

מִצְוָה MATH



The צִיצִית are supposed to remind us of the 613 mitzvot. Let's see if you can figure out how. Before we start you need to know that every Hebrew letter has a numerical value. Here are all of the Hebrew letters and their numerical values.

100 = ק	10 = י	1 = א
200 = ר	20 = ט	2 = ב
300 = ש	30 = ל	3 = ג
400 = ת	40 = מ	4 = ד
	50 = נ	5 = ה
	60 = ס	6 = ו
	70 = ע	7 = ז
	80 = פ	8 = ח
	90 = צ	9 = ט

Now let's do some math. Grab a טְלִית and count the number of strings on one of the corners. Write that number here _____

Now count the number of knots on one corner. How many are there? _____

Great. Let's add those two numbers up: _____ + _____ = _____

Did you get 13? I hope so. Now we have to use our gematria - that's the numbers that go along with the Hebrew letters that I told you about above.

See if you can put the correct numbers under each Hebrew letter in the word צִיצִית.

ת	י	צ	י	צ
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Now add all these numbers up.

= _____

Did you get 600? If not, check your gematria again. If you did get 600 let's add that to the number we got above from the strings and the wraps.

What's the grand total? _____ How many מִצְוֹת are there? _____