James Version (NKJV)

⁶ But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *who were* among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes; ⁷ and they (Joshua and Caleb) spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying:

"The land we passed through to spy out *is* an exceedingly good land.

⁸ If the LORD delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, 'a land which flows with milk and honey.'

⁹ Only do not rebel against the LORD, nor fear the people of the land, for they *are* our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the LORD *is* with us. Do not fear them."



1. Did the good report from Joshua and Caleb calm the people? YES or NO
2. What was all the congregation of Israel going to do to Joshua and Caleb?



Numbers 14:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ And all the congregation said to stone them with stones. Now the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of meeting before all the children of Israel.

God's Questions and Answers

Numbers 14:11 New King James Version (NKJV)

¹¹ Then the LORD said to Moses: "How long will these people reject Me? And how long will they not believe Me, with all the signs which I have performed among them?"

3. Was God saying that not believing Him is the same as rejecting Him? YES or NO

CONSEQUENCES

1. What did the LORD declare to Caleb in Numbers 14:24?
(Read Numbers 14:24 and circle answer)
2. What did the LORD declare would happen to those who grumbled against the LORD?
(Read Numbers 14:28-29 and circle verse 29)



Numbers 14:24

²⁴ But because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it.

Numbers 14:28-29

²⁸ So tell them, 'As surely as I live, declares the LORD, I will do to you the very thing I heard you say:

²⁹ In this wilderness your bodies will fall—every one of you twenty years old or more who was counted in the census and who has grumbled against me.

A Change in Leadership

HAFTARAH (Prophets/Writings) Joshua 1:1-2 (NKJV)

¹ After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, it came to pass that the LORD spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying:

² "Moses My servant is dead. Now therefore, arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them—the children of Israel.



2 More Spies Sent Out



Joshua 2:1-3 (NKJV)

¹ Now Joshua the son of Nun sent out two men from Acacia Grove to spy secretly, saying, "Go, view the land, especially Jericho." So they went, and came to the house of a harlot named Rahab, and lodged there.

² And it was told the king of Jericho, saying, "Behold, men have come here tonight from the children of Israel to search out the country."

³ So the king of Jericho sent to Rahab, saying, "Bring out the men who have come to you, who have entered your house, for they have come to search out all the country."

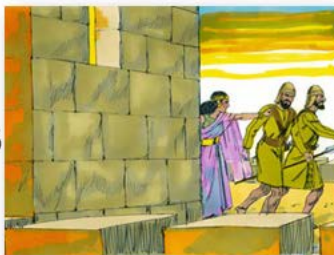
Circle your answers in scripture and write the answer on the line provided.

1. After death of Moses who became Israel's new leader? _____
2. How many spies did Joshua send out? _____
3. Whose house did they stay at in Jericho? _____



Joshua 2:4-5

**Rahab hid the spies
on her roof.**



**And the king's men
chased after them.**



Joshua 2:10-14 – Tell the Story that Rahab had heard!

¹⁰ For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea for you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to the two kings of the Amorites who *were* on the other side of the Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom you utterly destroyed.

¹¹ And as soon as we heard *these things*, our hearts melted; neither did there remain any more courage in anyone because of you, for the LORD your God, He *is* God in heaven above and on earth beneath.

¹² Now therefore, I beg you, swear to me by the LORD, since I have shown you kindness, that you also will show kindness to my father's house, and give me a true token,

¹³ and spare my father, my mother, my brothers, my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death."

¹⁴ So the men answered her, "Our lives for yours, if none of you tell this business of ours. And it shall be, when the LORD has given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with you."

1. Who did Rahab believe the LORD your God was? Circle verse 11 and write your answer:
HE is God in _____ above and on _____ beneath.
2. Because Rahab showed kindness to the 2 spies the spies promised to deal kindly with whom?
(Read aloud and circle verses 12,13 and 14)



HAFTARAH (Prophets/Writings) Joshua 2:17-20

¹⁷ Before they left, the men told her, "We will be bound by the oath we have taken only if you follow these instructions. ¹⁸ When we come into the land, you must leave this scarlet rope hanging from the window through which you let us down. And all your family

members—your father, mother, brothers, and all your relatives—must be here inside the house.

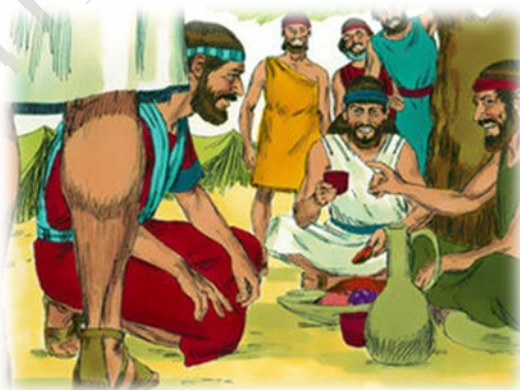
¹⁹ If they go out into the street and are killed, it will not be our fault. But if anyone lays a hand on people inside this house, we will accept the responsibility for their death.

²⁰ If you betray us, however, we are not bound by this oath in any way."

Joshua 2:23-24

²³ Then the two spies came down from the hill country, crossed the Jordan River, and reported to Joshua all that had happened to them.

²⁴ "The LORD has given us the whole land," they said, "for all the people in the land are terrified of us."



Are you seeing how important it is to believe God's words?



They bring life and they are always right.

Some people did not believe that Yeshua was Messiah.



Others debated about who Yeshua was.

BRIT CHADASHAH (New Testament) John 7:1-7

⁷ After these things Jesus walked in Galilee. He would not walk in Judea, because the Jews were seeking to kill Him.

² Now the Jews' Feast of Tabernacles was at hand.

³ His brothers therefore said to Him, "Depart from here and go into Judea, that Your disciples also may see the works that You do. ⁴ For no one does anything in secret, while he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, reveal Yourself to the world."

⁵ For even His brothers did not believe in Him.

⁶ Therefore Jesus told them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always fitting. ⁷ The world cannot hate you. But it hates Me, because I testify concerning it, that its works are evil.

Life Verse Practice: John 8:31-32 (Read and Sing)

³¹ Jesus (Yeshua) said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings.

³² And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."



There is only one truth – God's Word!

BRIT CHADASHAH (New Testament) John 8:34-36(NKJV)

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. ³⁵ And a slave does not abide in the house forever, *but* a son abides forever.

³⁶ Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

1. Can you explain to someone why God's Word is so important?

Barook (Blessing) May Adonai Yeshua bless you with trust in Him.

(Teacher note: You can bless the students at the end of the class with this blessing as a whole group or individually.)

Games and Activities Teacher Instructions

For each of the lessons one of the games has been suggested to re-enforce the theme of the lesson. We have used the following games in a variety of ways. You can use the game suggested or choose another which fits your students and your time frame.

A list of general games that can be used for any/all lessons is included on pages 167-176.

SKITS

It is always fun to have kids “act out” a part of the day’s teaching that has a lot of action in it. “Props” for skits can be purchased at garage sales, 2nd hand stores or friends who may be cleaning out their children’s closets. Items like stuffed animals, robes, crowns, walking sticks, etc. are fun to have on hand.

You can read the part of the story as the children act it out – OR - you can write a simple dialogue that the children can read and act out.