

The 39 Prohibited Categories of Creative Labor

Class 10

הכּוֹתֵב שְׁתֵּי אוֹתִיּוֹת - Writing two letters

What:

The creating of any symbol with meaning

Do:

Use sign language

Write letters in the air

Not worry if some one takes a photo of you (with out you wanting)

Play regular Scrabble (if you are not accustomed to keep score)

Open combination wheel locks

Walk on snow with shoes that emboss letter marks

Don't:

Write letters or symbols

Write with icing on a cake

Erase to form letters or symbols

Sculpt letters or symbols

Sketch a picture

Create puzzles

Stick letter stickers or magnets

Play deluxe Scrabble (letters lock in place)

Write on ones skin

Layout chips on a floor to form a symbol or letter

Take photos

וְהַמוֹחֵק עַל מְנַת לְכַתֵּב שְׁתֵּי אוֹתִיּוֹת - Erasing in order to write two letters

What:

Erasing any symbol with meaning

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Do:

- Cut or eating a cake in the shape of a letter
- Cut the letters written on a cake if Sefardic
- Slice in between letters or lift them off a cake
- Eat letters in one shot
- Open a book with writing on the side if no other available

Don't:

- Erase
- Use white-out
- Wipe a chalk board
- Mark with black ink over writing
- Rub off or wash off writing on skin
- Shake an Etch-A-Sketch