

Daf HaYomi B'Halacha



Hilchos Kriyas Shema 60 (page 186) מסעיף ב עד אמצע סעיף ד וכן הלכה

Today's TOPICS

Is Proper Intent Necessary to Fulfill General *Mitzvos*?
Which *Mitzvos* Can Be Fulfilled Without Intention?
Why Must Someone Who Read *Shema* Before *Davening* Repeat it During *Davening*?



Is proper intent necessary to fulfill general *mitzvos*?

Someone who performed a *mitzva* action but mistakenly assumed that it wasn't valid (e.g. he held an esrog but thought that it was *pasul* or that it was the wrong time for the *mitzva*) has not fulfilled his obligation. There is a *machlokes* as to whether someone who performed a *mitzva* without any thought-positive or negative-has fulfilled his obligation. There is an opinion which holds that if a person had the right intention at some point during or immediately after the *mitzva*, he has fulfilled his obligation even according to those who require intent. Intention before commencing the *mitzva* [but not during the action] is adequate.

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Which mitzvos can be fulfilled without intention?

The previous *machlokes* pertains to someone who knew he was executing an action but was unaware that he performed a *mitzva* by doing so. According to all opinions, however, someone



who does something inadvertently-i.e. he does not even intend to perform the action -- is not *yotzei* (e.g. someone who blew into a shofar without intending to make a shofar sound). According to many *poskim*, *mitzvos* which involve eating can be fulfilled inadvertently.

(ביה"ל ד"ה יש וד"ה ויש)



Why must someone who read *Shema* before davening repeat it during davening?

Someone who read *Shema* before *davening* must repeat it later when reciting the *berachos*. One reason for this is that repeating *Shema* prepares a person for *Shemoneh Esrei* with the study of Torah. A second purpose is to satisfy the opinion of the *poskim* who hold that the *mitzva* of *kriyas Shema* is not properly performed without the *berachos*. If for some reason someone recited *Shema* without the *berachos* and then davened *Shemoneh Esrei*, he should repeat *Shema* with the *berachos* afterwards.

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Westerday's HIGHLIGHTS

- According to the Mechaber, members of the congregation should not respond Amen when the chazan completes the beracha of Ahava Rabbah. Any talking between the beracha and Shema may be considered a hefseik between the beracha and the mitzva.
- According to the Rama, it is proper to respond Amen to the beracha of Ahava Rabbah. It is not considered an interruption because Ahava Rabbah is not a classic birkas hamitzva since it does not contain the words asher kidishanu b'mitzvosov.
- According to the Rama, it is only permissible to answer Amen to the beracha of Ahava Rabbah or other berachos that one is allowed to respond to between the segments of birchos Kriyas Shema.

Tomorrow's TOPICS

- Intent for mitzvos d'rabonon
- Does preparation for the mitzva count as intention?
- The kavana of the first pasuk of Shema

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