

Eat With Tomer

Elective 2

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SUMMARY:	How can food tell our story? How can we use cooking in camp to create an educational experience? 3 course meal of Storytelling... Come hungry and open minded. – <i>Submitted by Tomer Moked</i>
TOPIC(S):	Perspective, hospitality
LEARNING OBJECTIVE:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How can positive perspective help our summer experience. 2. Get inspired to be a great host to your campers and fellow staff.
AUDIENCE:	Age: 9 and up, 10-25 participants, staff training
TIMING:	90 Min
APPENDICES:	<p>Handout 1 - Genesis 18 - Three Men Visit Abraham Handout 2 - The kind of story we need right now Handout 3 - The Story of Kamsa and Bar Kamsa Handout 4 - Refreshing Drinks Handout 5 - Let's Host!</p>
MATERIALS NEEDED:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper • Pens • Green Tea bags/Coffee • Hot water/ Kettle • Cups • Projector and Speakers • Snacks: Popcorn salt, caramel and chocolate. • Muffins, Scones, Brownies, Mini cakes, Smores. • Cocktails: Lemon Juice, Ice, Plastic party cups, Sprite, Ginger Ale, Bug Juice, Sugar, mint, pineapple juice, sparkling grape juice. • 4 pitchers • Flip chart
SET-UP DETAILS:	Large room, A chair for each participant

SESSION TIMELINE & OUTLINE:

Opening: Prepare (5 min)

- Play "Catch by the Finger": Participants stand in a circle, arms out to the side. Left hand palm up, right index finger pointing down and touching on neighbor's outstretched palm. "When I say the word go, do two things.... grab the finger in your left hand, and prevent your right finger from being grabbed... 1 ... 2 ... 3 ... [add suspense] ... Go!".
- In the first round have participants count how many times their finger was grabbed.
- In the second round have participants count the times they grabbed someone else's finger.
- Discussion: What can we learn from this game? How does this game reflect our camp experience?

Main Activity: Jewish Hospitality (50 min)

- Ask participants to find a Chevruta partner. Give each Chevruta partners Handout 1 - **Three Men Visit Abraham** and ask them to read and discuss the questions (15 min).
 - As they speak offer them fresh coffee, tea, some snacks and baked goods.
 - Then have each pair join with another pair (so there are now 4 participants in each team) and have them read and discuss.
- Bring the group together to watch this video: [The kind of story we need right now](#). (10 min)
 - Give each team handout 3 - **The Story of Kamsa and Bar Kamsa** and ask them to read and discuss the questions (15 min).
 - **Ask everyone to join back together and ask them to reflect on how 2 Jewish narratives address the same idea.**

Welcome to Camp (20 min)

Divide the group to 5 groups. Reveal the 5 brainstorm corners:

1. Welcome Campers Ideas
 2. Welcome Staff Ideas
 3. Cabin Welcome Decor
 4. International Staff welcome
 5. Goodbye Memorable Kit
- Rotate the groups around the corners and ask them to add ideas to make the hosting experiences this summer better for campers and staff. (each rotation should be 3 minutes)
 - Play soft music while they discuss.
 - Each group should end where they started. When they get there they should select an idea or two that appeals to them the most and share with the rest of the group.

Final Debrief:

- What did you take from this activity?
- What do you want to bring back to camp?