RAPES - MADE INTO RAISINS

Not all of the grapes were taken to the winepress. Some of them were taken to the homes. They were washed very carefully. Then they were put in olive oil and lye. This made the grapes softer and kept the insects away. Now the grapes were taken up to the roof of the home. They were spread out on the roof in the hot sun. The mother in the family watched the grapes very carefully. Once in a while she asked the children to turn the grapes. The grapes were drying.

The grapes were changing into raisins.

People in Israel like raisins because they were light to carry and they were very good to eat. Raisins were taken whenever the people went on a journey. Shepherds carried raisins for lunch. Soldiers carried them too.

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