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7		Weather shamans	
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3	Lice	Seth—earth god	This little, insignificant creature now rose from the earth to torture the people. All the prayers to Seth didn't help, and lice is born of earth.
4	Flies	Beelzebub—prince of the air	Flies were always around and considered ears of Beelzebub. Now they were attacking in droves, driving the people crazy and their priests could not stop it. The fact that they didn't attack the Hebrews set them apart as holy.
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