

בְּרָכוֹת שְׁלוֹם

Checklist:

- Reading: read *Birkot Shalom* without error
- Comprehension: Answer the questions in full, well thought out sentences
- Vocabulary: Do the root words exercises.

When you have completed the checklist, ask your teacher to test you to see if you are ready to move on to the next prayer.

Sim Shalom (morning only)

שִׁים שְׁלוֹם טוֹבָה וּבְרָכָה חֵן וְחֶסֶד וְרַחֲמִים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל
יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ... בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל
בְּשָׁלוֹם.

Grant peace, goodness and blessing, grace, kindness and mercy, to us and to all Your people Israel. Blessed are You, Adonai, who blesses Your people Israel with peace.

Shalom Rav (evening only)

שְׁלוֹם רַב עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ תָּשִׁים לְעוֹלָם כִּי אַתָּה הוּא מְלֶךְ
אֲדוֹן לְכֹל הַשָּׁלוֹם... בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל
בְּשָׁלוֹם.

Grant abundant peace to Israel Your people forever, for You are the Sovereign God of all peace. Blessed are You, Adonai, who blesses your people Israel with peace.

Oseh Shalom

עֹשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמַרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל
וְעַל כָּל יוֹשְׁבֵי תֵבֵל וְאֲמָרוּ אָמֵן

May the one who makes peace in the high heavens make peace for us, all Israel, and all who inhabit the Earth. Amen

Comprehension

Sim Shalom (morning) and Shalom Rav (evening) are the last blessings of the Amidah for those times of day. Why do you think there is a different blessing for peace for morning and evening?

Oseh Shalom is usually sung after Sim Shalom/Shalom Rav. Why do you think we have two songs for peace in a row? Is there something different about Oseh Shalom that is not in the other blessings?

When is a time you have made peace among your friends and/or family? What are specific actions you can take to help make peace?

Think of someone you know, or someone from the news, that pursues peace. What does that person do that you admire? What can you do to be more like that person?

Vocabulary

שְׁלוֹם comes from the root ש.ל.מ. meaning 'wholeness' or 'completeness.' What do peace and completeness have to do with each other?

Words with the letters עַל in that order mean 'on.' Find all the instances of those words in the prayers above and underline them. How many did you find?

In שִׁים שְׁלוֹם we ask God for six gifts, including peace. Try to match the words below with their meaning (use the translation above to help).

שְׁלוֹם

Mercy

טוֹבָה

Kindness

בְּרָכָה

Peace

חַן

Grace

חֶסֶד

Goodness

רַחֲמִים

Blessing