

## Halachos of Daily Living

### Laws related to Berachos

The Chayei Adam (61:4) writes that the *bracha* on cloves is "*borei minei b'samim*". He explains that although cloves are the fruit of a tree and rightfully the *bracha* should be "*Hanosain raiyach tov b'peiros*", nonetheless since cloves are completely inedible, it is inappropriate to refer to them as a fruit. Since cloves do not fit into any of the other categories its *bracha* is "*borei minei b'samim*". The Mishnah Berurah (216:16) cites many *poskim* who support this view. However, the Kitzur Shulchan Aruch (58:7) writes that on cloves one should recite the *bracha* "*borei atzei b'samim*". When there is an uncertainty what *bracha* to recite on a spice, one recites the *bracha* "*borei minei b'samim*" (Shulchan Aruch OC 216:2).