## **Introduction to Torah Study**

Studying *Torah* is a basic requirement for all Jews and such study is considered to be a prestigious commandment (*Torah* study is as important as doing all the other *mitzvot*: *talmud Torah k'negged kulam*). Setting time for *Torah* study (*k'viat zman l'Torah*) means that we show how important *Torah* study is by setting a specific time each day and a specific duration for such study.

But all commandments that you must do (*mitzvot aseh*) take precedence over studying *Torah*. That is, you may NOT ignore the need to do another positive commandment because you are studying!

## Minimum Required Torah Study

The minimum requirements for Jews to learn:

- Men: All parts of the *Torah* plus whatever *halacha* is relevant for them.
  - NOTE The most important subjects for men to study are whatever is practical for them in their lives
- Women: All halachot relevant for them, and hashkafa.

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