

נוסח משופר – הרצאה על בן גוריון באנגלית

2-5 David ben Gurion, the first prime minister of Israel, was a celebrated statesman. He was very powerful, very articulate, he was a tough negotiator, a shrewd politician, very decisive, very dominant, strong willed and charismatic. Thanks to him we have a Jewish state. He insisted, against all odds, to declare independence in 1948.

6 but he had other sides as well: sometimes he was mischievous,

7 sometimes he was a merry maker

8 and he was also a sort of a loner. I want to reveal to you the softer sides of the man who more than anyone else shaped the state of Israel.

9 the origins of the Green family, Ben Gurion was born as Green, go back to Plonsk in Poland, located 60 kilometers north of Warsaw **תצלום של פלונסק**

10 at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Plonsk was known as Yerushalain de Polin... **תצלום של פלונסק**

11 three aspects made Plonsk special... **שיקופית עם כיתוב על פלונסק**

12 David in his memoirs... **תצלום של דב"ג כילד או של ילדים יהודים**

13 the first in the Green dynasty.. **שיקופית של עץ המשפחה**

14 he used to sit his grandson David on his lap... **תצלום של סבא ונכד מהימים ההם**

15 Avigdor Green was even more of an exception in Plonsk. **תצלום של עץ המשפחה**

16 Avigdor Green was the first to wear a gentleman's jacket... **תצלום של אביגדור בעירותו**

17 our story will focus on Avigdor's five children **תצלום של עץ המשפחה**

18 Avigdor Green married Sheindel **תצלום של צריף העץ של משפחת גרין**

19 Avigdor's house was an open house for all **תצלום של הבית עם אנשים**

20 Avigdor was only 41 when his wife Sheindel died **אביגדור ואשתו השנייה**

21 the oldest of the five children **תצלום של אברהם עם אשתו טובה**

22 the other four children of Avigdor **תצלום של 4 האחים**

23 David and his friends were deeply disappointed from Hertzl **תצלום של קונגרס אוגנדה**

24 many young Jews... in 1906 a group of 14 young men and women from Plonsk

decided to make Aliya to Eretz Israel **תצלום של החבורה ערב הנסיעה ארצה**

25 in the group was Rachel Nelkin, who would turn to be David's life long love. **קלוז אפ על**

**הפנים של רחל מבין חברי הקבוצה**

26 and what was Palestine they went to? **תצלום של פלסטינה בתקופת הטורקים או דב"ג ערב עלייתו ארצה**

27 on arriving at Jaffa david thought: oh my god. This is worse than plonsk. hard work, hunger, and malaria were new to him. But than he went to the gallilee and found work as a farm laborer. Shortly after he started to organize the workers there. David wandered between the moshavot, and after he experienced the terrible conditions of the agriculture workers, he decided to study law in turkey in order to defend the workers in palestine. In the cold nights, in a barn or chicken shed or where ever a place he could find for the night, he would sit all night and study. According to myth, by the end of the long winter david knew Arabic and even read the koraan. **דוד בארץ ישראל**

28 **דב"ג** of all his siblings david was mostly attached to his younger sister tzipora, my grandmother

29 you all recognize... in my bat mitzvah **שלי מצווה דב"ג בבת מצווה**

30 david attended all his sister's family events. What made them so close? They were very much alike **תצלום נוסף מהבת מצווה**

31 avigdor was more attached to his younger children **אביגדור לבדו אם אפשר להפריד מאשתו השנייה**

32 avigdor also encouraged his youngest child **תצלום של ציפורה הצעירה**

33 this is david green as law student. **דב"ג כסטודנט**

34 dearest father... send feigele the money **דוד כסטודנט**

35 and when david learns that his sister is engaged **סבתא ציפורה בצעירותה**

36 the man who grandma tzipora married **סבתא ציפורה ובעלה**

37 by the age of 26 **דב"ג בפלסטינה**

38 and finally they met **דב"ג וד"ר קוריטני**

39 after their marriage in plonsk in 1914 **סבתא וד"ר קוריטני ברוסיה**

40 they have just arrived in yelisavetgrad in southern Russia when world war one started. For three years they will not hear from david, since david was a Turkish subject and grandma tzipora was a Russian subject and turkey and russia were at war. **תצלום של מלחמת העולם הראשונה**

41 and where was david on august 1914 when world war one started? On a boat, leaving turkey after two years at law school, heading to Palestine for the summer vacation.

**42** in 1915, while in Palestine, david was accused by the turks of subversive activity and was deported from Palestine. The next two years david spent in new york **כיתוב**

**43** 1917 was a year of hope: in November 1917 the balfour decleration was announced, the british were in favor of seeing in Palestine a homeland for the jews. Now david indulged himself in recruiting American volunteers to assist the british army against the turks. **תצלום של דב"ג בניו יורק**

**44** On December 1917 david married paula monbez, a nurse. Originally from minsk. They didn't bother with a kosher wedding. They registered at a municipal clerk. No rabbai and no friends. **תצלום של פולה ודוד או רק פולה**

**45** paula was not a Zionist. And in marrying david she had to commit herself to something she didn't intend to.