

## Tu B'shvat Family Feud Questions

- A) What are the other names of Tu B'shvat, Hebrew or English
1. New Year of the Trees / Rosh Hashanah Leilanot - 55
  2. Chag Hailanot - 30
  3. Jewish Arbor Day - 12
  4. Hamesh Esrei B'Shvat (Secular Zionist in 19<sup>th</sup> century) - 3
- B) What rituals do we perform on Tu B'shvat?
1. Eat fruit from Israel - 50
  2. Plant a tree in Israel - 38
  3. Hold a Tu B'shvat Seder – 10
  4. Learn about the environment - 2
- C) What types of fruit do we eat at a Tu B'shvat seder?
1. Fruit from Israel - 60
  2. Fruit with a hard exterior and soft interior (i.e. Nuts, oranges) - 12
  3. Fruit with a soft exterior and hard interior (i.e. Fruit with pits, dates, plums, etc.) – 10
  4. Fruit that are throughout (i.e. Berries, melons) - 8
- D) What roles do trees play in our local environment?
1. Produces Oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>)- 25
  2. Provides food for birds, insects, animals - 19
  3. Removes Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) - 15
  4. Provides homes for birds, insects, animals - 10
  5. Anchors soil, prevents soil erosion – 6
  6. Acts as windbreaker - 5
  7. Purifies air, removes other pollutants - 5
  8. Provides shade to plants and animals - 5
  9. Drains swamps -2
  10. Beautifies the land - 5
- E) What New Years are mentioned in the Torah?
1. Rosh Hashanah (new year of years) - 50
  2. Tu B'shvat (new year of trees and plants) - 40
  3. New year of Animals - 6
  4. New year of Kings - 4
- F) What are the major causes of forest destruction in the United States?
1. Urban and Suburban Sprawl, ie our homes, stores & roads - 50
  2. Logging - 30
  3. Forest Fires – 15
  4. Infestation - 5
- G) What can you do in your own life to protect forests and trees?
1. Recycle used paper - 30
  2. Use both sides of paper - 20
  3. Buy recycled paper – 20
  4. Use less paper - 15
  5. Plant a tree - 10
  6. Donate money to environmental conservation - 5

**Optional Addition: Pop Questions ( 25 points each)**

First hand up gets to answer.

1) What is called “eitz chayim”

Answer – Torah

2) For most of the 20<sup>th</sup> century Jews celebrated Tu B’shvat by doing what in Israel?

Answer – Planting trees

3) What tree in Israel is commonly know to bloom first.

Answer – Almond, *Shkeydia*

4) Where does the tradition of a Tu B’shvat seder come from

Answer – Kabbalists of Tzfat

5) How do Trees affect global warming?

Answer – Remove CO2 helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions