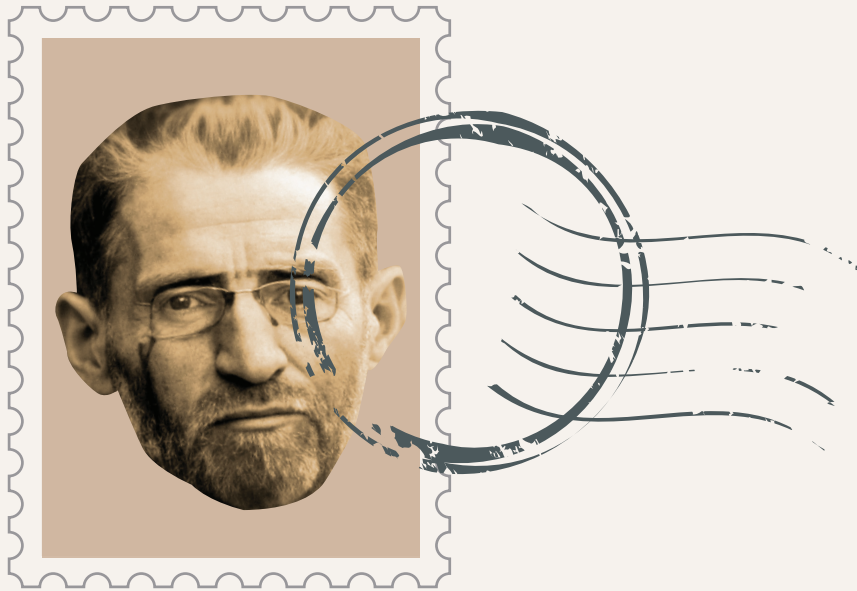




Riddle #2

Language



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The player holding Ben-Yehuda's mask puts it on and reads out the following excerpt



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I was born in Russia in 1858. Growing up, I was exposed to books that were translated into Hebrew, and fell in love with the language.

When I was 20, I started writing in Jewish periodicals and expressed the fact that the Jewish nation needs one uniting language – Hebrew. This may sound like a trivial fact today, but do you know that back then most Jews opposed my ideas?

I was fortunate enough to make aliya to the Land of Israel, and my children were the first native Hebrew speakers! I soon discovered they were missing many words in their daily speech, so I started making up words. For example: Gelida - ice-cream; buba – doll; shi'amum – boredom; lituf – caress, and many more. I also compiled the first Hebrew dictionary. Perhaps this is why I am nicknamed "The revivor of the Hebrew language".

To solve this riddle, you must find out the Hebrew equivalent of the English words appearing on the website. [You can use Google Translate to help you.]

