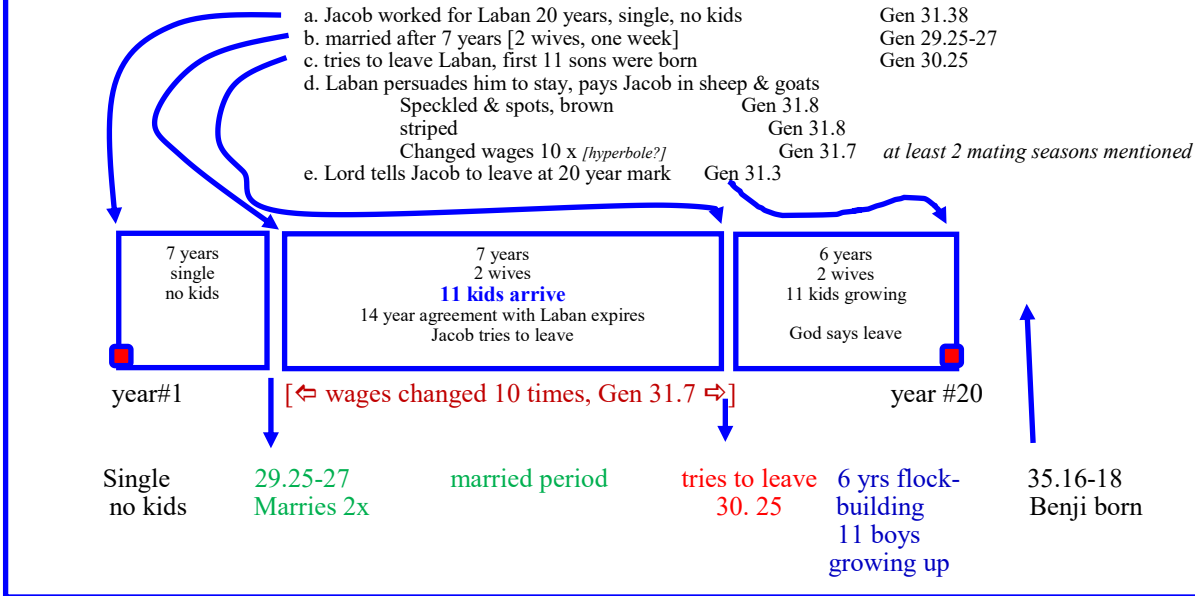


# How do we explain the birth of Jacob's 11 boys being born in a 7-year period?

**✓ OBSERVATION, EXERCISE #2**

How old was Reuben, Joseph's oldest brother, when Joseph was sold [Gen 37.2] at age 17? \_\_\_\_\_



**Conclusion:**  
 4 women gave birth to 11 boys in the space of 7 years.  
  
 Jacob worked for Laban for 20 years.  
  
 Were all 11 boys were ready to leave at the end of Jacob's 14 year stint with Laban?  
*Gen 30.25*