Number Room Labels

The strings on the Ashkenazi Tzitzit are tied with the pattern of 7-8- 11-13.   The specific numbers can be interpreted in the following way:  7 represents the perfection of the physical world, which was created in seven days. 8 is the number of transcendence that goes beyond nature. 11 is the numerical value of vav-hey, the last two letters of God's Name.13 is the numerical value of echad – one.  A tzitzit from the Sephardic traditions will have the following pattern of numbers: 10- 5- 6- 5.

Jewish numbers often have significance in the Jewish traditions. Can you guess what each number refers to? Lift the flaps to learn more.

It is customary to give tzedakah in sets of 18 to correlate with the Hebrew Gematria for the word chai, meaning life.

During the Holocaust, prisoners selected for work were branded with numbers at the Auschwitz concentration camps.