

KRI'A: WHO TEARS

Children and Kri'a

When a parent has died, the children must tear “*kr'ia*,” that is, tearing any garments that they wear during *shiv'a*.

Women and Kri'a

Women do *kri'a*. To avoid exposing her body when tearing, a woman may wait until she is in a private place. After tearing, she might need to pin the torn area closed for *tzni'ut* (modest attire).