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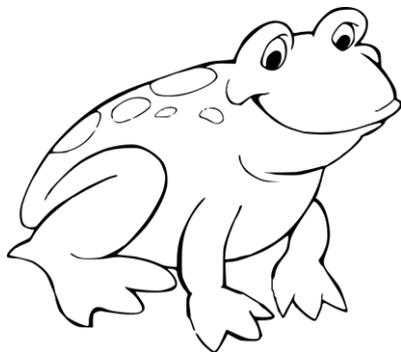


## פרשת וארא

לזכות הרה"ח הרה"ת ר' עקיבא גרשון בן רחל בתי שיי  
לרפואה שלימה וקרובה  
ושימשיך בשליחותו מתוך בריאות הנכונה בפשטות  
לאורך ימים ושנים טובות

*Minimize the Hurt*

**T**he second *maka* that Hashem brought upon the *Mitzriyim* was the plague of frogs. Aharon struck the river and brought up one gigantic frog. The Egyptians hit the frog and swarms of frogs sprung out, plaguing the entire *Mitzrayim*.



**Question** – The rule is that, “One who starts a *mitzva* should be the one to complete it.” Why then did Aharon only start the *maka* when he brought up one frog, but did not complete the full *maka* on his own?

**Answer** – When doing something good, like helping another person, or building a *shul*, the person who started should do his best to complete it. However, when bringing a punishment to another person, one should try to do the least possible!

We find this idea by the *mitzva* of giving *malkus* to a *Yid* who deserves to be whipped. The *beis din* would give him the least whips possible.

Since Aharon brought a plague to *Mitzrayim*, he did the minimum necessary for the *maka* and left the rest up to Hashem.

**Lesson -** When a *mitzva* comes our way, for example, if our mother asks us to clear the table or to clean our room, we make sure to complete the *mitzva* all the way! We don't take a break until the *mitzva* is done!



*(Based on Likutei Sichos vol. 16 p. 84-85)*

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## Let's Review...



What does this week's *parsha* speak about?

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What question do we have?

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What is the answer?

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What lesson can we learn from this week's *parsha*?

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