[א' א] אוֹר לְאַרְבָּעָה עָשָׂר, בּוֹדְקִין אֶת הֶחָמֵץ לְאוֹר הַנֵּר. כָּל מָקוֹם שָׁאֵין מַכְנִיסִין בּוֹ חָמֵץ אֵין צָרִירְ בְּדִיקָה	On the evening [or] of the fourteenth of the month of Nisan, one searches for leavened bread in his home by candlelight. Any place into which one does not typically take leavened bread does not require a search,
[ב] אֵין חוֹשְׁשִׁין שֶׁמֶּא גָרְרָה חֻלְדָּה מִבּּיִת לְבַיִת וּמִמֶּקוֹם לְמֶקוֹם, דְּאִם כֵּן, מֵחָצֵר לְחָצֵר וּמֵעִיר לְעִיר, אֵין לַדָּבָר oip:	After conducting the search, one need not be concerned that perhaps a marten dragged leaven from house to house, or from place to place, placing leaven in a house that was already searched. As if so, one need also be concerned that perhaps leaven might have been dragged from courtyard to courtyard and from city to city. In that case, there is no end to the matter, and it would be impossible to rely on any search for leaven.
[ג] ב רַבִּי יְהוּדָה אוֹמֵר, בּוֹדְקִין אוֹר אַרְבָּעָה עָשֶׂר וּבְאַרְבָּעָה עָשָׂר שַׁחֲרִית וּבִּשְׁעַת הַבְּעוּר. וַחֲכָמִים אוֹמְרִים, לֹא בָדַק אוֹר אַרְבָּעָה עָשָׂר, יִבְדֹּק בָדַק בְּאַרְ בָּעָה עָשָׂר, יִבְדֹּק בְּתוֹךְ הַמּוֹעֵד, יִבְדֹק בְּתוֹךְ הַמּוֹעֵד, יִבְדֹק בְּתוֹךְ הַמּוֹעֵד. בְּבָלְעָא, כְּדֵי שֶׁלֹא יְהֵא צָרִיךְ בְּדִיקָה אַחֲרָיו:	Rabbi Yehuda says: One searches for leaven on the evening of the fourteenth of Nisan, and on the fourteenth in the morning, and at the time of the removal of leaven. And the Rabbis say: that is not the case; however, if one did not search on the evening of the fourteenth he should search on the fourteenth during the day. If he did not search on the fourteenth, he should search during the festival of Passover. If he did not search during the Festival, he should search after the Festival, as any leaven that remained in his possession during the Festival is classified as leaven owned by a Jew during Passover, which one is obligated to remove. And the principle is: With regard to the leaven that one leaves after the search, he should place it in a concealed location where it will most likely be left untouched, so that it will not require searching after it if it goes missing
ד] רַבִּי מֵאִיר אוֹמֵר, אוֹכְלִין כָּל חָמֵשׁ, וְשוֹרְפִין בִּתְחִלַּת שֵׁשׁ. וְרַבִּי יְהוּדָה אוֹמֵר, אוֹכְלִין כָּל אַרְבַּע, וְתוֹלִין כָּל חָמֵשׁ, וְשוֹרְפִין בִּתְחִלַּת שֵׁשׁ:	The tanna'im disagree regarding until what time leaven may be eaten and at what time it must be removed on Passover eve. Rabbi Meir says: One may eat leaven the entire fifth hour of the fourteenth of Nisan, and one must burn it immediately afterward at the beginning of the sixth hour. Rabbi Yehuda says: One may eat the entire fourth hour and one places it in

beginning of the sixth hour.

afterward at the beginning of the sixth hour. Rabbi Yehuda says: One may eat the entire fourth hour and one places it in abeyance for the entire fifth hour, and one burns it at the

ַב' א] כָּל שֶׁעָה שֶׁמֶּתָּר לֶאֱכֹל, מַאֲכִיל לַבְּהֵמָה לַחֲיָה וְלָעוֹפוֹת, וּמוֹכְרוֹ לַנְּכְרִי, וּמֻתָּר בַּהְנָאָתוֹ. עַבַר זְמֵנּוֹ, אָסוּר בַּהְנָאָתוֹ, וְלֹא יַסִּיק בּוֹ תַּנּוּר וְכִירָיִם. רַבִּי יְהוּדָה אוֹמֵר, אֵין בִּעוּר חָמֵץ אֶלָּא שְׂרֵפָה. וַחֲכָמִים אוֹמְרִים, אַף מְפָּרֵר וְזוֹרֶה לָרוּחַ אוֹ מֹטִיל לים:

For the entire time that it is permitted to eat leavened bread, one may also feed it to his domesticated animals, to non-domesticated animals, and to birds; and one may sell it to a gentile; and it is permitted to derive benefit from it. After its time passes, it is prohibited to derive benefit from it, and one may not even light an oven or a stove with leavened bread. With regard to the manner of removal of leavened bread, Rabbi Yehuda says: The removal of leavened bread is to be accomplished only through burning. And the Rabbis say: Burning is not required, as one may even crumble it and throw it into the wind or cast it into the sea.

[ה] אֵלוּ דְבָרִים שֶׁאָדָם יוֹצֵא בָהֶן יְדֵי חוֹבָתוֹ בְּפֶסַח, בְּחִטִּים, בִּשְׁעוֹרִים, בְּכֵסְמִין וּבְשִׁיפוֹן וּבְשָׁבּלֶת שׁוּעָל. וְיוֹצְאִין בִּדְמַאי וּבְמַעֲשֵׂר רָאשׁוֹן שִׁנְּטָלֵה תָרוּמַתוֹ,

These are the types of grain with which a person fulfills his obligation to eat *matza* on the first night of Passover: With wheat, with barley, with spelt [kusmin], with rye [shifon], and with oats [shibbolet shu'al]. And one fulfills his obligation by eating not only *matza* made from properly tithed grains, but even with *matza* made from doubtfully tithed produce, and *matza* made with first tithe from which its teruma was already taken

[۱] וְאֵלוּ יְרָקוֹת שָׁאָדָם יוֹצֵא בָהֶן יְדֵי חוֹבָתוֹ בְּפֶסָח, בַּחֶזֶרֶת וּבְעֻלָשִׁין וּבְתַמְכָּא יוֹצְאִין בָּהֶן בֵּין לַחִין בֵּין יוֹצְאִין בָּהֶן בֵּין לַחִין בֵּין וְלֹא שָׁלוּקִין וְלֹא לְכַדָּיִת. וְיוֹצְאִין בַּקֶלַח שְׁלָּהֶן, וּבִדְמַאי, וּבְמַעֲשֵׂר רָאשׁוֹן שִׁנְּסְלָה תְרוּמָתוֹ, וּבְמֵעֲשֵׂר שָׁנִי וְהֶקְדֵּשׁ שַׁנִּפְדּוּ:

And these are the vegetables with which a person can fulfill his obligation to eat bitter herbs on Passover: One can fulfill his obligation with hazeret, with chervil [tamkha], and with field eryngo [harhavina], and with endives [olashin], and with maror. One fulfills his obligation with them whether they are fresh or whether they are dry. However, one does not fulfill his obligation if they are **pickled** in water or vinegar, **nor** if they are **over-boiled [shaluk]** in hot water, **nor** if **they are** boiled [mevushal]. The mishna adds: And all these different types of vegetables join together to the measure of an olive-bulk, i.e., it is not necessary to eat this amount from one specific type of vegetable. And one fulfills his obligation by eating their stalk, as it is not necessary to eat the leaves. And one fulfills the obligation with doubtfully tithed produce, with first-tithe produce whose teruma has been taken and given to a priest, and with both second-tithe produce and consecrated property that were redeemed.

[ח] אֵין נוֹתְנִין קֶמַח לְתוֹךְ הַחֲרֹסֶת אוֹ לְתוֹךְ הַחַרְדָּל, וְאִם נָתַן, יֹאכַל מִיָּד, וְרַבִּי מֵאִיר אוֹסֵר. אֵין מְבַשְּׁלִין אֶת הַפֶּסַח לֹא בְמַשְׁקִין וְלֹא בְמֵי פֵרוֹת, אֲבָל סָכִין

One may not add flour to *haroset*, a seasoned, pungent food, or to mustard, to dull the sharp taste. In both cases, the pungency of these foods might accelerate the leavening of the flour. And if one added flour to either of these, the mixture may be eaten immediately before it is leavened; and Rabbi Meir

וּמַטְבִּילִין אוֹתוֹ בָהֶן. מֵי תַשְׁמִישׁוֹ שֶׁל נַחְתּוֹם, יִשָּׁפְכוּ, מִפְנֵי שֶׁהֵן מַחָמִיצִין:

prohibits this, lest the food be leavened immediately. The mishna continues: One may not boil the Paschal lamb in ordinary liquids or in fruit juices, as the Torah explicitly states that it must be roasted. However, one may baste it while it is roasting and dip it into liquid while eating it. The tanna further states: Water that has been used by a baker for cooling his hands or washing dishes should be poured out, because this water leavens the dough, as the water probably contains a small quantity of flour and dough.

ג' א] אֵלוּ עוֹבְרִין בְּפֶסַח, כֻּתָּח הַבַּבְלִי, וְשֵׁכָר הַמָּדִי, וְחֹמֶץ וְזִוֹמָן שֶׁל צַבָּעִים, וְזוֹמָן שֶׁל צַבָּעִים, וְמְלֵין שֶׁל טוֹבְרִים. רַבִּי אֲלִיעֶד אוֹמֵר, אַף תַּכְשִׁיטֵי נָשִׁים. זֶה הַכְּלָל, כָּל שָׁהוּא מִמִּין דְּגָן, הֲרֵי זֶה עוֹבֵר בְּפֶסַח. הֲרֵי אֵלוּ בְּאֵזְהָרָה, וְאֵין בָּהֶן מִשׁוּם כַּרת:

And for possessing these one transgresses [overin] the prohibitions of: It shall not be seen, and: It shall not be found, on Passover, although not all of them are considered food:

Babylonian kutaḥ, a dip with a sharp flavor that contains flour;

Median beer; Edomite vinegar; Egyptian zitom, a type of beer; dyers' broth [zoman]; bakers' well-worked dough; and kolan of soferim. Rabbi Eliezer says: The same prohibition also applies to women's adornments, i.e., cosmetics, that contain leaven. This is the principle: If one possesses any substance that is derived from a type of grain that became leavened, although it is not actually bread, one transgresses the prohibitions of: It shall not be seen, and: It shall not be found, on Passover. These substances are included in the warning, i.e., the biblical prohibition of possessing leaven, but there is no element of karet if one eats them.

ַדַבּן גַּמְלִיאֵל אוֹמֵר, שָׁלשׁ נָשִׁים לָשׁוֹת פָּאַחַת וְאוֹפּוֹת בְּתַנּוּר אֶחָד, זוֹ אַחַר זוֹ. חֲחָכָמִים אוֹמְרִים, שָׁלשׁ נָשִׁים עוֹסְקוֹת בַּבָּצֵק, אַחַת לָשָׁה וְאַחַת עוֹכֶכֶת וְאַחַת אוֹפֶה. רַבִּי עֲקִיבָא אוֹמֵר, לֹא רָבִי וְלָא כָל הַתַּנּוּרִים שָׁוִין. זֶה הַתְּנוּרִים שָׁוִין. זֶה הַכְּלֶל, תָּפַח, תִּלְטשׁ בּצוֹנו:

Rabban Gamliel says: Three women may knead their dough as one, meaning at one time, and bake the batches of dough in one oven, one after the other, and they need not be concerned that their dough will become leavened while they are waiting to use the oven. And the Rabbis say: Three women may be engaged in preparing dough as one, in the following manner: One kneads her dough as another one arranges her own dough so it takes the form of matza, while another one bakes her dough. Rabbi Akiva says: Not all women, not all wood, and not all ovens are the same, and therefore no set rules should be established. Rather, this is the principle: If the dough begins to rise, she should spread cold water in which she immersed her hands, onto the dough, in order to stop the leavening process.

ָ[ה] שָׂאוּר, יִשָּׂרֵף, וְהָאוֹכְלוֹ פָטוּר. סָדוּק, יִשְּׂרֵף, וְהַאוֹכְלוֹ חַיַּב

Dough at the beginning of the leavening process [siur], must be burned, but one who eats it is exempt from the punishment of

כֶּרֶת. אֵיזֶהוּ שָׂאוּר, כְּקַרְנֵי חֲגָבִים. סְדוּק, שָׁנָּתְעָרְבוּ סְדָקֵיו זֶה בָזֶה, דִּבְרֵי רַבִּי יְהוּדָה. וַחֲכָמִים אוֹמְרִים, זֶה וְזֶה, הָאוֹכְלוֹ חַיָּב כָּרֵת. שְׁגִיזֶהוּ שִׂאוּר, כָּל שֶׁנְמְדוּ שַׂעֲרוֹתִיו: שֶׁעָמְדוּ שַׂעֲרוֹתִיו: karet because the dough had not become fully leavened. Dough that has reached the stage of cracking must be burned, and one who eats it intentionally is liable to receive karet, as he has intentionally eaten leavened bread during Passover. What is considered siur? Dough that has been leavened to the point that it has cracks that look like the antennae of locusts. The stage of cracking occurs later in the leavening process, when the cracks intermingle. This is the statement of Rabbi Yehuda. And the Rabbis say: One who intentionally eats either this or that, dough with cracks like locust antennae or with cracks that have become intermingled, is liable to receive karet, as once dough begins to crack it has certainly become leavened. And what is siur? It is any dough whose surface has becomes pale like the face of a person whose hair stands on end due to fear.

ַ [ד' א] מָקוֹם שָׁנָּהְגוּ לַעֲשׂוֹת מְלָאכָה בְּעַרְבֵי פָסָחִים עַד חֲצוֹת, שָׁוֹשִׁין, מָקוֹם שֶׁנָהְגוּ שָׁוֹשִׁין, הַהוֹלֵךְ מִמָּקוֹם שָׁושִין לְמָקוֹם שֶׁאֵין עוֹשִׁין לְמָקוֹם שֶׁאֵין עוֹשִׁין לְמָקוֹם שֶׁאֵין עוֹשִׁין לְמָקוֹם שֶׁאֵין עוֹשִׁין אָלִיו חֻמְרֵי מָקוֹם הַמָּחָלֹבֵר מְפָּנֵי הַמַּחָלֹבָת:

In a place where the people were accustomed to perform labor on Passover eve until midday, one may do so on that day. In a place where the people were accustomed not to perform labor, one may not do so. The performance of labor on the eve of Passover is not prohibited by Torah law, but is dependent on local custom. If one travels from a place where people perform labor on Passover eve to a place where people do not perform labor, or from a place where people do not perform labor on Passover eve to a place where people perform labor, the Sages impose upon him the stringencies of both the place from which he left and the stringencies of the place to which he went. In both cases, he may not perform labor. The Sages stated a principle: And a person may not deviate from the local custom, due to potential dispute.

[ג] מָקוֹם שָׁנָהֲגוּ לִמְכֹּר בְּהֵמָה דַקָּה לַגוּיִם, מוֹכְרִין. מָקוֹם שָׁנָהֲגוּ שָׁלֹא לִמְכֹּר, אֵין מוֹכְרִין. וּבָכָל מָקוֹם אֵין מוֹכְרִין לָהֶם בְּהֵמָה גַסָּה, עְגָלִים וּסְיָחִים שְׁלֵמִין וּשְׁבוּרִין. רַבִּי יְהוּדָה מַתִּיר בִּשְׁבוּרָה. בֶּן בִּתֵירָה מַתִּיר בָּסוּס:

Apropos different local customs discussed in the first mishna in this chapter, this mishna discusses various *halakhot* with regard to which there are different customs. In a place where the people were accustomed to sell small livestock to gentiles, one may sell them. In a place where the people were not accustomed to sell them due to certain concerns and decrees, one may not sell them. However, in every place, one may sell to gentiles neither large livestock, e.g., cows and camels, nor calves or foals, whether these animals are whole or damaged. The Sages prohibited those sales due to the concern lest the transaction be voided or one side reconsider, creating retroactively a situation where a Jew's animal performed labor

for the gentile on Shabbat in violation of an explicit Torah prohibition. Rabbi Yehuda permits the sale of a damaged animal because it is incapable of performing labor. Ben Beteira permits the sale of a horse for riding, because riding a horse on Shabbat is not prohibited by Torah law. [ד] מַקוֹם שֵׁנַהַגוּ לֵאֱכֹל The mishna cites another custom related to Passover. In a ָצַלֿי בָלִילִי פָּסֵחִים, place where people were accustomed to eat roasted meat on אוֹכָלִין. מַקוֹם שַנַּהָגוּ **Passover evenings**, outside of Jerusalem or after the Temple שלא לַאֱכל, אַין אוֹכְלין. was destroyed, one may eat it. In a place where people were מַקוֹם שַׁנַּהָגוּ לְהַדְלִיק אָת הַנֵּר בְּלֵילֵי יוֹם accustomed not to eat outside Jerusalem, one may not eat it. הַכָּפּוּרִים, מַדְלִיקִין. The mishna discusses additional differences between local מַקוֹם שֵׁנַהֲגוּ שֵׁלֹּא customs. In a place where people were accustomed to kindle ַלַהַדַלִיק, אֵיו מַדַלִיקִיו. a lamp in the house on Yom Kippur evenings, one kindles it. ומַדְלִיקִין בָּבַתִּי כָנָסִיּוֹת In a place where people were accustomed not to kindle a וּבְבַתֵּי מִדְרַשׁוֹת, וּבמַבוֹאוֹת האַפלים, lamp, one does not kindle it. However, even in a place where וְעַל גַּבֵּי הַחוֹלִים: the custom is not to kindle lamps in houses, one kindles in synagogues and study halls, in deference to these places. Similarly, lamps should be kindled in dark alleyways, so people will not be hurt, and next to the sick. [ה].. וחַכמים אוֹמַרים, And the Rabbis say: In Judea, people would perform labor בִּיהוּדָה הָיוּ עוֹשִּׁין on Passover eves until midday, and in the Galilee people מַלַאכַה בָעַרָבֵי פָּסַחִים would not perform labor on Passover eve at all. With regard to עד חֲצוֹת, וּבַגַּלִיל לֹא performing labor on the night before Passover eve, the night ַביוּ עוֹשִין כַּל עַקַר. וָהַלַּיִלָּה, בֵּית שַׁמַּאי between the thirteenth and fourteenth of Nisan, Beit Shammai אוֹסְרִין, וּבֵית הָלֵּל prohibit performing labor, and Beit Hillel permit doing so until מַתִּירִין עַד הַנֵּץ הַחַמַּה: sunrise. [ה' ה] הַפֶּּסֵח נִשָּׁחַט The Paschal lamb was slaughtered in three groups, meaning בַּשַׁלשׁ כַּתּוֹת, שֵׁנֵאֵמַר those bringing the offering were divided into three separate sets, וְשַׁחֲטוּ אֹתוֹ כֹּל קָהַל as it is stated: "And the whole assembly of the עֲדַת יִשִּׂרָאֵל, (שֹׁמוֹת **congregation of Israel shall slaughter it** in the afternoon" יב) קַהָּל וְעֶדָה וְיִשְּׁרָאֵל. (Exodus 12:6). The verse is interpreted as referring to three groups: Assembly, congregation, and Israel.

שמות י"ב

(א) וַיֹּאמֶר ה' אֶל מֹשֶׁה וְאֶל אַהָרֹן בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לֵאמֹר:	ה' said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt:
בׁ) הַחֹדֶשׁ הַזֶּה לָכֶם רֹאשׁ חֲדָשִׁים רָאשׁוֹן הוּא לָכֶם לְחָדְשֵׁי הַשָּׁנָה:	This month shall mark for you the beginning of the months; it shall be the first of the months of the year for you.
(ג) דַּבְּרוּ אֶל כָּל עֲדַת יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵאמֹר בָּעָשׂר לַחֹדֶשׁ הַזֶּה וְיִקְחוּ לָהֶם אִישׁ שֶׂה לְבֵית אָבֹת שֶׂה לַבִּיִת:	Speak to the community leadership of Israel and say that on the tenth of this month each of them shall take a lamb to a family, a lamb to a household.
(ד) וְאָם יִמְעַט הַבַּיִת מִהְיוֹת מִשֶּׂה וְלָקַח הוּא וּשְׁכֵנוֹ הַקֶּרֹב אֶל בֵּיתוֹ בְּמִכְסַת נְפָשׁת אִישׁ לְפִי אָכְלוֹ תָּכֹסּוּ עַל הַשֶּׂה:	But if the household is too small for a lamb, let it share one with a neighbor who dwells nearby, in proportion to the number of persons: you shall contribute for the lamb according to what each household will eat.
(ה) שֶׂה תָמִים זָכָר בָּן שָׁנָה יִהְיֶה לָכֶם מִן הַכְּבָשִׂים וּמִן הָעִזִּים תִּקָּחוּ:	Your lamb shall be without blemish, a yearling male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.
ו) וְהָיָה לָכֶם לְמִשְּׁמֶּרֶת עַד אַרְבָּעָה עָשָּׂר יוֹם לַחֹדֶשׁ הַזֶּה וְשָׁחֲטוּ אֹתוֹ כֹּל קְהַל עֲדַת יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּין הָעַרְבָּיִם:	You shall keep watch over it until the fourteenth day of this month; and all the assembled congregation of the Israelites shall slaughter it at twilight.
(ז) וְלָקְחוּ מִן הַדָּם וְנָתְנוּ עֵל שְׁתֵּי הַמְּזוּזֹת וְעַל הַמַּשְׁקוֹף עַל הַבָּתִּים אֲשֶׁר יֹאכְלוּ אֹתוֹ בָּהֶם:	They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they are to eat it.
(ח) וְאָכְלוּ אֶת הַבָּשָּׂר בַּלַּיְלָה הַזֶּה צְלִי אֵשׁ וּמַצּוֹת עַל מְרֹרִים יֹאכְלֶהוּ:	They shall eat the flesh that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire, with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs.
(ט) אַל תּאכְלוּ מִמֶּנּוּ נָא וּבָשֵׁל מְבֻשָּׁל בַּמָּיִם כִּי אָם צְלִי אֵשׁ רֹאשׁוֹ עַל כְּרָעָיו וְעַל קַרְבּוֹ:	Do not eat any of it raw, or cooked in any way with water, but roasted—head, legs, and entrails—over the fire.
(י) וְלֹא תוֹתִירוּ מִמֶּנוּ עַד בֹּקֶר וְהַנֹּתָר מִמֶּנוּ עַד בֹּקֶר בָּאֵשׁ תִּשְׂרֹפוּ:	You shall not leave any of it over until morning; if any of it is left until morning, you shall burn it.