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Posted by Eerie - 12 Feb 2023 07:47

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Vestu fregen, am I the maven who knows the answer to somebody's problems? No, most of us are not professionals and don't have answers to most issues. But we can find things to post that will let the person know that we are there for him. Encouragement is free, and yet impossible to put a price tag on.

Vestu Fregen, what if what I was going to say was already written by somebody else? If the only point of the post was to be megaleh big chiddushim, then that would be a good question. But that is not the point. The post is your way of telling the guy that you care for him, that your heart is with him, so find something to say to convey that.

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Vestu fregen, isn't hitting the thank you button enough? No. It is not. Yes, it lets the guy know you read his post and you put some thought to it, but he doesn't have an inkling of what's in your heart until you write it

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i definitely agree that people should be more open and post more	
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Re: Why don't more people post? Posted by Shmuel - 12 Feb 2023 15:25	
It seems that around 50 percent of ACTIVE users comment REGULARLY.	
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Re: Why don't more people post? Posted by DavidT - 12 Feb 2023 15:56	

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i think this is a perfect example of what i wrote before ,you ask questions ,but dont want answers

dearest eerie, if you want to take advice from a veteran poster, here it is

when i first joined gye, i wanted to change the WHOLE gye, then i saw that i couldnt change the whole gye, so i decided that i want to change a little part of gye, when i saw that i couldnt change a little part of gye, i decided that let me change sleeepy, and i changed sleeepy, (and you know what? i ended changing the whole gye!) keep it up and keep trucking!

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