

מלא חידות -- רש"י רידלס על מגילת אסתר

These questions come from רש"י on מגילת אסתר. Each answer starts with the question's designated letter (i.e. the answer to the "א" riddle begins with an "א", the answer to the "ז" riddle begins with a "ז"). Answers and sources are printed on the back.

Questions

א	These grow in the צִיִּתָּן	ל	מַרְדֵּכַי knew 70 languages because he sat in this place
ב	מַרְדֵּכַי hoped that אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ would assume אֲסֵתָר was from this kind of family	מ	בִּמְנַן claimed that Jews do not pay this to the king
ג	אֲחֵשֶׁת־רִנַּיִם are this kind of animal	י	The Jews bowed to a לֵלֵם in the days of this king
ד	Like מַרְדֵּכַי, this לֵדִיק also received a hint of future salvation	ס	After the פִּוּרִים story, מַרְדֵּכַי decreased in stature on this body of rabbis
ה	To be like שֶׁנֶּשֶׁן, this needs to be there from the days of יְבוּשָׁע	ע	כָּלֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל are compared to the stars and this
ו	This repeated word shows that אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ first communicated to אֲסֵתָר through a messenger and then directly to her	פ	The 3-day fast came out partially during these days
ז	At the party, each person was given wine that was this relative to him	צ	אֲסֵתָר came to אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ for the first time at this time of the year so that she would be beloved to him
ח	The זַעַל of this told מַרְדֵּכַי that the עֲלִיזִים agreed to the decree against the Jews	ק	After אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ's hanging, אֲסֵתָר told אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ how מַרְדֵּכַי was this to her
ט	Language spoken by בְּגֵתָן וְתָרַשׁ	ר	כָּלֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל creates this for כָּלֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל before He brings the מַכָּה
י	After her death, אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ remembered this feature of וְשֵׁתִי	ש	וְשֵׁתִי's downfall occurred on this day
יא	King who preceded אֲחֵשֶׁרוּשׁ and stopped the building of the בַּיִת הַמִּקְדָּשׁ	ת	עִזְבָּה City next to עִזְבָּה

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Answers

א	חילנות (א:ה')	ל	לשכת הגזית (צ:כ"ב)
ב	בזויב (צ:י')	מ	מס (ג:ח')
ג	גמלים (ח:י')	נ	נבוכדנצר (ד:א')
ד	דוד (צ:י"א)	ס	סנהדרין (י:ג')
ה	היקף (ט:י"ט)	ע	עפר (ו:י"ג)
ו	ויאמר (ז:ה')	פ	פסח (ה:י"ז)
ז	זקן (א:ז')	צ	צנב (צ:ט"ז)
ח	חלוס (ד:א')	ק	קרוב (ח:א')
ט	טרסי (צ:כ"ב)	ר	רפואה (ג:א')
י	יפיה (צ:א')	ש	שבת (א:י')
כ	כורש (א:א', ה:ג')	ת	תפסח (א:א')

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