

Lecha Dodi

Like other poets of his time, Rabbi Shlomo Halevy Alkabetz signed his name to his song by making it an acrostic. The first letter of the first eight stanzas spell out his name -- Shlomo Halevy. Can you find this name in the first two stanzas on page 6, and in the rest of the prayer on page 8?

Another way to play with letters is a crossword puzzle. Use the English clues and the choices at the bottom of the page to complete the crossword by filling in the squares with Hebrew letters. You do not need to include vowels.

DOWN

1. my friend
3. let us receive
4. with this word, we rise and face door
6. to greet
7. Fri. eve to Sat. eve
9. accept, receive (root)
11. not groom

ACROSS

2. name of song
5. the presence of
8. a word that begins with the 1st letter of the author's name
10. a word that begins with the 2nd letter of the author's name
12. let's go

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