



## ARK OF THE COVENANT

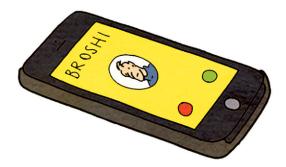
According to the Bible, the Ark was a gold-covered wooden chest containing the Tablets of the Covenant, the stones engraved with the ten commandments which were dictated to Moses by God at Mount Sinai.

The Ark was used as a mobile temple while the Jewish people were wandering in the desert after their Exodus from Egypt. A sacred artifact representing God's presence on earth, it was believed to have mystical powers. The early Hebrews carried the Ark as a talisman in front of their army when going into battle. Later, the Ark was placed in the Temple in Jerusalem and religious ceremonies were performed around it.

Nobody knows what happened to the Ark of the Covenant. It is mentioned in biblical text for the last time around 600 BC, in connection with the renovations of the Temple. In the year 568 BC, the Babylonians conquered Jerusalem and exiled its inhabitants. There is no mention of the Ark on the Babylonians' list of looted treasures or the Bible's account of this list.

Many legends have evolved about the Ark and its whereabouts. Archaeologists, mystics, and adventurers still seek for it in vain.





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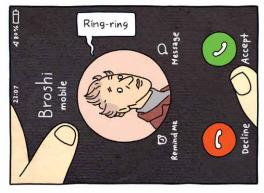
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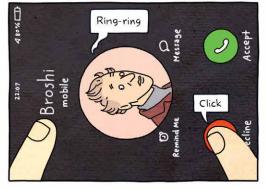
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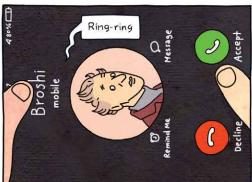






















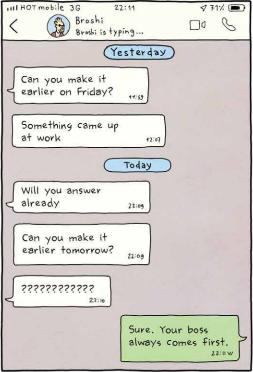




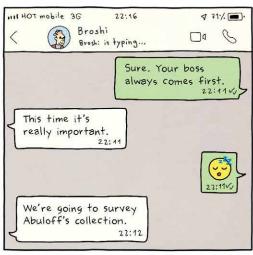












We're going to surve Abuloff's collection.

He's donating it to the department.

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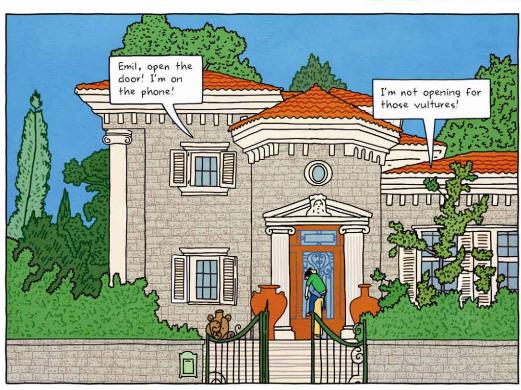


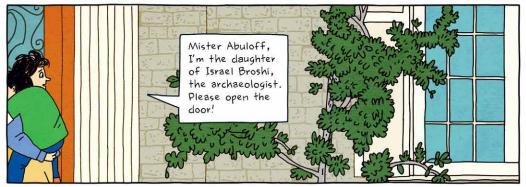










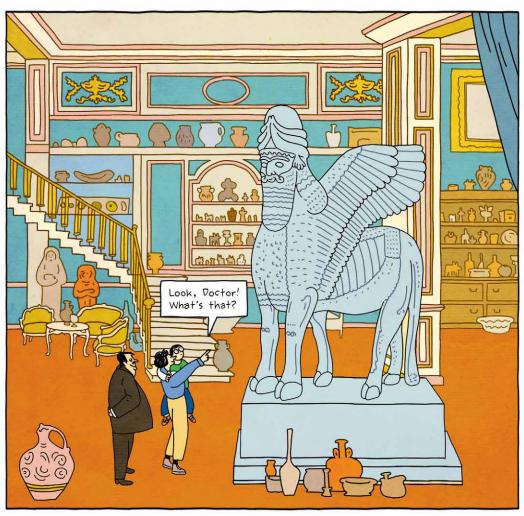










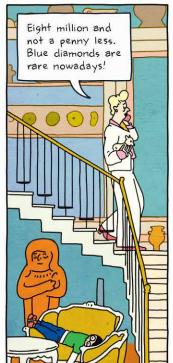










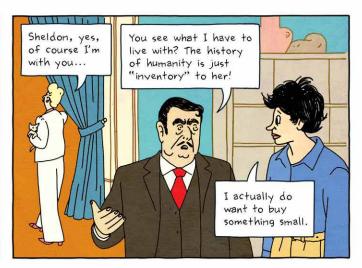










































































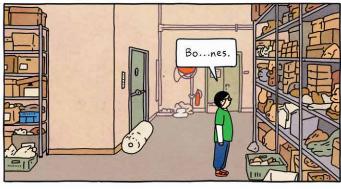






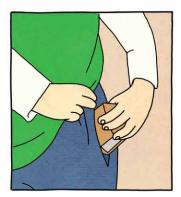










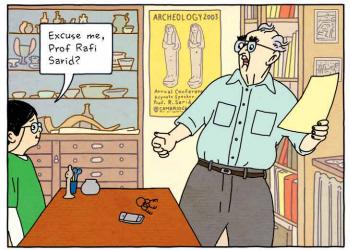














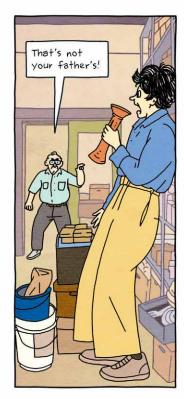








































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The seal, discovered during the Megiddo excavations, is prohably the most important finding since the Meroptah Stele





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