Prayers that Require a Minyan

Although it is preferable to join a *minyan* whenever possible, prayer services may be said without a *minyan*. However, certain prayers may be said (or omitted) only with a *minyan* present:

- *Bar'chu* (morning and night),
- The word "*Eloheinu*" in the *birkat ha'mazon* introduction,
- *Kaddish*,
- *Kedusha*,
- Reader's repetition of the *amida*,
- *Sheva brachot* (the seven blessings) at a wedding,
- *Sheva brachot* during the week following the wedding,
- 13 *midot* in *selichot*,
- *Torah* reading if there will be *aliyot*, and
- Skipping the three introductory words for the *shema*.

NOTE A *minyan* is preferable but not required for a circumcision.

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