

6. HOW TO SHARE 17 HORSES

Three brothers have to divide 17 horses which their father left in the heritage, the oldest of the brothers gets $\frac{1}{2}$ of all horses, middle one $\frac{1}{3}$, and the youngest one $\frac{1}{9}$. They weren't able to divide them like that because 17 is prime which is not divisible by 2, 3 and 9, so brothers borrow neighbor's horse. Since they divided 18 into appropriate parts of the Testament, first one gets 9, the other 6, and the third 2 horses. It is 17 and they returned horse to a neighbor. Is the division conducted properly according to will?