

Pnina Tameno-Shata

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This box of HaMoadon is all about leadership in Israel. This time of year is also the time of the Festival of Sigd which falls on 29th Cheshvan each year. The festival is one celebrated by the Beta Yisrael Community or Jews of Ethiopian Descent. There are many amazing leaders that we can learn from in that community, here we are focusing on one.

Born in 1981 in Wuzaba, Ethiopia. Pnina Tameno-Shata is an Israeli politician, lawyer and journalist.

Her family made an Aliyah to Israel when she was three during "Operation Moses" – the evacuation of more than 7000 Ethiopian Jews from Sudan by the Mossad organisation.

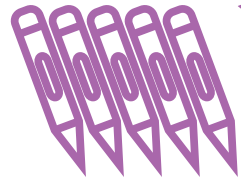
She made history when in 2013 she became the first Beta Yisrael woman to enter the Knesset. In 2013 she also became the first person of her heritage to become a minister as she served as the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption.



Worksheet activity

Pnina and her family had to go through many difficulties in their Aliyah story and in their first years in Israel. Using the template worksheet, create a cartoon story of something difficult you have done and finally achieved at.

At the time of going to press Israel is going through an election and we do not know what position Pnina will hold in the new government.



Learning from Pnina Tameno-Shata

