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Hi Cleveland!

My name is Ori Arnon, and I will be one of your 2020-2021 ShinShinim! I'm so excited to meet you and I would like to tell you a bit about myself. I'm 18 and I'm from a kibbutz called Ashdot Yaacov Ihud, a special place in northern Israel, which is located on the Sea of Galilee. I basically grew up in the sea, and my favorite childhood memories are of walking to the warm water with my siblings, and enjoying it every time. I have 3 siblings - Amit, who is 15, Amy, who is 9, from my dad's second marriage, and Matan, who is 7, from my mom's second marriage. My dad lives in Kiryat Gat with his daughter and wife. I love to hang out with him at my grandma's house, on another kibbutz called Tel Katzir.





I have several hobbies: music - I have studied piano since the 5th grade, and I loved it so much that I decided to expand my musical skills. I have taught myself to play the guitar, bass, drums and to sing - although that's still a work in progress! I think that music can expand your knowledge, relax your mind and open your creativity. Because of that, I got interested in different musical genres, such as hip-hop and R&B, and I've enjoyed composing and programming music through my computer! So don't be shy to ask me anything about music! Also, I love to run and do sports, scuba diving, and I have graduated high school with a focus in chemistry and theater, my favorite subjects. I also love to ride my bicycle with my friends from school and from the kibbutz, and we LOVE to sit around the kibbutz's fields, and play soccer on them.

I love living on a kibbutz, a word that comes from the Hebrew word "kvutza" which means a group or a team. This means that it's a small community, less than 1000 people, who live in a special place, and we all know each other, learn at the same schools, and go to the same activities. I was a counselor in the youth movement on my kibbutz, called "Hanoar haoved ve'halomed", which is a sister movement of "Habonim Dror". I've been a counselor for children between the ages of 10- 15, and I've guided the younger counselors at the kibbutz. "Hanoar Haoved" or han'oal is a huge part of me, and I've been involved since 4th grade. I also worked at the kibbutz's supermarket, so I've gotten to know everyone, which has been very interesting and lots of fun.



I'm so excited to start this year with you guys, and I can't wait meet you all!

See you soon, Cleveland!

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