

Halachos of Mavir Sedra (Reviewing the Parsha)

- **All males are required to be mavir sedra every week**
- **Those that are mavir sedra will live a longer life amongst other Brachos**

How

- There are two variations on how to read each passuk:
- Read each passuk twice and then the Targum
- Read one passuk, then the Targum, then the passuk again
- The translation should not be read before the Psukim
- Read each passuk twice and afterwards Targum for each parsha (meaning until the letter ם or ן)
- Really the requirement is to read the Targum Unkulus (because it was given at Har Sinai)
- Learning Rashi is also considered a translation
- If one does Rashi without doing Unkulus, then the pesukim that don't have any Rashi should be read three times
- Best is to do both and Unkulus and Rashi
- Those that have a difficult time understanding Unkulus and/or Rashi should use an English translation that actually explains the pesukim and doesn't just translate (The Living Torah Chumash from R' Aryeh Kaplan is a good example)
- The pesukim and Unkulus should be verbalized. With the name of Hashem. Translation and Rashi don't have to be verbalized
- The parsha should be reviewed in the proper order. If it wasn't then it doesn't have to be repeated
- The psukim can be read quietly along with the Baal Koreh and that will count towards reading the psukim one time
- There should preferably be no talking or disturbances while reviewing the Parsha
- At the end of the Parsha, the last passuk should preferably be repeated

When

- Most are of the opinion that the next weeks Parsha can be started at Minchatime on Shabbos afternoon
- The Parsha should be completed before the meal starts on Shabbos morning
- If no, then up until Tuesday night is acceptable
- After that, up until Simchas Torah is acceptable
- If you're behind from previous weeks, first finish the previous parsha before the current parsha unless you'll miss finishing the current parsha by Shabbos morning
- Kabala says not to learn Tanach at night. Those that aren't concerned with Kabala (most) can learn Tanach at night. Therefore mavir sedra at night is fine
- Even those that don't learn Tanach at night, Thursday and Friday nights are allowed