

# BJC Wensa

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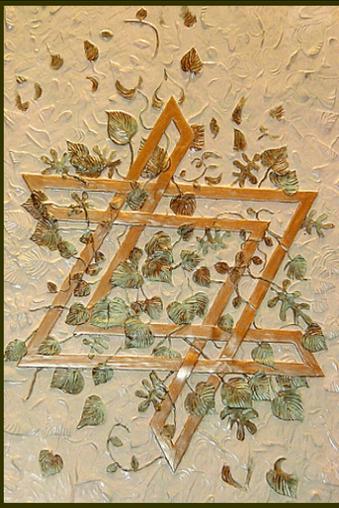
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## THE LAST JEWS OF IRAQ....

In a very personal programme, BBC Creative Director Alan Yentob, himself the child of Iraqi Jewish immigrants, looks into his heritage and uncovers the hidden history of the Jews of Iraq. Although the community is now almost vanished in Iraq itself, its traditions survive though around the world. With interviews, archive recordings and contemporary music, Alan brings its vibrancy to life. Alan Yentob investigates a 2600 year old community, now almost disappeared. Once they thrived as a third of Baghdad's population, now only seven Jewish people remain.

Use this link and you can listen to the 40 min broadcast from BBC (limited time). It's broadcasted BBC Radio 4:

Tue 29 Nov. 2011 20:00

Sun 4 Dec. 2011 17:00

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b017wzym>

## PARSHA OF THE WEEK....



Jacob leaves his hometown Be'er Sheva and journeys to Charan. On the way, he encounters "the place" and sleeps there, dreaming of a ladder connecting heaven and earth, with angels climbing and descending on it; G-d appears and promises that the land upon which he lies will be given to his descendents. In the morning, Jacob raises the stone on which he laid his head as an altar and monument, pledging that it will be made the house of G-d.

In Charan, Jacob stays with and works for his uncle Lavan, tending Lavan's sheep. Lavan agrees to give him his younger daughter Rachel - whom Jacob loves - in marriage, in return for seven years' labor. But on the wedding night, Lavan gives him his elder daughter, Leah, instead - a deception Jacob discovers only in the morning. Jacob marries Rachel, too, a week later, after agreeing to work another seven years for Lavan.

Leah gives birth to six sons - Reuben, Shimon, Levi, Judah, Issachar and Zebulun - and a daughter, Dinah, while Rachel remains barren. Rachel gives Jacob her handmaid, Bilhah, as a wife to bear children in her stead, and two more sons, Dan and Naphtali, are born. Leah does the same with her handmaid, Zilpah, who gives birth to Gad and Asher. Finally, Rachel's prayers are answered and she gives birth to Joseph.

Jacob has now been in Charan for fourteen years and wishes to return home, but Lavan persuades him to remain, now offering him sheep in return for his labor. Jacob prospers, despite Lavan's repeated attempts to swindle him. After six years, Jacob leaves Charan in stealth, fearing that Lavan would prevent him from leaving with the family and property for which he labored. Lavan pursues Jacob, but is warned by G-d in a dream not to harm him. Lavan and Jacob make a pact on Mount Gal-Ed, attested to by a pile of stones, and Jacob proceeds to the Holy Land, where he is met by angels.

*\*"The place" is Mount Moriah ("Temple Mount" in Jerusalem, where Abraham had bound Isaac upon the altar and where King Solomon would erect the Holy Temple). (Rashi)*

“ quote **A rich man is nothing but a poor man with money.** ” **W. C. Fields**

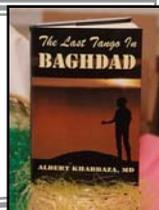
“ quote If you would like to contribute short jokes, stories, memories, recipes, etc. please email the publisher: [annahakakian@yahoo.com](mailto:annahakakian@yahoo.com). ”

### FAMILY SHABBAT DATES:

JAN. 7, 2012      MAR. 3, 2012

FEB. 4, 2012      MAY 5, 2012

JUNE 2, 2012



Limited copies of the New Book:

***The Last Tango in Baghdad***

by Dr. Albert Khabbaza is available for sale.

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## BJC events...

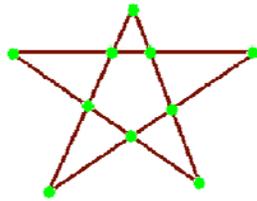
- Visit the [Dead Sea Scrolls](#)
- Roundtrip transportation \$30.
- Email BJC to reserve send your checks marked: "trip"
- Kids **ZOOM ZOOM CLASS:**
- Dec. 11 from 2-3pm at
- 770 Middle Neck Road
- If you have not signed up please email
- [annahakakian@yahoo.com](mailto:annahakakian@yahoo.com)
- with your child's name and age.

## Interesting...

### Planting Trees

You have 10 trees and you have to plant them in five rows but each row must contain 4 trees. How is this possible?

**ANSWER:** Plant them in the shape of a star:



### Word Game

There is a common English word that is nine letters long. Each time you remove a letter from it, it still remains an English word - from nine letters right down to a single letter. What is the original word, and what are the words that it becomes after removing one letter at a time?

**ANSWER:** The base word is Startling - starting - staring - string - sting - sing - sin - in - I

### Hello, Goodbye

12 members were present at a board meeting. Each member shook hands with all of the other members before & after the meeting. How many hand shakes were there?

**ANSWER:** 132. Think of it this way: the first person shakes hands with 11 people, the second person also shakes hands with 11 people, but you only count 10, because the hand shake with the first person was already counted. Then add 9 for the third person, 8 for the fourth, & so on. 66 hand shakes took place before & after the meeting, for a total of 132.

### As They Get Old...

- Old doctors never die, they just lose their patience.
- Old electricians never die, they just lose contact.
- Old farmers never die, they just go to seed.
- Old hackers never die, they just go to bits.
- Old investors never die, they just roll over.
- Old journalists never die, they just get de-pressed.
- Old lawyers never die, they just lose their appeal.
- Old limbo dancers never die, they just go under.

## Joketime...

### Boyfriend 5.0 to Husband 1.0

#### Dear Tech Support:

Last year I upgraded from Boyfriend 5.0 to Husband 1.0 and noticed a slowdown in the performance of the flower and jewelry applications that had operated flawlessly under the Boyfriend 5.0 system. In addition, Husband 1.0 uninstalled many other valuable programs, such as Romance 9.9, and installed undesirable programs such as NFL 7.4, NBA 3.2 and NHL 4.1. Conversation 8.0 also no longer runs, and Housecleaning 2.6 simply crashes the system. I've tried running Nagging 5.3 to fix these problems, but to no avail. What can I do?

Signed,  
Desperate

Dear Desperate:

This is a very common problem women complain about, but it is mostly due to a primary misconception. Many people upgrade from Boyfriend 5.0 to Husband 1.0 with no idea that Boyfriend 5.0 is merely an ENTERTAINMENT package. However, Husband 1.0 is an OPERATING SYSTEM and was designed by its creator to run as few applications as possible. It is impossible to uninstall, delete, or purge the program files from the system, once installed. Furthermore, you should be aware that Husband 1.0 has limited memory and error messages are common.

I recommend you keep Husband 1.0, and just learn the quirks of this strange and illogical system. Having Husband 1.0 installed myself, I might also suggest you read the entire section regarding General Partnership Faults [GPFs]. This is a wonderful feature of Husband 1.0, secretly installed by the parent company as an integral part of the operating system. Husband 1.0 must assume ALL responsibility for ALL faults and problems, regardless of root cause. To activate this great feature enter the command "C: I THOUGHT YOU LOVED ME". Sometimes Tears 6.2 must be run simultaneously while entering the command. Husband 1.0 should then run the applications Apologize 12.3 and Flowers/Chocolates 7.8.

TECH TIP!

Avoid excessive use of this feature. Overuse can also cause Husband 1.0 to default to GrumpySilence 2.5, or worse yet, to Beer 6.0. Beer 6.0 is a very bad program that causes Husband 1.0 to create FatBelly files and SnoringLoudly wave files that are very hard to delete.

A final word of caution! Do NOT, under any circumstances, install MotherInLaw 1.0. This is not a supported application, and will cause selective shutdown of the operating system. Husband 1.0 will run only Fishing 9.4 and Hunting 5.2 until MotherInLaw 1.0 is uninstalled. I hope these notes have helped. Thank you for choosing to install Husband 1.0 and we here at Tech Support wish you the best of luck in coming years. We trust you will learn to fully enjoy this product!