


מִצְוֹת
לֹא תַעֲשֶׂה
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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Ki Seitzei: (ויקרא י"ז)

לֹא תִלְבַּשׁ שֵׁטָנִים

We are not allowed to wear clothes made of wool and linen mixed together. This is called *shatnez*.

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: Mesechta Kilayim, Mesechta Shabbos, and the end of Mesechta Makos

Careful with Shatnez

There is a story of a famous *chossid*, R' Hillel Paritcher. He was very careful in his *mitzvos*. In fact, he was so careful that he wouldn't even sit on a couch because he was worried there might be *shatnez* in the couch!


Someone asked him why he's so careful with *mitzvos*. R' Hillel answered that it's so he can feel and appreciate Hashem and *chassidus*.

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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Kedoshim: (ויקרא כ"ב)

תַּעֲזֹב אֶתֶם

It is a *mitzvah* to leave over a corner of our fields or orchards for the poor people to take food from there. This is called *Pe'ah*, and is only a *mitzvah* in Eretz Yisroel.

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: Mesechta Pe'ah

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לֹא תַעֲשֶׂה
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📖 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Emor: (ויקרא כג:כב)

לֹא תִכְלֶה פְּאֵת שְׂדֵד
בְּקִצְרָד

It is *asur* to NOT leave over that corner for the poor.

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara:
Mesechta Pe'ah

Rambam: Hilchos Kela'im, Hilchos Matnos Aniyim

PEREK TES

We are not allowed to force different kinds of animals to get married to each other. We can only help sheep to get married to sheep and have baby sheep! We don't have them get married to goats and have baby... shoats?

We are not allowed to make two kinds of animals work together to pull a wagon or other piece of farm equipment. It is *asur* to even sit in a wagon pulled by two kinds of animals, because that makes them shlep it! But a PERSON is allowed to help an animal pull a wagon — people aren't animals!

PEREK YUD

In this *perek*, we learn the *halachos* of *Kilayim* in clothing — *shatnez*. *Shatnez* means mixing wool and linen together. Any way we mix them — by sewing them together, making a kind of material with wool and linen, or even just sewing one thread of wool into linen — are all *asur*! But it IS okay to wear a linen belt over wool clothes, because they are not connected.

Shatnez isn't just for clothes — if it can touch your skin and make you warm, it is also *asur*! So sheets, towels, and soft squishy beanbags also can't have *shatnez*.

PEREK ALEF

In this *perek*, the Rambam tells us about the five gifts that a person has to give to the poor from the things he grows. They are called *Pe'ah*, *Leket*, *Peret*, *Olelos*, and *Shichecha*. We will learn them over the next few days in *Sefer Hamitzvos* and Rambam.

The *Chachomim* say that a person should leave over 1/60th of his field or orchard as *Pe'ah*, but if a person was *bentched* with more than he expected, he should give more. The more you give, the more reward you get!