

Children's Service

for

יום כּפּוּר



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Please join us in reading and singing.

Words that the Rabbi reads look like this.

Words that you read look like this.

*And the words that we all sing with the Cantor
also look like this.*

Yom Kippur is such a special day. It is the holiest day of the year for the Jewish People. It is also the hardest day of the whole year because we have to do something very difficult: today we have to say We are Sorry.

On Yom Kippur we say we are sorry in many ways. We say we are sorry to God by reading the words in our prayerbook and thinking in our hearts that we are sorry. But God won't hear our prayers or our hearts until we say we are sorry in another way.

Let's put down our prayerbooks and listen: Say you are sorry to the people you love.

Now that we have said we are sorry to our family and friends, it is time to say we are sorry to God.

For all the hurtful things we did:

For all the hurtful things we did.

For all the hurtful things we said:

For all the hurtful things we said.

And for the promises we did not keep:

And for the promises we did not keep.



When we ask God to forgive us for the promises we did not keep we say a special prayer: the Kol Nidre. It has a special melody, a sad melody, because we are sad we could not keep our promises. As we listen to the Cantor sing the Kol Nidre, we stand up and open the Ark. And as we listen, we say to ourselves that this year we will try harder to keep our promises.

(Please rise)

The Cantor will now sing the Kol Nidre. Listen!



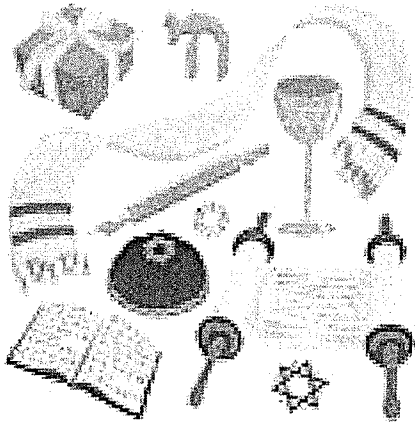
Oh, God, we will do our best to keep every promise, fulfill every good intention and every resolution that we make during the year that has just begun, from this Day of Atonement to the next. But if there are promises that we truly cannot keep, however hard we try, we pray that we may be forgiven. And we ask pardon, too, for those promises we could not keep in the year now ended. Now and always, we ask forgiveness, as we remember the words of your Torah: "God said, 'I have pardoned you as you have asked.'"

(Please be seated)

And now it is time to pray.
Prayer is talking to God.
Prayer is talking about God.
When we pray,
we think about our lives.
Prayer helps us.

Baruch Atah Adonai!

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי



It is important for us to pray to God.

When I pray I wonder...

I wonder what a Mitzvah is.

I wonder about rainbows.

I wonder about day and night.

I wonder if I can touch the stars.

I wonder what I will be like when I am older.

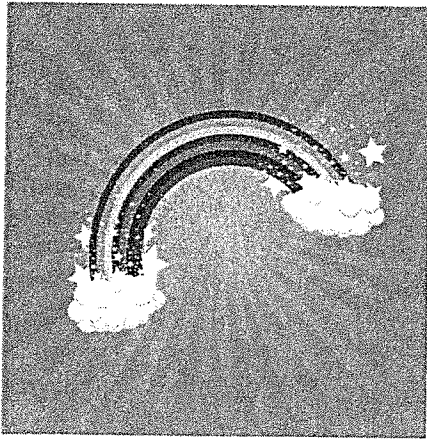
I wonder why people are different.

I wonder when all people will be safe.

I wonder about life.

Wondering is reaching for answers.





(Please rise)

בְּרַכּוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ:
בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

Barechu et Adonai, hamevorach.

Baruch Adonai hamevorach l'olam va'ed.

Bless Adonai, the blessed one.

Blessed is Adonai, the blessed one, forever and ever.

Prayer is reaching for God.

One person can make a difference.

One me, one you, caring for each other.

We pray for a world of peace.

One Mitzvah helps me do more Mitzvot.

One Shabbat each week.

One Torah to study.

One God.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְיָ אֶחָד:
בְּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Shema Yisrael, Adonai eloheynu, Adonai echad.

Baruch shem kavod malchuto l'olam vaed.

Hear O Israel: Adonai is our God, Adonai is one.

Blessed is God's glorious sovereignty throughout all time.

(Please be seated)

You shall love Adonai your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your might. And these words, which I command you this day, you shall take to heart. Teach them diligently to your children, and recite them at home and away, night and day. Bind them as a sign upon your hand, and as a reminder above your eyes. Inscribe them upon the doorposts of your homes and upon your gates. (Deuteronomy 6:4-9)

Then you will remember and observe all My mitzvot and be holy before your God. I am Adonai your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God. I, Adonai, am your God. (Numbers 15:37-41)

Today as we think about what we would like to be, we begin with the things we have done wrong. We think of the mistakes we made in the past year. And on this holy day of truth, we say: We are sorry, we are truly sorry and hope to do better. We say:

עַל חַטָּא שְׁחָטָאנוּ

Al Cheit: Al Cheit shechatanu: for the wrong we have done, we are truly sorry.

For the wrong we have done, by not always speaking the truth.

Al Cheit shechatanu: for having been stubborn or lazy, we are sorry.

For the wrong we have done by hurting other people's feelings, we are sorry.

Al Cheit shechatanu: for having been unfair or spiteful, we are sorry.

For the wrong we have done by speaking when we should have listened, we are sorry.

Al Cheit shechatanu: for remaining silent when we should have spoken up, we are sorry.

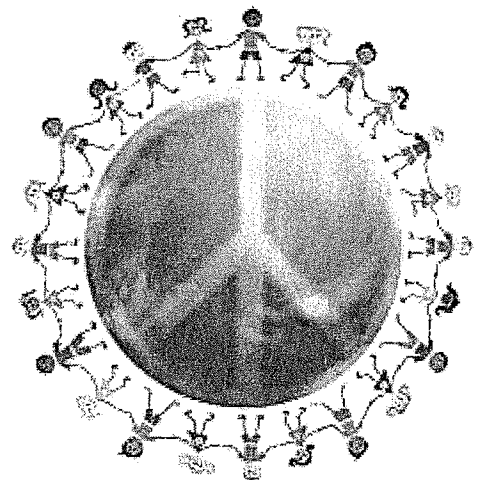
For the wrong we have done by being jealous of other people's luck, we are sorry.

Al Cheit shechatanu: for being bad-tempered, when we could have been cheerful, we are sorry.

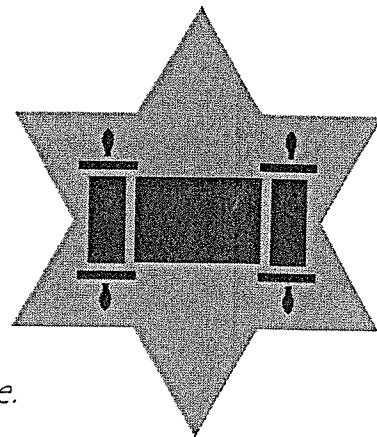
For the wrong we have done when we did not honor our parents, we are sorry.

Al Cheit shechatanu: for the times when we did not honor our teachers, we are sorry.

For all these things, O God of forgiveness, pardon us and forgive us.



Torah Service



We learn from the Torah, the story of our people.
Our light is Torah. Mitzvot are our lamp.

Pleasing are the ways of Torah, and all her paths are peace.

Dark and twisting is the road to peace; happy the generation whose light will guide them to its end.

The students of Torah add peace to the world, as it is said:

When all your children are taught of the Lord, great shall be the peace of your children.

(Please rise)

עַל שְׁלֹשָׁה דְּבָרִים הָעוֹלָם עוֹמֵד--עַל הַתּוֹרָה וְעַל הָעֲבוּדָה וְעַל גְּמִילוּת חַסָּדִים.
Al shelosha devarim ha'olam o'meid: al ha'Torah, v'al ha'Avodah, v'al gemilut chasadim.
The world is sustained by three things: by Torah, by worship, and by loving deeds.

(The Ark is opened. The Torah is taken from the Ark.)

In this scroll is the secret of our people's life from Sinai until now. Its teaching is love and justice, goodness and hope. Freedom is its gift to all who treasure it.

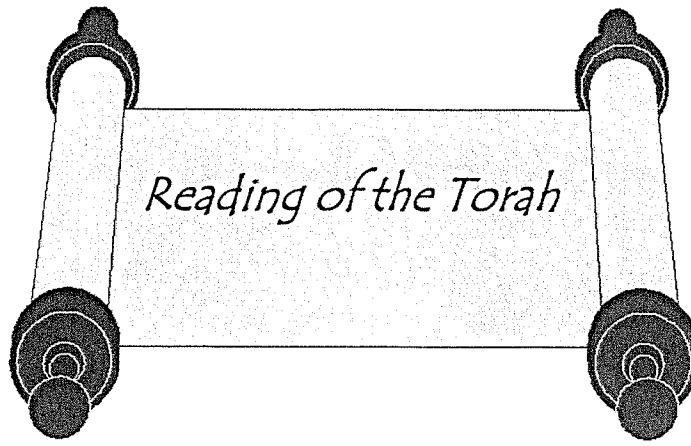
שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְיָ אֶחָד.
אֶחָד אֱלֹהֵינוּ, גָּדוֹל אֲדוֹנֵנוּ, קְדוֹשׁ שְׁמוֹ.

Shema Yisrael, Adonai elohenu, Adonai echad.
Echad elohenu, gadol adonainu, kadosh shemo.
Hear O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord is One!
Our God is One; our Lord is great; holy is God's name.

לְךָ יְיָ הַגְּדֹלָה וְהַגְּבוּרָה וְהַתְּפָאֶרֶת וְהַנִּצְחַח וְהַהוֹד, כִּי כֹל בַּשָּׁמַיִם וּבָאָרֶץ, לְךָ יְיָ.
הַמְּמֹלְכָה, וְהַמְתַּנְשֵׂא לְכֹל לְרֹאשׁ.

Lechah Adonai hagedula, v'hagevura, v'hatiferet, v'haneistach, v'hahod, ki chol bashamayim u'va'aretz, lecha, Adonai, hamamlacha, v'hamitnasei lechol lerosh.
Yours Adonai is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and earth is Yours. Yours is the kingdom. Adonai; You are supreme over all.

(Please be seated)



(Please rise)

וְזֹאת הַתּוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר שָׂם מֹשֶׁה לִפְנֵי בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל, עַל פִּי יְיָ בְּיַד מֹשֶׁה.

V'zot haTorah asher sam Moshe lifnai b'nei yisrael, al pi Adonai, b'yad Moshe.

This is the Torah which Moses set before the children of Israel, according to the word of Adonai and the hand of Moses.

(The Torah is returned to the Ark.)

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Al shelosha devarim ha'olam o'meid: al ha'Torah, val ha'Avodah, val gemilut chasadim.

The world is sustained by three things: by Torah, by worship, and by loving deeds.

Behold, a good teaching has been given to you: keep it and live by it. It is a tree of life to those who hold fast to it, and all who cling to it find happiness. Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace.

Aleinu

וְאַנְחֵנוּ כּוֹרְעִים וּמְשִׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים,

לִפְנֵי מַלְכְךָ, מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים, הַקָּדוֹשׁ בְּרוּךְ הוּא.

Va'anachnu korim u'mish'tachavim u'modim, lifnei melech malche hamlacheh, haqadosh baruch hu.

(Please be seated)

Our God and God of all generations, we give thanks for many things as we begin the new year. For the good in us that calls us to a better life, we give thanks.

For the strength to improve the world with our hearts and our hands, we give praise.

For the peace in us that leads us to work for peace, we are grateful. As You have been our help in the past, we pray that you will be our help in the new year.

For all the goodness of life, and for the power to make life sweet and beautiful, we thank and praise you.

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעֵלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כְרַעוּתְהָ, וְיִמְלִיךְ
מַלְכוּתְהָ בְּחַיִּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בְּעֵגְלָא וּבְזִמְן
קָרִיב וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:
יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעָלְמָא וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:
יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח, וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה
וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקֻדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא לְעַלְמָא מִן כָּל בְּרַכְתָּא וְשִׁירְתָּא,
תְּשַׁבְּחַתָּא וְנִחַמְתָּא, דְּאָמְרוּ בְּעֵלְמָא, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:
יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל,
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:
עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל,
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:

*Yitgadal v'yitkadash sh'meh raba. B'alma di v'ra chiruteh, v'yamlich malchuteh b'chayechon
uv'yomeichon uv'chayeh d'chol bait Yisra-el. Ba-a-gala u'vizman kariv. V'imeru: Amen.
Y'hai shmai rabba m'vorach l'olam ul'almai almaya. Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpa-ar
v'yitromam v'yitnase v'yithadar v'yitaleh v'yithalal sh'meh d'kudsha: B'rich hu; l'ela min kol
birchata v'shirata tushb'chata, v'ne-chemata, da-amiran b'alma. V'imeru: Amen. Y'hei
shloma rabba min sh'mayah v'chaim aleinu v'al kol Yisra-el. V'imeru: Amen. Oseh shalom
bimromav, Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu v'al kol Yisra-el. Vimeru: Amen.*

Now, once more, we pray that the New Year will bring good for us all: A year of doing right.

Now once, more, we pray that the New Year will bring good for us all: A year of doing right.

A year of keeping promises,

A year of keeping promises.

A year of blessing and peace,

A year of blessing and peace.

Closing Song

L'shana tova tikatevu!



May you be inscribed for goodness in the New Year!

The final call of the Shofar: TEKIYAH GEDOLAH!

