

AROUND THE TABLE

Rebbe



CARD 1

LET'S CONNECT

Today we are gathering to learn about a special leader who cared for everyone. Here's how to bring it all together.

- › Gather your parents and siblings around the table at dinnertime. Maybe even invite a friend, neighbor, or cousin.
- › Make the meal extra special with your favorite drink or a special snack—think grape juice and chocolate chip cookies.
- › Use the cards in this pack to share the special day with everyone around the table. As group leader, you'll ask someone to read each card in order.

CARD 2

WHO WAS THE REBBE?

The Lubavitcher Rebbe was the head of the Chabad movement for over 40 years, and a leader to all Jewish people everywhere. He dedicated his entire life to making the world a better place and made it his mission to help every person use all of their talents to spread goodness and kindness.

DIRECTIONS: Read these questions out loud and see who knows the answers.

What is the Rebbe's name?

- Shneur Zalman Menachem Mendel Dovid

Where are the Rebbe's headquarters of the Rebbe?

- Russia 770 Eastern Parkway Tel Aviv

The Rebbe made the world a better place by doing what?

- Sending Shluchim to open Chabad Houses all over the world
 Established thousands of Camp Gan Izzys & Hebrew Schools
 Both of the above

CARD 3

A STORY OF THE REBBE

On Sundays, anyone who wanted a moment with the Rebbe could come to the Chabad headquarters in New York, wait in line with hundreds of people, and slowly inch up to where the Rebbe stood. The Rebbe would look at each person in the eye, hand them a dollar bill, and say, “Blessings and success!” Each visitor was meant to give the dollar to charity.

People would come from all over the world for that one moment. Sometimes people would ask the Rebbe a question, or ask for a blessing for something specific. Sometimes the Rebbe would start a conversation, give extra encouragement, or give a second dollar.

Once, an elderly woman came to visit the Rebbe to receive a dollar. She waited in line for a long time, and was very tired by the time it was her turn. When she came face-to-face with the Rebbe, she saw that he was standing up and smiling as if he wasn't

tired at all. And he was over 80 years old!

“How do you do it?” she asked the Rebbe. “How is it that you are not exhausted?”

The Rebbe answered, “When you are counting diamonds, you don’t get tired!”

That’s how the Rebbe saw each person. As a diamond.

Diamonds, before they’re cut, don’t look so special. They look just like rocks. When the Rebbe looked at someone, he didn’t just see their body; he saw their soul.

CARD 4

LET'S DISCUSS

DIRECTIONS: Go around the table, and ask everyone to share their answer to the following question.

What's one way you can learn from the Rebbe and make the world a better place?