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Harold B. Lee Spiritual Giant Family Home Evening Packet



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\$5.00

President Harold B. Lee “Spiritual Giant” Family Home Evening Packet

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Suggested Songs: “Reverent-Lee, Quiet-Lee”, pg. 26 (Childrens)

“A Happy Helper”, pg. 197 (Childrens)

“Because I Have Been Given Much”, pg. 219 (Hymn)

“Scatter Sunshine”, pg. 230 (Hymn)

Scriptures: D&C 1:38

Story: Color graphics with markers, colored pencils, chalks, etc.

Use flannel, or laminate and cut out
and place magnets on back of graphics, etc.

Game: Preparation - There are two sheets of paper for the “Prophetic Pursuit” game board. Take the “Start” and “Finish” sheet, and with a ruler and sharp blade, line up the ruler on the far right-hand side of the sheet with the edges of the game spaces, and cut a vertical line from top to bottom. Then place that sheet, overlapping it on the other remaining sheet of the game board and line up. Tape or glue edges down on the back side. Color as desired and laminate. Color, laminate and cut our game tokens. Laminate and cut out the trivia cards. You will need a die for the game. If you have previously purchased any of the “prophet” packets, you may combine the trivia game cards from all packets to form one larger game. Every month a new prophet packet will be released so that you may add additional cards to your existing game.

Play - The object of the game is to be the first team to get all three tokens from the “Start” to the “Finish”. Divide the family into two, three or four teams and give each team the die, or split the amount between two tokens. Its turn continues until it misses a question. If a question is missed, an opposing team can challenge. If the challenging team answers correctly, it can steal the amount on the die, and move one of its tokens. If it misses the question, it has to send one of its tokens back to the “Start” position. Once a token makes it to the finish, it cannot be taken out. Two players may occupy the same space at one time. The game ends when a team successfully gets all three of its tokens to the “Finish” space. If you run out of cards before play has ended, turn the pile of discarded cards over and place in the draw pile. © 2003 Hatch Patch Creations

Wonderful-Lee Easy Peanut Butter Cups

Ingredients

- 1 cube melted margarine
- 8 graham crackers, crushed
- 1 cup peanut butter
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- milk chocolate chips

Directions: Mix melted margarine and crushed graham crackers together. Add peanut butter and mix well. Blend in powdered sugar and vanilla. Press into a 9x13 pan. Melt chocolate chips and spread over mixture in pan. Refrigerate until chocolate sets. Cut into small squares. MMMMMMM!

**Special Thanks to Melissa Huntsman
for this recipe!**

Harold B. Lee, Spiritual Giant

Arthur Haycock once said of President Harold B. Lee: "He was deeply spiritual. He was so close to the other side that he often said that there was no veil. For him, I know that was true. He did not wear his sensitivity on his sleeve. He was always in tune with the Spirit, but he was always in touch with the people as well. He had a remarkable gift as a leader." ("In the Company of Prophets," Heidi S. Swinton, p. 70)

Harold Bingham Lee was the eleventh president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He served as an apostle of the Lord, called in April of 1941 and went on to become the Prophet of the Church on July 7, 1972. His time as prophet however, was very short as he died on December 26, 1973.

Harold was born on March 28, 1899 in a little town in Idaho called Clifton. Clifton was a small farming community located in the northern part of Cache Valley. Though Harold learned to work hard, he also was taught culture and refinement. His mother was known for her decorating talent and their home was beautifully designed.

Samuel Marion Lee Jr. and Louisa Bingham Lee were little Harold's parents and they taught him well. His father was not only the bishop of the Clifton ward, but spent his time farming and teaching school. Harold learned to play several instruments as a child, including the piano.

President Lee attended school at the Clifton Grammar School where he studied for eight years. Then, he enrolled in the Oneida Stake Academy in Preston, Idaho. He remained there for four years where he became a great scholar. He also loved sports of all kinds and displayed his wonderful musical talent. He became a debater, wrote for the school paper and managed some of the athletic teams.

During his years at the academy, Harold became very good friends with a boy just five months younger than himself - Ezra Taft Benson. Little did they suspect that they would both later become presidents and prophets of the Church.

Upon his graduation from Oneida, President Lee earned a teaching certificate from the Albion State School and began teaching in the Silver Star School in Weston, Idaho which was very close to his home in Clifton. Each month, he was paid seventy-five dollars. This included his room and board and he would send most of his money home to his father. Even later when he earned more money, he still sent his earnings home.

During the next few years, Harold increased his education by attending Albion again. He then was offered the principal position of a school in Oxford. There he ran the school, served as Elder's quorum president, played the trombone in a dance band and even led a women's chorus.

It was then that President Lee was called to serve a mission in the Western States Mission. Here he became very good friends with his mission president, John M. Knight.

Harold would visit his past missionary acquaintances in Salt Lake City, including Fern Tanner who had been a missionary in his zone. They started out as very good friends and that relationship blossomed into marriage.

Fern and Harold were married November 14, 1923 in the Salt Lake Temple. Harold had moved to Salt Lake City to attend the University of Utah. He received his teaching degree and was soon hired to be the principal at the Whittier School and then later at the Woodrow Wilson School. These positions enabled him to be able to marry Fern.

After their marriage, Harold and Fern purchased a home in the Pioneer Stake in Salt Lake City. Harold was soon called as a high counselor and soon after, a counselor in the Stake Presidency. Two years later, much to his surprise, he was called as the Stake President. He was the youngest stake president ever called at that time, being sustained at the ripe old age of thirty-one.

It wasn't long until Harold B. Lee became well known in the Church and the community. His former mission president, John Knight, had been elected as a city commissioner and he talked Harold into running for a vacant seat. President Lee was elected. Soon after, Stake President Lee began a program in his stake to help the poor members of his stake.

The stake obtained an old warehouse where volunteer workers would can food, make clothing and build furniture. It soon became known as the "Storehouse." A large garden was cultivated to grow food for the needy and the works of President Lee and all of the good people helping him soon became known far and wide. The Presidency of the Church were so impressed that they asked President Lee to come and present his plan for providing for the poor of the Church.

The Presidency of the Church then made a few adjustments to it and accepted it for Church-wide use. President Lee was then asked to serve as the director of the Church Security Department. He later was named as the Church Welfare Department director. He left his positions as commissioner and stake president so that he could fulfill his new callings in the Church to the best of his ability.

President Lee had great faith in his welfare program and promoted it throughout the Church and the world. By 1941, it had become an established part of the Church and when Apostle Reed Smoot died, Elder Lee was set apart to take his place. He was only forty-two when he became an Apostle.

By this time, Harold and Fern had two teenage daughters, Helen and Maureen, who were taught refinement and culture just as Harold had been taught. It was sometimes difficult for the little family when President Lee had to spend a lot of time traveling.

In the fall of 1941, just months after becoming an apostle, Elder Lee traveled to Safford, Arizona after a terrifying flood had destroyed much of the Gila Valley. He met with the Stake President, Spencer W. Kimball, who in 1942 along with Ezra Taft Benson, also became members of the Twelve Apostles.

President Lee was a great father to his two daughters and was able to seal both of them to their husbands in the Salt Lake Temple. He was in such demand to seal young couples that in one particular week in 1948, he performed twenty-three marriages.

Many physical ailments plagued Harold B. Lee during his time as an apostle. He suffered from severe abdominal stress, sinus problems and a serious bleeding ulcer for which he needed several blood transfusions. But these problems seemed small compared to the loss of his wife on September 24, 1962.

Some time later, Harold was prompted to renew his acquaintance with Freda Joan Jensen, who had been the girlfriend of one of his old missionary companions. She had not married his friend but remained single all of those years. They began to date and were married on June 17, 1963. Then another heartbreak hit the Prophet when his daughter Maurine suddenly passed away when she was only forty years old.

On July 7, 1972, Harold Bingham Lee was ordained and set apart as the Prophet of the Church. The Lord had carefully prepared President Lee for this moment. He had traveled extensively, held numerous important positions as an apostle and learned patience by the things that he had gone through.

President Lee had his life threatened by an anti-Mormon group, and once found a toxic material in his water pitcher. He created the Aaronic Priesthood MIA and the Melchizedek Priesthood MIA, and took special interest in the single adult programs of the Church. He was called upon to speak numerous times all over the Western United States. He was a deeply spiritual man, having many personal revelations and promptings. He lived close to the Lord and listened to the still, small voice always.

D. Arthur Haycock tells of a time when he was speaking at a stake conference which President Lee attended. During Brother Haycock's talk, he apologized to the audience for being so short. He was only five foot six and had even tried putting lifts in his shoes but he couldn't make himself any taller. President Lee spoke right after Arthur and said, "I never want to hear you talk like that again. I measure people from the shoulders up." (*In The Company of Prophet*, Heidi S. Swinton, p. 73)

Sister Swinton writes that just after President Lee was sustained as the Prophet, he received a note from a Primary president who explained that she had held up a picture of the new Prophet and told the children that this was President Harold B. Lee. A young boy in the room quickly raised his hand and when called upon, he said excitedly that he knew President Lee. He said that they sang about him all of the time in Primary. He then proceeded to sing the song, "Reverent-Lee, Quiet-Lee."

During the final months of his life, President Lee established plans for smaller temples, training the Saints by satellite, stricter budget control and the renovation of the Church Office Building. He also was the Prophet who dedicated the new Church Office Building.

On December 26, 1973, President Lee checked into a hospital for a routine checkup. During the night, he suffered a heart attack and passed away suddenly and unexpectedly.

President Lee left us with much of his wisdom in statements that he made. Here are a few of our favorites:

"The only honor to your name is the honor you bring to it."

"The safety of the Church lies in the members keeping the commandments. There is nothing more important that I could say. Keep the commandments and blessings will come."

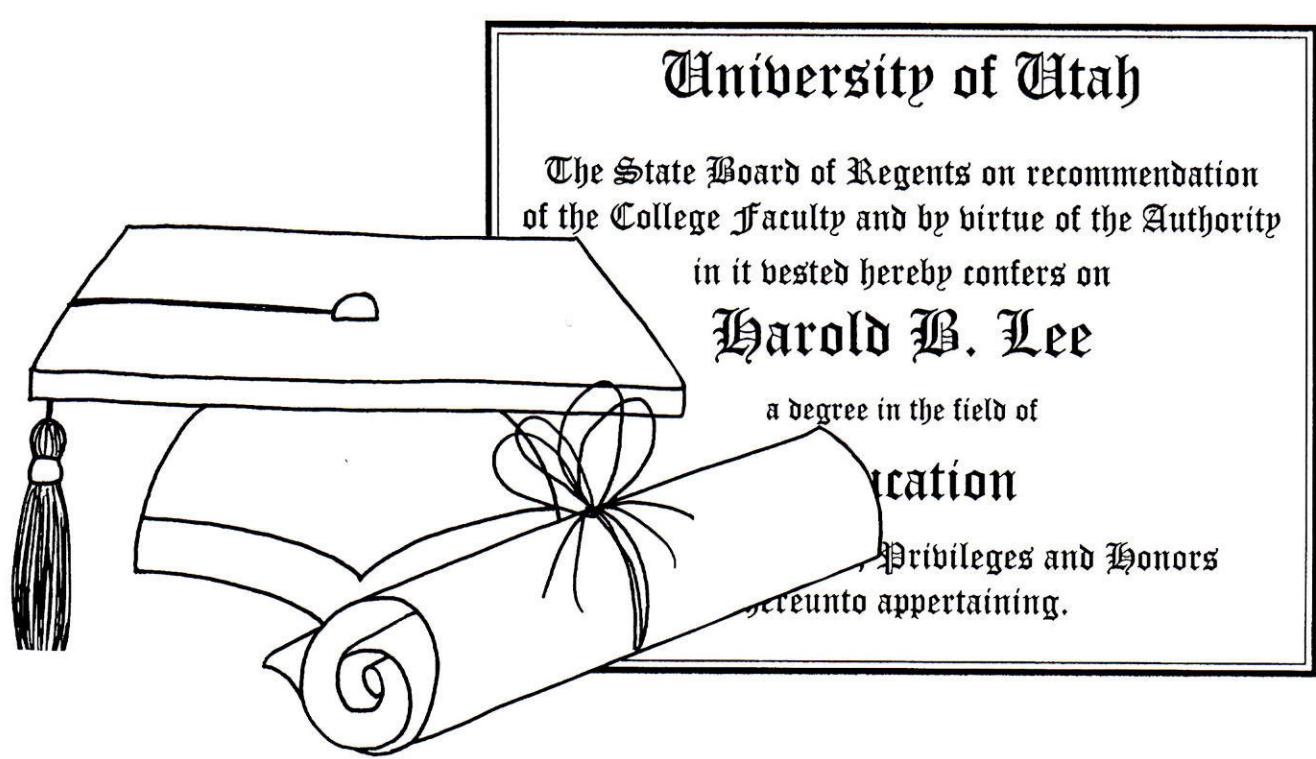
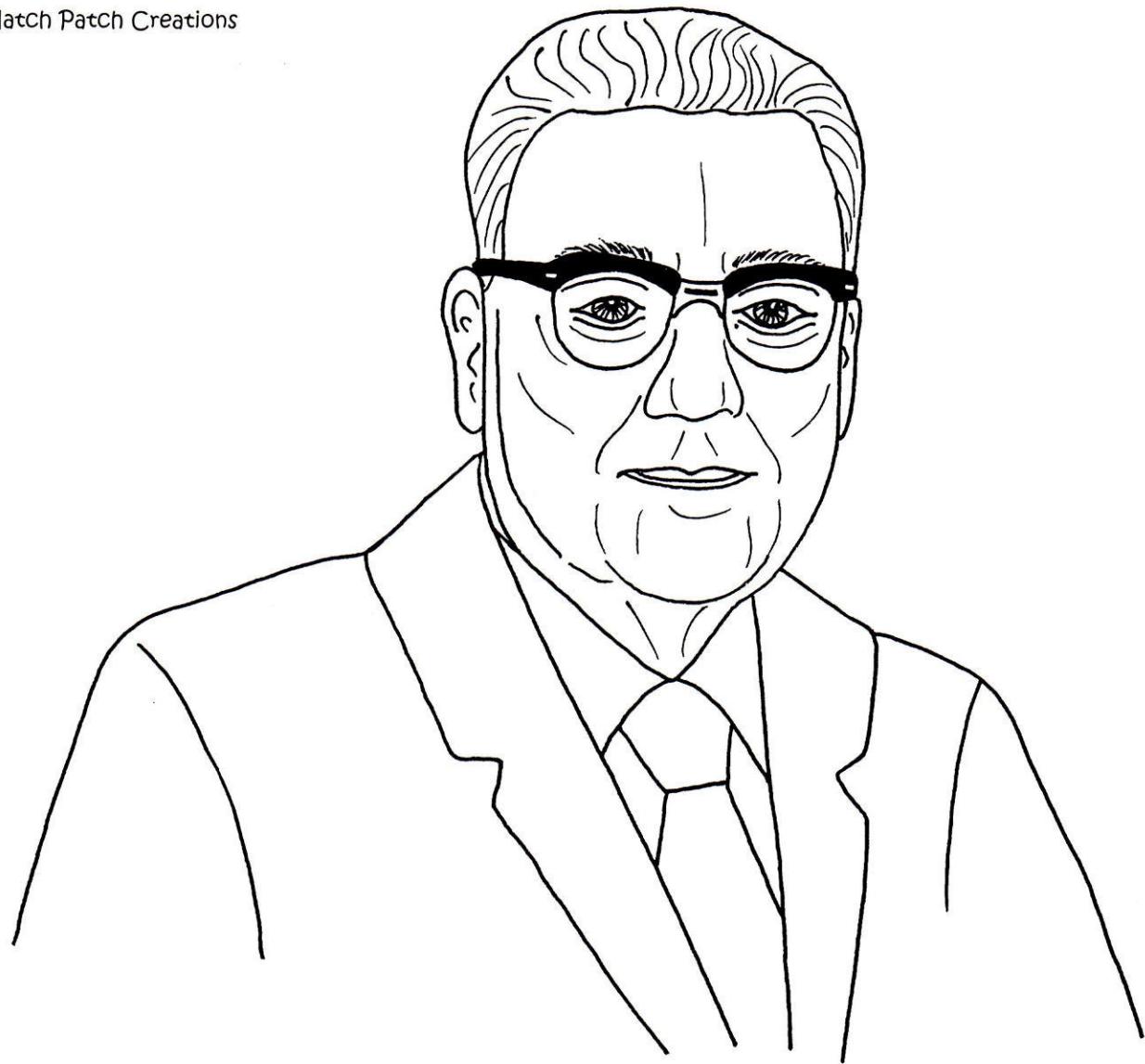
President Lee touched many even though his days as the Prophet of the Church were so short. He was a spiritual giant who has taught all of us by his example that we must listen to the Holy Ghost and then obey.

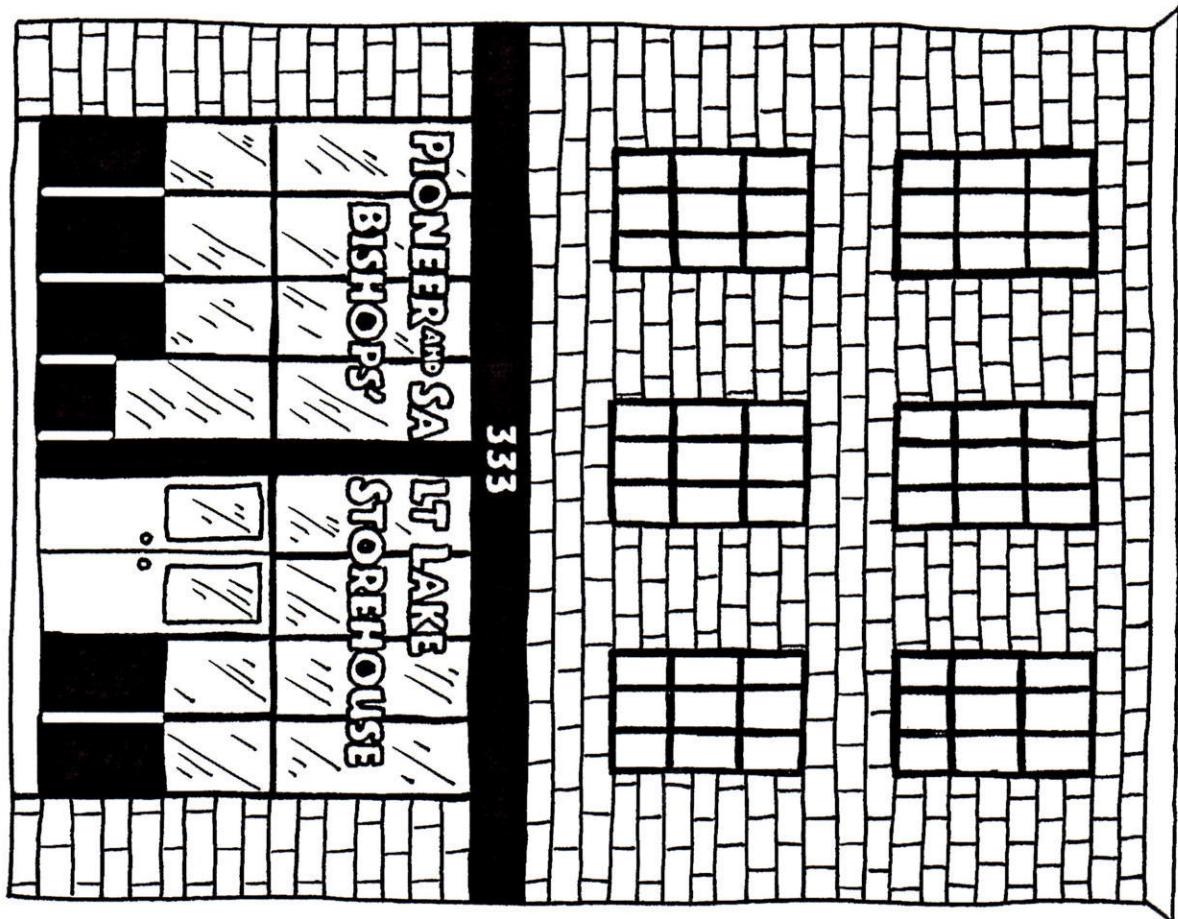
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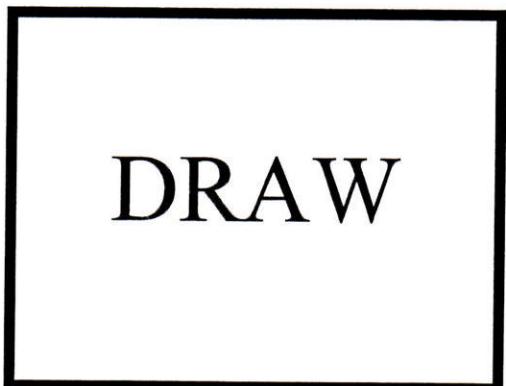
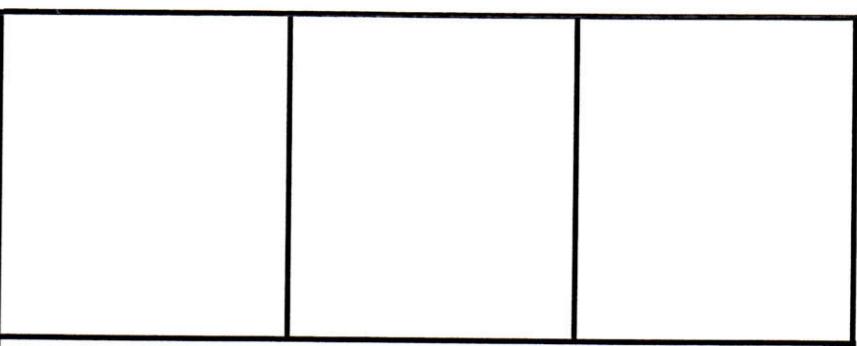
- How important is the Church Welfare System that President Lee set up and what does it do?
- What can we learn from President Harold B. Lee even though he served only a year and a half as President of the Church?

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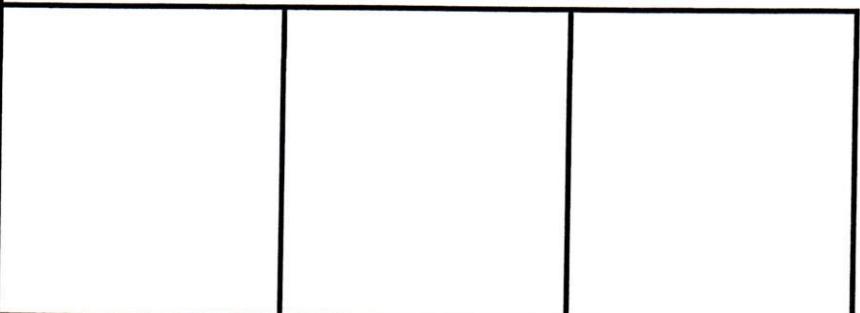
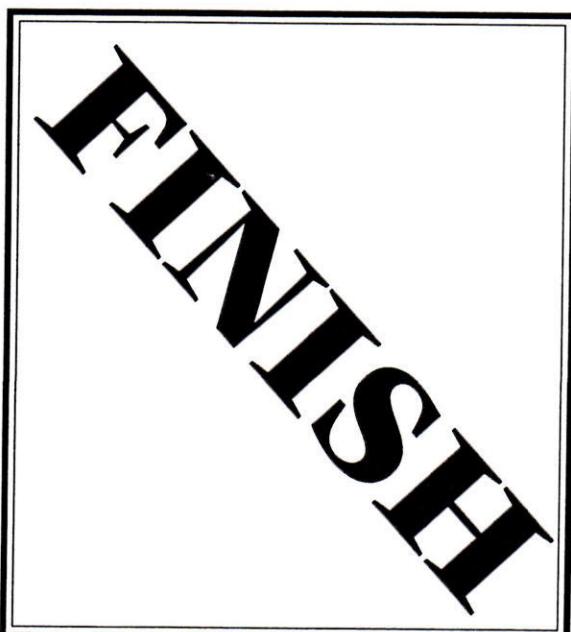




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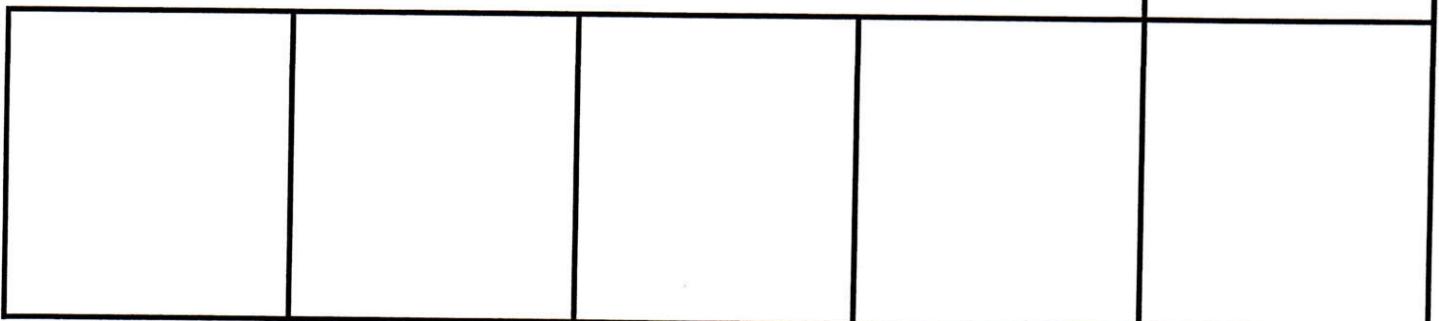
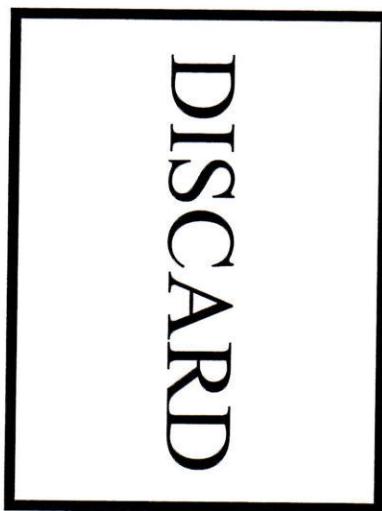
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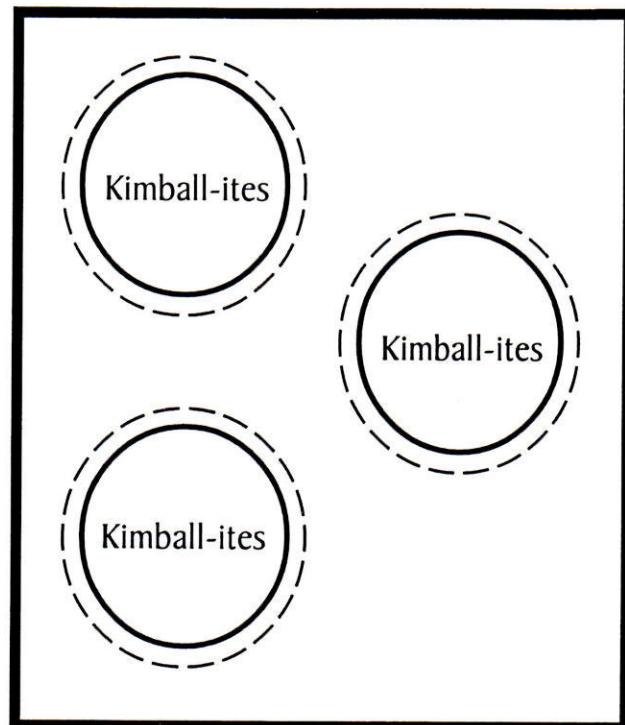
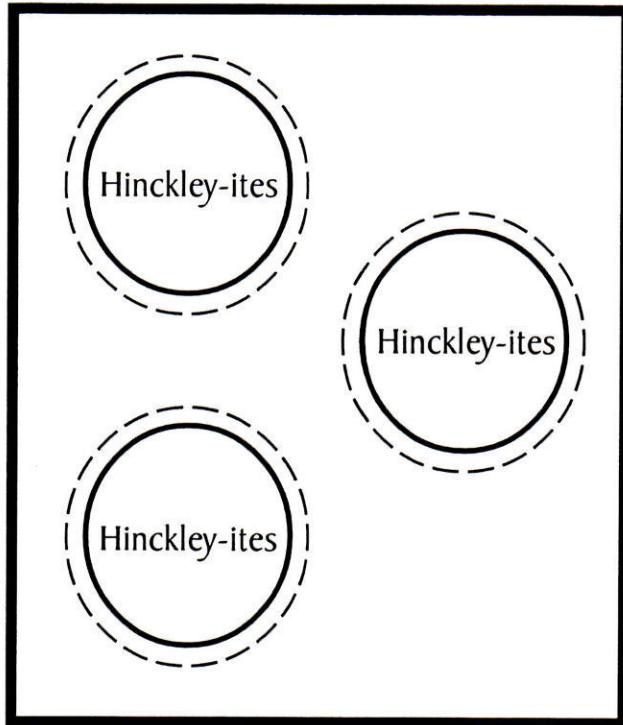


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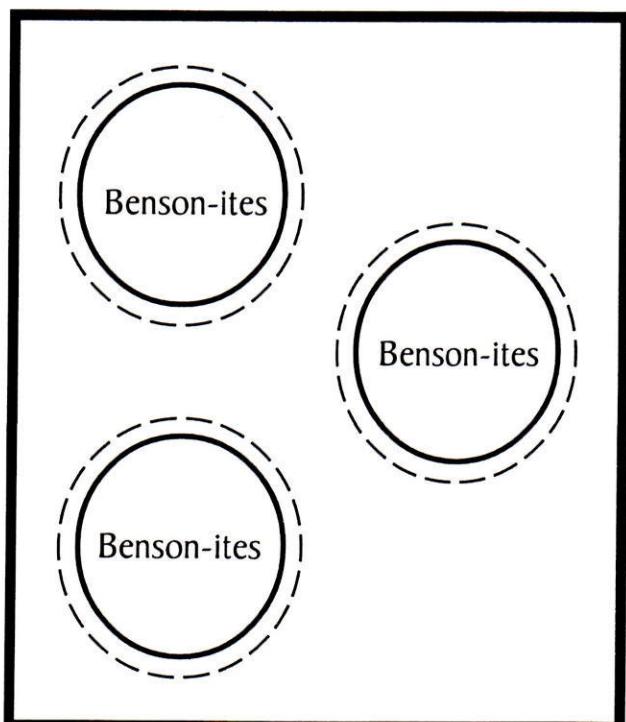
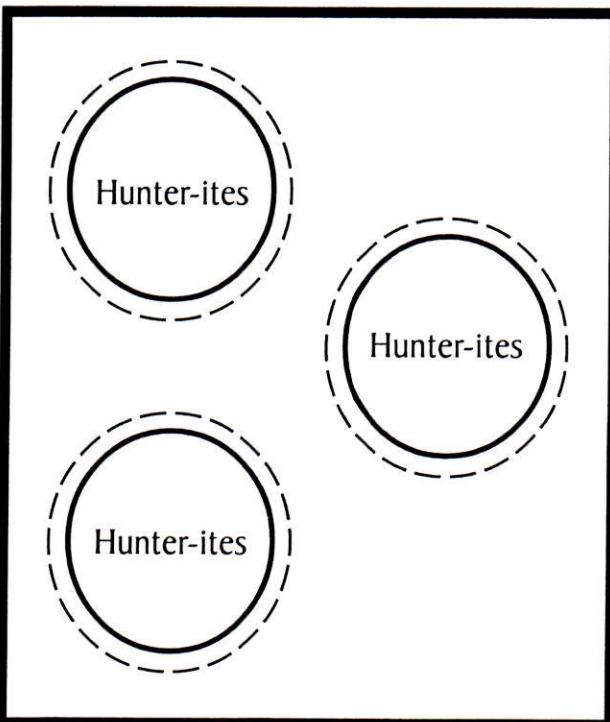


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Game Tokens

Every few months, a new “Prophet of God” packet featuring one of the past prophets of the Church will be released. Each packet will contain a new set of trivia cards to add to the “Prophetic Pursuit” trivia game. Once all prophet packets are collected, you will have an entire trivia game with questions about each prophet of the Church.



JUST DO IT	JUST DO IT	HISTORY	HISTORY	JUST DO IT
To where did Harold B. Lee serve a mission?	How old was Harold B. Lee when he was set apart as an Apostle?	Who was the eleventh Prophet of the Church?	Where was President Harold B. Lee born?	Which Prophet started the Church Welfare Program?
A: The Western States	A: Forty-two	A: Harold B. Lee	A: Clifton, Idaho	A: Harold B. Lee
JUST DO IT	DATES, TRAITS & MATES	HISTORY	HISTORY	JUST DO IT
This Prophet dedicated the Church Office Building in Salt Lake City?	Harold B. Lee died on what date?	What did President Harold B. Lee die from?	How long did President Harold B. Lee serve as Prophet?	DATES, TRAITS & MATES
A: Harold B. Lee	A: December 26, 1973	A: Heart Attack	A: 1 1/2 years	A: Fern Tanner
JUST DO IT	PROPHETIC PASTIMES	HISTORY	HISTORY	JUST DO IT
Which temple were Harold B. Lee and Fern Tanner sealed in?	Harold B. Lee played several instruments growing up, what were they?	How old was President Harold B. Lee when he died?	While growing up, this Prophet was a great debater, wrote for the school paper and managed some of the athletic teams.	PROPHETIC PASTIMES
A: The Salt Lake Temple	A: The piano & trombone	A: Seventy-four	What was Harold B. Lee's father's name?	A: Samuel Marion Lee Jr.

HISTORY	“JUST DO IT”	HISTORY	DATES, TRAITS & MATES	HISTORY
Which Prophet served as the director of the Church Security Department which later became known as the Church Welfare Department?	Harold B. Lee was called to be a Stake President at what age?	What was Harold B. Lee's mother's name?	After the death of his first wife Fern in 1962, who did Harold B. Lee marry?	Which Prophet made the statement “I measure people from the shoulders up.”?
A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>	A: <i>Thirty-one</i>	A: <i>Louisa Bingham Lee</i>	A: <i>Freda Joan Jensen</i>	A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>
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This Prophet created the Aaronic Priesthood MIA and the Melchizedek Priesthood MIA.	As a young man, Harold B. Lee became friends with another young man who would also later become a prophet. Who was he?	Which Prophet had his life threatened by an anti-Mormon group who put a toxic substance in his water pitcher?	Harold B. Lee was set apart as the Prophet of the Church on what date?	John Knight, Harold B. Lee's former mission president convinced Harold to run for what office?
A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>	A: <i>Ezra Taft Benson</i>	A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>	A: <i>July 7, 1972</i>	A: <i>City Commissioner</i>
HISTORY	DATES, TRAITS & MATES	HISTORY	PROPHETIC PASTTIMES	HISTORY
What does the “B” stand for in Harold B. Lee?	Which Prophet was born on March 28, 1899?	This Prophet attended the Oneida Stake Academy in Preston, Idaho. Who was he?	This Prophet served as the principal at both the Whittier School and Woodrow Wilson School?	While serving as a stake president, what did Harold B. Lee create to provide for the needy in his stake?
A: <i>Bingham</i>	A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>	A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>	A: <i>Harold B. Lee</i>	A: <i>The “Storehouse”</i>



*"Our homes should be
the strong place to
which children can
come for the
anchor they need in this day
of trouble and turmoil."*

Harold B. Lee

