

7. A Loan and a Partnership in the Manufacture of Glassware  
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Since this is a rather complicated document, a preliminary summary may be welcome.

1. (a) Abū Sa'd, the glassmaker, gives Abū Sahl a loan of 10 dinars for the duration of one year.
- (b) As a collateral, Abū Sahl hands over to Abū Sa'd four documents certifying his ownership of a house.
2. Concurrently, the two engage in a partnership for the manufacture of glassware for the duration of six and a half months on these conditions:
  - (a) The capital of 20 dinars for the acquisition of raw material is provided by Abū Sa'd.
  - (b) He will work two days a week, Abū Sahl the rest.
  - (c) Expenditure on fuel, <sup>hired help? (hired hands)</sup> working hands, and other items will be borne by <sup>both</sup> the two in equal shares.
  - (d) Whenever one of the partners takes out money for private expenses, the same sum will be given to the other partner.
  - (e) At the termination of the partnership the profit will be divided in equal shares.
  - (f) The partners undertake to act in everything with complete faithfulness.
3. From the profit accruing to Abū Sahl, he has first to pay back his loan to Abū Sa'd.
4. In case no profit has been made, Abū Sahl has to pay back the loan a year after the date of the conclusion of the partnership out of

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