

# Brit Mila: Choice of Sandak

Choose the greatest Jewish scholar (*talmid chacham*) in your town or city as *sandak* (person who holds the baby for the *brit mila*), since *kabbala* says it is a good omen for the boy's soul. A woman may be a *sandeket* but only if no suitable *man* is available. If no Jewish *man* or woman is available, a non-Jewish person may serve as a *sandak* or *sandeket*.