## Ivrit bkalut

# Hebrew is easy 

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Pages dedicated to Dana I. and all my Israeli and Jewish friends (Ilan, Danny, ...)

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## 1/ PRONUNCIATION

Ancient Hebrew (Hebrew spoken by Moses and Abraham) had certainly a pronunciation close to modern Arabic, ie full of guttural and emphatic sounds. Modern Hebrew has lost almost all these hard sounds and we often say it has a 'European' pronunciation.
-Ashkenazi Hebrew really sounds like a European language (German). 'Alef has no sound. "ayin represents a simple stop. Resh is pronounced French (Parisian) or German 'r'. Qof and Kaf sounds like a regular ' $k$ '. Khaf and Het are pronounced like German 'ch' (as in Bach) or Spanish 'j' (as in hijo). He is often not pronounced or sounds like a regular Alef.
-Sepharadi Hebrew has a pronunciation closer to Ancient Hebrew and to nowadays Middle East Arabic. 'Alef is a full glottal stop. "ayin is pronounced with the throat (like the initial sound of Arabic "omar). Resh is rolled like Spanish or Italian 'r'. Qof and Kaf, Khaf and Het sound different. He is clearly pronounced. A dotted consonant sounds different (thus d with a dot sounds like English ' th' of that, not like d of David).

Because of HTML limitations I will write Hebrew by means of Latin alphabet. This is a simple but efficient phonetic transcription. We'll use the following letters: ', B, V, G, D, H, W, Z, KH, T, Y, K, L, M, N, S, ", P, F, TS, R, SH, A, E, I, O, U.

In order to have a rather good and modern pronunciation just remember that basically all vowels and consonnants sound like in Spanish, Italian or German (not English). SH and H sound like English short and hat. KH sounds like Arabic 'kh' (Khartum), Spanish 'j' (Juan, hijo), or Scottish \& German 'ch' (Loch, Bach). R can be pronounced the Spanish, Italian, French or German way. It is not an English or American 'r'! TS as in tsetse. ' ('alef) is generally silent. " ("ayin) can be pronounced as a glottal stop when it is in the middle of a word (example: nosa"at (go) must be pronounced [nosa-at], not *[nosat]). Otherwise, at the beginning or the end of a word you can forget it. Vowels are: A as in bus; $\mathbf{E}$ as in get; I as Israel; $\mathbf{O}$ as in sword; $\mathbf{U}$ as in tool.

| Name | "Squared" letters | Cursive letters | Pronunciation |  | Transcription |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Biblical | Israeli |  |
| alef | 8 | 16 | oxclusive glotale | - | - |
| beth | 3 | 2 | b | b | b |
| veth | 2 | 0 | v | v | bh,v |
| gimel | 2 2 | $c$ | g.gh | g | 8 |
| daleth | T7 | 9 | d,dh | d | d |
| hé | $\pi$ | ภ) | h aspirè (laryngal) | h | h |
| vav | 1 | 1 | $w$ | v | w, v |
| zayin | $i$ | 3 | $z$ | z | $z$ |
| beth | $\pi$ | $n$ | b pharyngal | b/kh | b) |
| tet | $v$ | $C$ | $t$ emphatique | t | 1 |
| yod | , | , | y | y | $y$ |
| kaf | $כ$ | 2 | $k$ palatal | k | $k$ |


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|  |  |  | Biblical | Israeli |  |
| khaf | 72 | $\overline{7}$ | kh palaal | kh | kh |
| lamed | 7 | $\delta$ | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| mem | ロロ | DN | m | m | m |
| nun | 12 | $1)$ | $n$ | n | 0 |
| samekh | 0 | 0 | s | 5 | \$ |
| 'ayin | $y$ | $\gamma$ | pilaryngale fricalive | - | - |
| pé | 9 | $\bigcirc$ | p | p | p |
| fe | 72 | 80 | I | $f$ | ph.f |
| tsudit | $Y$ צ |  | \$ empliatique | ts | 8 is |
| qoi' | $P$ | 1 | $k$ emptaiaque | k | 4 |
| resh | 7 | 7 | t | $r$ | T |
| shin | $\underbrace{\prime}$ | Q' | ch framsais | sh | 8,sh |
| $\sin$ | b | ' 2 | 8 lateral | $s$ | 8 |
| tav | $n \pi$ | $\rho$ | t,thenglas | t | t |

NB1: The word "alphabet" comes from the 2 first Hebrew letters, Alef and Beth. Surprisingly enough, Hebrew alphabet is related to ours. This ancient relationship is still visible nowadays: look at Qof (Q) or Resh (R) after an axial symmetry for instance!! Take squared Shin, make a $90^{\circ}$ rotation and with a Ittle imagination you'll get Greek Sigma which became our S .

NB2: A dot in Veth (V aka BH) turns it into a Beth (B). Likewise, a dot in Khaf (KH) turns it into a Kaf (K), and a dot in Fe (F aka $P H$ ) turns it into a $\mathrm{Pe}(\mathrm{P})$. My way to remember it is to say the dot removes the $H: B H(V)->B, K H->K, P H(F)-$ $>P$. In a regular text these dots are never written.

NB3: Gimel, Daleth or Tav without a dot were used to write different sounds still existing in Arabic and in Yemeni Hebrew for instance (GH, DH and TH). The usual pronunciation is G, D and T with or without the dot (which is, in any case, never written!)

NB4: Shin (SH) and Sin (S) are the same letter. Shin has a dot on its right (generally not written). Sin has a dot on its left.

NB5: Khaf (KH), Mem (M), Nun (N) and Tsadi (TS) have two shapes each: one when the letter is inside a word (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ shape in the table) and one when the letter is at the end of a word ( $1^{\text {st }}$ shape in the table).

NB6: Kaf (K) and Qof (Q) used to represent two different sounds: regular $K$ and maybe emphatic $K$. Nowadays there is no difference in pronunciation between these letters and we'll transcribe both of them as K. Same story with Sin and Samekh, Tet and Tav.

NB7: Hebrew is written from right to left (I thought this one was important to mention...!)
It is important to mention that in Hebrew, like in Arabic and Syriac, only consonants (and Y and W) are written. This is certainly due to the fact that all Semitic words are based on a consonant root. Therefore, it is difficult for a beginner to read a text in Hebrew since to read a text you need to know the vowels of all the words... Even worse: in some cases only the context will help you to put an end to the ambiguity. Yesh lekha khatul (he has a cat) and Yesh lakh khatul (she has a cat) are written exactly the same way...

Here is an example of a text in modern Hebrew, taken from an Israeli magazine (it's about Ben Affleck...)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { התואר "כוכב" לא עושדה עליו רושם ("הכל זמני בהוליווד"); הוא לא אוהב להתאמץ }
\end{aligned}
$$

אפלק, שיש לו כבר אוסקר אחד בארון והוא לא מפסיק לעבוד • ועוד לא אמרנו מילה על
החבר הני טוב שלו

Fortunately, in textbooks for students and books for children a system of vocalization is used. It is, in my opinion, not perfect, but it helps a lot to read accurately any text. Here it is:


Here is an example of a vocalized text in modern hebrew (it's about Winnie the Pooh ...)

## 2/ VOCABULARY-EXPRESSIONS

(Hebrew-English-French)
Shalom = peace, hi = paix, bonjour
Ken = yes = oui

Lo = no = non

Boker tov = good morning = bonjour (le matin)
Tsahoraim tovim = good afternoon = bonjour (l'après-midi)
'Erev tov = good evening = bonsoir
Laila tov = good night = bonne nuit
Shabbat shalom = Shabbat of peace (on Friday evening) = Shabbat de paix (le Vendr. soir)

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Nim 'as li = I'm fed up = j'en ai marre

## Adjectives (only masculine forms are given)

| Katan $=$ little, small $=$ petit | "asuk = busy = occupé |
| :---: | :---: |
| Gadol = big, large, great = grand, gros | Gamur $=$ finished $=$ terminé |
| Me"anyen = interesting = intéressant | Muzar = weird $=$ bizarre, mystérieux |
| Gavoha = tall, high = grand, haut | Meshune $=$ strange $=$ étrange |
| Moshekh = attractive $=$ attirant | "ani $=$ poor $=$ pauvre |
| Eleganti $=$ elegant $=$ élégant | Yakhid $=$ unique $=$ unique |
| Tov = good $=$ bon | Raze $=$ skinny $=$ maigre |
| Ra" = bad = mauvais | Nadiv $=$ generous $=$ généreux |
| Ragil $=$ ordinary $\boldsymbol{=}$ ordinaire | Khazak = strong = fort |
| Mushlam = perfect $=$ parfait | Tsa"ir = young = jeune |
| "aliz = gay = gai/gay | Ro"esh = noisy = bruyant |
| Kaved= heavy = lourd | Kashe = difficult, hard = difficile |
| Khamud $=$ cute $=$ mignon | Savir $=$ sensible $\boldsymbol{=}$ sensible |
| Ge'e = proud $=$ fier | Tipesh $=$ stupid $=$ stupide |
| Nehedar $=$ magnificent $\boldsymbol{=}$ maginfique | Samikh $=$ thin $=$ fin |
| Tari $=$ fresh (food) $=$ frais | Nasuy = married = marié |
| "atslan = lazy = fainéant | Nehedar $=$ wonderful $=$ merveilleux |
| Yafe = pretty, beautiful = joli, beau | Kereakh $=$ bald $=$ chauve |
| "ashir = rich = riche | Khole $=$ sick $=$ malade |
| Rakh = soft = doux | Zol = cheap = pas cher |
| Ta"im = delicious = délicieux | Kal = easy = facile |
| Arokh $=$ long $=$ long | Tsame = thirsty = assoiffé |
| Yakar = dear, expensive= cher | Ayom $=$ terrible $=$ terrible |
| Khakham = wise = sage, savant | Tsar = narrow $=$ étroit |
| Kehe = dark $=$ sombre | Mekho"ar = ugly = laid |


| Retsini $=$ serious $\boldsymbol{=}$ sérieux | Shavur = broken $=$ cassé |
| :---: | :---: |
| "atsbani $=$ nervous= nerveux | Katsar = short, brief = court, bref |
| Ko"es = angry = en colère | Kafu $=$ frozen $=$ gelé |
| Naki $=$ clean $=$ propre | Pir'i = wild = sauvage |
| Khadash = new $=$ neuf, nouveau | Me"unan = cloudy = nuageux |
| Yashar = straight, honest $\boldsymbol{=}$ honnête | Kal = light = léger |
| Sha'aftan = ambitious = ambitieux | Yashev = dry = sec |
| Ken $=$ sincere $\boldsymbol{=}$ sincère | Shavir $=$ fragile $=$ fragile |
| Mishtokek le'ahavim = amorous = amoureux | Ragish $=$ tender $=$ tendre |
| Bari' = healthy = en bonne santé | Amits $=$ brave $=$ courageux |
| Enokhi $=$ selfish $=$ égoïste | Metoraf = crazy = fou |
| Levad $=$ alone $=$ seul | Barur $=$ obvious $=$ évident |
| Batuakh = safe = sûr | Ratuv = wet = mouillé |
| Melukhlakh = dirty = sale | lti $=$ slow $=$ lent |
| "ayef $=$ tired $=$ fatigué | Meruba" = square = carré |
| Normali $=$ normal $=$ normal | Nakhuts $=$ necessary $=$ nécessaire |
| Shone $=$ different $=$ différent | Male' = full = plein |
| Kar = cold $=$ froid | Akhra'i $=$ responsible $=$ responsable |
| Kham = hot = chaud | Tov lev = kind, gentle = gentil |

## Ha-tsva'im= the colors = les couleurs

Adom= red $=$ rouge

Varod= pink = rose
Lavan= white = blanc

Afor= grey = gris

Khum= brown $=$ marron

Shakhor= black $=$ noir

Yarok= green $=$ vert

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Tsahov= yellow = jaune
Kakhol= blue \(=\) bleu
Katom= orange \(=\) orange
Luakh hashana= the calendar = le calendrier
Yom ri'shon= Sunday \(=\) dimanche
Yom sheni= Monday \(=\) Iundi
Yom shlishi= Tuesday \(=\boldsymbol{m a r d i}\)
Yom revi'i= Wednesday \(=\boldsymbol{m e r c r e d i}\)
Yom khamishi= Thursday \(=\) jeudi
Yom shishi= Friday = vendredi
Yom shabbat= Saturday = samedi
Boker= morning \(=\) matin
Akharey hatsahorayim= afternoon = après-midi
Erev= evening = soir
Layla= night \(=\) nuit
Etmol= yesterday = hier
Hayom= today \(=\) aujourd'hui
Makhar= tomorrow = demain
Yanuar, Februar, Merts, April, May, Yuni, Yuli,
Ogust, September, Oktober, November, Detsember
Aviv= spring = printemps
Kayits= summer \(=\) été
Stav= autumn = automne
Khoref= winter = hiver
Ha-mispakha= the family = la famille
Ben= son = fils
Bat= daughter \(=\) fille
Yuladim= children \(=\) enfants
Akh= brother = frère
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Akhot= sister $=$ soeur
Aba= father $=$ père
Ima= mother $=$ mère
Dod= uncle = oncle

Doda= aunt $=$ tante
Saba= grandfather $=$ grand-père
Savta $=$ grandmother $=$ grand-mère

## Key words

| $\mathbf{M i}=$ who $=$ qui | 'Ad ki = till = jusqu'à |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ma = what $=$ quoi | 'Ad asher = till = jusqu'à |
| Eifo $=$ where $=$ où | Me'az she $=$ since $=$ depuis que |
| Le'an = to where = vers où | Mishe = as soon as = dès que |
| Me'ayin = from where = d'où | Ve = and = et (ve needs to be 'glued' to a word; written alone) |
| Matai $=$ when $=$ quand |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}=\mathrm{or}=\mathrm{ou}$ |
| Lama $=$ why = pourquoi |  |
|  | Aval = but = mais |
| Ekh = how = comment |  |
|  | Akh/Ulam/Bram = however = toutefois/cependar |
| Kama $=$ how much/many $=$ combien |  |
|  | She = that = que |
| Eze $=$ which one(s) $=$ lequel, lesquel(le)s |  |
| Eze which one(s) | Mishehu = someone = quelqu'un |
| Ezo $=$ which one (fem) $=$ laquelle |  |
|  | Mashehu = something = quelque chose |
| Lo...lo $=$ neither...nor = ni...ni |  |
|  | Tsarikh she = it is necessary that = il est nécess |
| Yesh = there is/are = il y a Muzar |  |
|  | Muzar she = it is strange that = il est étrange qu |
| Ein $=$ there isn't/aren't = il n'y a pas $\quad$ l |  |
|  | Tov she = it is good that = il est bon que |
| Ish/adam lo = no-one = personne $\quad$ Khaval |  |
|  | Khaval she = it's a pity that = il est dommage qu |
| Lo...klum = no...anythg = ne...rien |  |
|  | Mazal she $=$ it's a chance that $=\boldsymbol{c}$ 'est une chanc |
| Shum $=$ no, none $=$ aucun |  |
|  | Mipne she = because = parce que |
| Beshum makom = nowhere = nulle part |  |
|  | Mishum she = because = parce que |
| Af pa'am = never $=$ jamais |  |
|  | Mikevan she = since, because = puisque |
| Me 'olam lo = never $=$ jamais |  |
|  | Me'akhar she = given that = étant donné que |

Im $k i=$ though $=$ bien que
Af 'al pi she = though = bien que
Kede she $=$ in order to $=$ afin que
lm = if $=\boldsymbol{s i}$
$\mathrm{Ba}=\mathrm{in}=$ dans

Lifney= in front of = devant
Meakhorey= behind = derrière
$\mathrm{Mi}=$ from $=d e$

Al= on = sur

Mitakhat la= under = sous
Kol= all = tout (ex: kol haTmunot=all the pictures)

Ho'il ve = given that = étant donné que

Leakhar she = after that = après que
Lifne she = before that = avant que
Bizman she $=$ at the moment when $=$ au momen
Kefi she = like, as = comme (comparaison)
Kol kakh she $=$ so much that $=$ tellement que
Me'al la= over = par-dessus

Ban= between = entre

Al yad= next to = à côté de
$\mathrm{El}=$ into $=$ dans

## 3/ GRAMMAR

## A/ Personal Pronouns

|  | Feminine | Masculine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Singular (l) | Ani |  |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Singular (Thou) | At | Ata |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Singular (He/she/it) | Hi | Hu |
| First Plural (We) | Aten | Anakhnu |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Plural (You) | Hen | Hem |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Plural (They) |  |  |

These pronouns are used exactly the same way as in English.
In Hebrew the verb 'to be' has no present form. Thus to say "I'm David" you will simply say Ani David (*"I David").

## B/ Personal Suffixes - Declension of nouns and prepositions

A great difference between Hebrew and IndoEuropean languages is that prepositions and nouns can be "conjugated" (declined). Hebrew "declensions" are much easier than in Latin, Greek or Russian, fortunately. They are based on the following endings:

|  | Feminine | Masculine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Singular (I) | -i |  |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Singular (Thou) | -kh | -kha |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Singular (He/she/it) | -a | -0 |
| First Plural (We) |  |  |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Plural (You) | -khen | -khem |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Plural (They) | -an or -hen | -am or -hem |

These endings will be used to express the possession when added to a noun, and also to conjugate prepositions.

Let's see a full example of a noun declension: how to say my uncle, your aunt, our uncles...??
Uncle=dod. Aunt=doda.

|  | Dod (uncle) | Doda (aunt) | Dodim (uncles) | Dodot (aunts) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ sing | Dodi | Dodati | Doday | Dodotay |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing masc | Dodkha | Dodatkha | Dodeykha | Dodoteykha |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing fem | Dodekh | Dodatekh | Dodaykh | Dodotaykh |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ sing masc | Dodo | Dodato | Dodav | Dodotav |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ sing fem | Doda | Dodata | Dodeyha | Dodotey ha |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ plur | Dodenu | Dodatenu | Dodeynu | Dodoteynu |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ plur masc | Dodkhem | Dodatkhem | Dodeykhem | Dodoteykhem |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ plur fem | Dodkhen | Dodatkhen | Dodeykhen | Dodoteykhen |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ plur masc | Dodam | Dodatam | Dodeyhem | Dodoteyhem |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ plur fem | Dodan | Dodatan | Dodeyhen | Dodoteyhen |

(the green suffixes are called 'constructed state' and are explained a bit further)
Thus, our aunts=dodoteynu; my uncle=dodi; his uncles=dodav, etc.

By means of these personal suffixes you can decline a lot of prepositions. Here are some of them:

Shel (of) -> my, your,...

| Sheli (of mine=my-1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ sing) | Shelanu (of ours=our-1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ plur) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Shelkha (of yours=your-2 $^{\text {nd }}$ masc sing) | Shelakhem (of yours=your-2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ masc plur) |
| Shelakh (of yours=your-2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ fem sing) | Shelakhen (of yours=your-2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ fem plur) |
| Shelo (of his=his-3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ masc sing) | Shelahem (of theirs=their-3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ masc plur) |
| Shela (of hers=her-3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ fem sing) | Shelahen (of theirs=their-3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ fem plur) |

This is another way, more colloquial, to express possession. My uncle=dodi or ha dod sheli ("theuncle of mine").

Shel non declined means of: haKhatula shel David ("The-she-cat of David")=David's cat.

L- (to, towards, for) -> to me,...

| Li | Lanu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Lekha | Lakhem |
| Lekh | Lakhen |
| Lo | Lahem |
| La | Lahen |

These forms are very useful to create the verb 'to have' in Hebrew. Actually Hebrew doesn't have any verb 'to have'. We use instead the expression Yesh I- ("there is to..."). Thus I have an uncle will be said yesh li dod. They (masc plur) have a cat is yesh lahem khatul.

The negative form of Yesh I- is Ein I- ("there isn't to..."). I don't have any aunt will be ein li doda.
$B-$ (in) -> in me,...

| Bi | Banu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bekha | Bakhem |
| Bakh | Bakhen |
| Bo | Bahem |



Et (direct object marker) -> me,...

| Oti | Otanu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Otkha | Otkhem |
| Otakh | Otkhen |
| Oto | Otam |
| Ota | Otan |

This is another little word you need to know. Et is a direct object marker. It can be conjugated and thus become English me, you, him, her, us, you, them in I see you, you want us, etc.

Let's take the most telltale example: how to say I love you? To love is ohev for masculine lovers and ohevet for feminine lovers. We have thus 4 ways to say I love you: Male to female => Ani ohev otakh. Male to male => Ani ohev otkha. Female to male => Ani ohevet otkha. Female to female => Ani ohevet otakh.

Further we'll se the other uses of et.

M- (from) -> from me,...

| Mimeni | Mimenu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Mimkha | Mikem |
| Mimekh | Miken |
| Mimenu | Mehem |
| Mimena | Mehen |

This one is marvellously irregular. Be careful!
'im (with) -> with me,...

| Iti | Itanu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Itkha | Itkhem |
|  |  |


| Itakh | Itkhen |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ito | Itam |
| Ita | Itan |

The declension is made by using another form of et.
Go with us will be bo itanu.

Bishvil (for) -> for me,...

| Bishvili | Bishvilenu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bishvilkha | Bishvilkhem |
| Bishvilekh | Bishvilkhen |
| Bishvilo | Bishvilam |
| Bishvila | Bishvilan |

"al (on) -> on me,...

| Alay | Aleynu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Aleykha | Aleykhem |
| Alaykh | Aleykhen |
| Alav | Aleyhem |
| Aleyha | Aleyhen |

Of course this one has many uses. A good example is the famous expression Shalom aleykhem which means Peace on you and which sounds so close to its Arabic counterpart Salem 'alikum!

Beyn (between, among) -> between me,...

| Beyni | Beynenu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Beynkha | Beynekhem |
| Beynekh | Beynekhen |
| Beyno | Beynehem |
|  |  |

Beyna $\quad$ Beynehen

El (to, towards) -> to me,...

| Elay | Eleynu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Eleykha | Eleykhem |
| Elaykh | Eleykhen |
| Elav | Eleyhem |
| Eleyha | Eleyhen |

Lifney (before, in front of) -> in front of me,...

| Lefanay | Lefaneynu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Lefaneykha | Lifneykhem |
| Lefanaykh | Lifneykhen |
| Lefanav | Lifneyhem |
| Lefaneyha | Lifneyhen |

Akharey (after) -> after me,...

| Akharay | Akhareynu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Akhareykha | Akhareykhem |
| Akharaykh | Akhareykhen |
| Akharav | Akhareyhem |
| Akhareyha | Akhareyhen |

Ein (not to be) -> I am not,...

| Eineni / Eini | Einenu |
| :---: | :---: |


| Einkha | Einkhem |
| :---: | :---: |
| Einekh | Einkhen |
| Eino | Einam |
| Eina | Einan |

Kmo (as, like) -> like me,...

| Kamoni / Kemoti | Kamonu / Kemotenu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Kamokha / Kemotkha | Kemokhem / Kemotkhem |
| Kamokh / Kemotekh | Kemokhen / Kemotkhen |
| Kamohu / Kemoto | Kemohem / Kemotam |
| Kamoha / Kemota | Kemohen / Kemotan |

"ad (as far as) -> as far as me,...

| Aday | Adeynu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Adeykha | Adeykhem |
| Adaykh | Adeykhen |
| Adav | Adeyhem |
| Adeyha | Adeyhen |

Bli (without -> without me,...

| Bil'aday | Bil'adeynu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bil'adeykha | Bil'adeykhem |
| Bil'adaykh | Bil'adeykhen |
| Bil'adav | Bil'adeyhem |
| Bil'adeyha | Bil'adeyhen |

(built with bli+'ad)
Example (from a song I really love): Ani lo yekhola bil'adeykha=/ can't live without you.
'atsm (self)-> myself,...

| Atsmi | Atsmenu |
| :---: | :---: |
| Atsmekha | Atsmekhem |
| Atsmekh | Atsmekhen |
| Atsmo | Atsmam |
| Atsma | Atsman |

## C/ Masculine, Feminine, Singular, Plural

Feminine nouns generally end in either $\mathbf{a}$ or $\mathbf{t}$.
The plural endings are generally -im for masculine nouns and -ot for feminine nouns.
Example: dod (uncle), doda (aunt), dodim (uncles), dodot (aunts). It is not always that easy...
The easiest adjectives follow these rules.
Example1: tov (good, masc sing), tova (good, fem sing), tovim (good, masc plur), tovot (good, fem plur).

Example2: gadol (tall, great), gdola, gdolim, gdolot. The a is dropped, be careful!

## D/ Articles - Demonstratives

The definite article is HA in Hebrew. It is always prefixed to a noun. The film is HaSeret.
HA is 'swallowed' by L- (to) and B- (in) to become LA (to the) and BA (in the). For instance, In the morning is BaBoker (and not *BeHaBoker).

Their is no indefinite article. A film is simply Seret.
$\mathrm{Ze}=$ this is (for masc)
Z'ot = this is (for fem)

Now let's have a look at some telltale examples you need to learn ... (be careful, they were chosen on purpose!):

Seret tov ("film good"; film is masc) = a good film
Mis'ada tova ("restaurant good"; restaurant is fem) = a good restaurant

Haseret hakhadash ("the-film the-new") = the new film
Haseret khadash ("the-film new"; 'to be' does not exist in present tenses) = the film is new
Seret khadash ("film new") = a new film

Hakibuts haze ("the-kibbutz the-this is") = this kibbutz
Hatmuna haz'ot me'anyenet ("the-picture the-this is interesting") = this picture is interesting
Hasimla hatsehuba haz'ot ("the-dress the-yellow the-this is") = this yellow dress

## E/ Construct state

A construct state characterizes a group of two nouns in which the second noun determines the first one without any preposition.

Example: mits tapuzim ("juice oranges")= orange juice
At fem-sing and masc-plur the end of the first word is modified. At fem-plur and masc-sing there are no changes.

Fem-sing $A$ becomes $A T$
Masc-plur IM becomes EI
Example1: uga (fem-sing)=cake => ugat shokolad=a chocolate cake
Example2: tapuzim (masc-plur)=oranges => tapuzei Isra'el=oranges from Israel
It is interesting to say that the $\boldsymbol{- A T}$ ending shows us a very primitive stage of the Hebrew language. Uga (cake), written with a final silent -H , was certainly prounounced *Ugat thousands of years ago. Then the final -T disappeared and its ghost reappears only in the construct state!

Use of the definite article (The) with the construct state: be careful!!! Ha is used only with the second noun...

Mits tapuzim = (an) orange juice

## Mits hatapuzim = the orange juice

## F/ The numbers

From 1 to 19:

Numbers for feminine words:

1=Akhat, 2=Shtaim (Shtey in construct state), 3=Shalosh, 4=Arba", 5=Khamesh, 6=Shesh, 7=Sheva", 8=Shmone, 9=Tesha", 10="Eser

11=Akhat "esre, 12=Shtem "esre, 13=Shlosh "esre, 14=Arba" "esre, 15=Khamesh "esre, 16=Shesh "esre, 17=Shva" "esre, 18=Shmone "esre, 19=Tsha" "esre

Numbers for masculine words:

1=Ekhad, 2=Shnaim (Shney in construct state), 3=Shlosha, 4=Arba"a, 5=Khamisha, 6=Shisha, 7=Shiv"a, 8=Shmona, 9=Tish"a, 10="Asara

11=Akhad "asar, 12=Shnem "asar, 13=Shlosha "asar, 14=Arba"a "asar, 15=Khamisha "asar, 16=Shisha "asar, 17=Shiv"a "asar, 18=Shmona "asar, 19=Tish"a "asar

## From 20 to 90 :

20="Esrim, 30=Shloshim, 40=Arba"im, 50=Khamishim, 60=Shishim, 70=Shiv"im, 80=Shmonim, 90=Tish"im

From 100 to 900:

100=Me'a, 200=Mataim, 300=Shlosh me'ot, 400=Arba" me'ot, 500=Khamesh me'ot, 600=Shesh me'ot, 700=Shva" me'ot, 800=Shmone me'ot, 900=Tsha" me'ot

From 1000 to 10000 :

1000=Elef, 2000=Alpaim, 3000=Shloshet alafim, 4000=Arba"at alafim, 5000=Khameshet alafim, 6000=Sheshet alafim, 7000=Shiv"at alafim, 8000=Shmonat alafim, 9000=Tish"at alafim, 10000="Aseret alafim

## How to use these numbers?

-The feminine form is used for counting: one, two, three ... is akhat, shtaim, shalosh,...
-The numerals from 1 to 19 agree with their noun. One goes after the noun whereas the other numerals go before it. Two is used in its construct form: Shtaim becomes Shtey and Shnaim becomes Shney.

Examples:
Counting pictures: Tmuna (picture, photo; feminine noun): tmuna akhat, shtey tmunot, shalosh tmunot, arba" tmunot, etc

Counting teachers: More (teacher, masculine noun): more ekhad, shney morim, shlosha morim,
arba"a morim, etc.

- the numerals up to 99 are made by connecting tens and units with ve (and). Twenty-six is "esrim veshesh (feminine) and "esrim veshisha (masculine). In these compounds One does not follow the noun anymore and Two is in its usual form (no construct state).
- Greater numbers are made starting from the higher units, adding ve (and) before the last member. 1225 is Elef mataim "esrim vekhamesh (1000 20020 and5).


## Ordinal numbers:

Ordinal numbers for masculine words:

1st=Rishon, 2nd=Sheni, 3rd=Shlishi, 4th=Rvi"i, 5th=Khamishi, 6th=Shishi, 7th=Shvi"i, 8th=Shmini, 9th=Tshi"i, 10th="Asiri

Ordinal numbers for feminine words:

1st=Rishona, 2nd=Shenit, 3rd=Shlishit, 4th=Rvi"it, 5th=Khamishit, 6th=Shishit, 7th=Shvi"it, 8th=Shminit, 9th=Tshi"it, 10th="Asirit

## G/ Some expressions

## Very

Me'od= very
Ex: dvarim me'anyenet me'od ("things interesting very")=things very interesting

## That

She (pronounced as in Sherry)= that
Ex: Ata khosev she ha-kneset ptukha ("you think that the-parliament open")=you think that the parliament is open

## Age

Ben kama hu? ("son how many he?")= How old is he?
Bat kama hi? ("daughter how many she?")= How old is she?
Hu ben X ("he son X ") $=$ He is $X$ years old

Hi bat $X$ ("she daughter $X$ ")= She is $X$ years old
Ani ben $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{l}$ 'm $X$ years old

## There is/are...There is/are no

Yesh = There is, There are
Ein $=$ There is no, There are no
Ex1: Yesh malon al-yad Qumran ("there's hotel near Qumran")=there is a hotel near Qumran
Ex2: Ein malon beQumran ("there's no hotel in-Qumran")=there is no hotel in Qumran
We have already seen Yesh and Ein in the expression Yesh L- / Ein L- (to have, not to have)

## Where?

Eifo $=$ Where (for static things=locative)
Le'an = Where (to where=directive)
Me'ayin $=$ From where

## Et-The direct Object marker

We have already seen the declension of this little word to express me, him, us, etc.
Et is only used to mark a definite noun (ie preceded by HA=the), otherwise it is not used.
Example: Kakh kise ("take chair")=take a chair. "a chair" is direct object of "take". No et needed because it is indefinite.

But: Kakh et hakise ("take et the-chair")=take the chair. "the chair" needs et to become direct object of "take" because it is definite (by HA).

## More than

Yoter mi...=more than...
Ex: Hu yoter tov mimeni ("he more good than me")=He's better than me

Yoter...=more...
Ex: Yoter kham ("more warm")=warmer

## The most

Haki...=the most...
Ex: hayom haki kham ("the-day the most warm")=the warmest day
Also:
Beyoter...=the most...
The noun and the adjective mus be preceded by HA (the).
Ex: hamakom hayafe beyoter ("the-place the-beautiful most")=the most beautiful place

As...as
Kmo...= as...as / like

## 4/ CONJUGATION

Don't forget...

| Feminine | Masculine |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ani (I) | Ani (l) |
| At (thou) | Ata (thou) |
| Hi (she) | Hu (he) |
| Anakhnu (we) | Anakhnu (we) |
| Aten (you) | Atem (you) |
| Hen (they) | Hem (they) |

Hebrew has basically 3 tenses: present, past and future, one imperative and one infinitive. First of all I will introduce these forms in a theoretical way. Afterwards we'll see many examples to illustrate which is certainly the most complex part of Hebrew.

NB1: English one in "one thinks that" (also "we", "people",...) is rendered in Hebrew by means of
the $3^{\text {rd }}$ plural without any pronoun.
Example: ba'im mikol ha'olam ("come-3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ plur from-all the-world")=people come from all over the world

NB2: Lo=no is used to negate a verb.

## Example: Ani roked=I dance, I'm dancing. Ani lo roked=I don't dance, I'm not dancing.

It is important at this point to mention that most Hebrew verbs and nouns have a recognizable root (Arabic and the other Semitic languages share with Hebrew this original feature). By means of vowels and consonants added to these roots new words are created. We can say consonants are the bones of Hebrew words while vowels are their flesh.

Example: the root L-M-D is related to the notion of study. Lomed=/ study. Limud=a study. Talmid=a student...

Likewise, the different conjugations will be formed by means of vowels and consonants added to a root. For example, D-B-R is related to the notion of speak. Medaber=I speak. Dibarti=I spoke.
Adaber=l shall speak. Ledaber=to speak...

## A/ Present

This tense is also called 'aorist' (cf Greek). It is formed by using the participle of the verb. It only has 4 forms: masc-sing, masc-plur, fem-sing, fem-plur. The possible forms are:

|  | Feminine | Masculine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Singular | $-\mathrm{a} /$-at/-et | No suffix/-e |
| Plural | -ot | -im |

Ex: Ani rotse (I-masc want), Ani rotsa (I-fem want), Anakhnu rotsim (We-masc want), Anakhnu rotsot (We-fem want).

Ex: At medaberet (You-fem-sing speak), Hem medabrim (They-masc speak), etc.
The suffixes are very similar to the ones used with nouns and adjectives.

## B/ Past

This tense is also called 'remotive'. Personal pronouns are optional (except for he, 'hu' and she, 'hi'). This is due to the fact that suffixes indicate clearly the person, the gender and the number.

The suffixes are:

|  |  | Feminine | Masculine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Singular | 1(I) | ..ti |  |
|  | 2 (Thou) | ...t | ...ta |
|  | 3 (He, she) | ...a |  |
| Plural | 1(We) | ...nu |  |
|  | 2 (You) | ...ten | ...tem |
|  | 3 (They) | $\ldots$ |  |

## C/ Future

It is formed by means of prefixes and suffixes:

|  |  | Feminine | Masculine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Singular | 1(I) | '... |  |
|  | 2 (Thou) | t... ...i | t... |
|  | 3 (He, she) | t... | y... |
| Plural | 1(We) | n... |  |
|  | 2 (You) |  |  |
|  | 3 (They) |  |  |

(the sign ' represents an Aleph)
This tense is also called 'potential'. It is used with a pronoun (which can be omitted).
In the $1^{\text {st }}$ plural it can be translated into "Let's...". Negation will be done by means of 'al, never with lo'.

Example: Nedaber 'im haMore=Let's talk to the teacher.

## D/ Imperative

Unlike many IndoEuropean languages Hebrew has only 3 forms: $2^{\text {nd }}$ masc sing, $2^{\text {nd }}$ fem sing and $2^{\text {nd }}$ plur.
it is like the future without prefixes:
Ex: Ata tikra=you (masc sing) will read => Kra!=Read! (masc sing)

At tikri=you (fem sing) will read => Kri!=Read! (fem sing)
Atem tikru=you (plur) will read => Kru!=Read! (plur)

## E/ Infinitive

It begins in Li, La or Le and contains the root of the verb.
As in English, the inifinitive can be used in front of verbs such as can (yakhol...), to want (rotse...), etc.

Example: Ani rotsa likhyot=l (fem) want to live

## F/ 48 Hebrew verbs fully conjugated

I decided to add to my page the conjugation of 48 very important verbs because I have personally many difficulties to use the general rules since they never tell us which vowels ("the flesh") have to be added to the root. And I don't mention the verbs with unstable roots ...

The order is:
Present: masc-sing, masc-plur, fem-sing, fem-plur
Past and Future: $1^{\text {st }}$ sing, $2^{\text {nd }}$ masc sing, $2^{\text {nd }}$ fem sing, $3^{\text {rd }}$ masc sing, $3^{\text {rd }}$ fem sing, $1^{\text {st }}$ plur, $2^{\text {nd }}$ masc/fem plur, $3^{\text {rd }}$ plur

Imperative: only the existing forms.
Inifintive: is given with its English equivalent

## 1/ To be=lihiot. Root: H-Y-H

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not used | Hayiti | Ehye |
| Not used | Hayita | Tihye |
| Not used | Hayit | Tihyi |
| Not used | Haya | Yihye |
|  | Hayta | Haye |
|  | Hayinu | Nihye |


|  | Hayitem/n | Tihyu | Heyu |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Hayu | Yihyu |  |

2/ To ask=lish'ol. Root: SH-'-L (' transcribes the 'alef; silent at the beginning of a word, it represents a very short glottal stop in the word)

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Sho'el | Sha'alti | Esh'al |
|  |  |  |
| Sho'elet | Sha'alta | Tish'al |
| Sh'al |  |  |
| Sho'alim | Sha'alt | Tish'ali |
| Sho'alot | Sha'al | Yish'al |
|  | Sh'ali |  |
|  | Sha'ala | Tish'al |
|  | Sha'alnu | Nish'al |

## 3/ To believe=leha'amin. Root: '-M-N

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Ma'amin | He'emanti | A'amin |
|  |  |  |
| Ma'amina | He'emanta | Ta'amin |
| Ha'amen |  |  |
| Ma'aminim | He'emant | Ta'amina |
| Ha'amina |  |  |
| Ma'aminot | He'emin | Ya'amin |
|  |  |  |
|  | He'emina | Ta'amin |
|  | He'emanu | Na'amin |


| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Khoshev | Khashavti | Ekhshov |  |
| Khoshevet | Khashavta | Takhshov | Khashov |
| Khoshvim | Khashavt | Takhshvi | Khishvi |
| Khoshvot | Khashav | Yakhshov |  |
|  | Khashva | Takhshov |  |
|  | Khashavnu | Nakhshov |  |
|  | Khashavtem/n | Takhshvu |  |
|  | Khashvu | Yakhshvu |  |

## 5/ To sleep=lishon. Root: Y-SH-N

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yashen | Yashanti | Yshan |  |
| Yeshna | Yashanta | Tishan | Yshan |
| Yeshnim | Yashant | Tishni | Yshni |
| Yeshnot | Yashen | Yishan |  |
|  | Yashna | Tishan |  |
|  | Yashanu | Nishan |  |
|  | Yshantem/n | Tishnu | Yshnu |
|  | Yashnu | Yishnu |  |

6/ To buy=liknot. Root: K-N-H

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kone | Kaniti | Ekne |  |
| Kona | Kanita | Tikne | Kne |
| Konim | Kanit | Tikni | Kni |
|  |  |  |  |


| Konot | Kana | Ykne |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Kanta | Tikne |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Kaninu | Nikne |
|  |  |  |  |
| Knitem/n | Tiknu |
| Yknu |  |
|  |  |  |

7/ To pay=leshalem. Root: SH-L-M

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Meshalem | Shilamti | Ashalem |  |
| Meshalemet | Shilamta | Teshalem | Shalem |
| Meshalmim | Shilamt | Teshalmi | Shalmi |
| Meshalmot | Shilem | Yeshalem |  |
|  | Shilma | Teshalem |  |
|  | Shilamnu | Neshalem |  |
|  | Shilamtem/n | Teshalmu | Shalmu |
|  | Shilmu | Yeshalmu |  |

8/ To work=la"avod. Root: "-V-D (" transcribes the "ayin; silent at the beginning of a word, it represents a glottal stop in the word)

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| "oved | "avadeti | E"evod |
|  |  |  |
| "ovedet | "avadeta | Ta"avod |
| "ovdim | "avadet | Ta"avdi |
| "ovdot | "avad | Ya"avod |
|  | "ivdi |  |
|  | "avda | Ta"avod |
|  | "avadnu | Na"avod |
|  |  |  |
|  | "avadetem/n | Ta"avdu |


|  | "avdu |
| :--- | :---: |

## 9/ To speak=ledaber. Root: D-B-R

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Medaber | Dibarti | Adaber |  |
| Medaberet | Dibarta | Tedaber | Daber |
| Medabrim | Dibart | Tedabri | Dabri |
| Medabrot | Diber | Yedaber |  |
|  | Dibra | Tedaber |  |
|  | Dibarnu | Nedaber |  |
|  | Dibartem/n | Tedabru | Dabru |
|  | Dibru | Yedabru |  |

10/ To read=likro'. Root: K-R-'

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kore' | Kara'ti | Ekra' |  |
| Kore't | Kara'ta | Tikra' | Kra' |
| Kor'im | Kara't | Tikr'i | Kr'i |
| Kor'ot | Kara' | Yikra' |  |
|  | Kar'a | Tikra' |  |
|  | Kara'nu | Nikra' |  |
|  | Kara'tem/n | Tikr'u | Kr'u |
|  | Kar'u | Yikr'u |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

11/ To know=lada"at. Root: Y-D-"


| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Yodea" | Yada"ti | Eda" |
|  |  |  |
| Yoda"at | Yada"ta | Teda" |
| Yod"im | Yada"at | Ted"i |
| Yod"ot | Yada" | Yed"a |
|  | Yade"a | Teda" |
|  | Yada"nu | Neda" |
|  | Yada"tem/n | Ted"u |
|  |  |  |
|  | Yad"u | Yed"u |

12/ To do=la"asot. Root: "-S-H

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| "ose | "asiti | E"ese |  |
| "osa | "asita | Ta"ase | "ase |
| "osim | "asit | Ta"asi | "asi |
| "osot | "asa | Ya"ase |  |
|  | "asta | Ta"ase |  |
|  | "asinu | Na"ase |  |
|  | "asitem/n | Ta"asu | "asu |
|  | "asu | Ya"asu |  |

13/ To drink=lishtot. Root: SH-T-H

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shote | Shatiti | Eshte |  |
| Shota | Shatita | Tishte | Shte |
| Shotim | Shatit | Tishti | Shti |
|  |  |  |  |


| Shotot | Shata | Yishte |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Shatta | Tishte |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Shatinu | Nishte |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shtitem $/ \mathrm{n}$ | Tishtu |  |  |
| Yishtu |  |  |  |
|  | Shtu |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

14/ To eat=le'ekhol. Root: '-KH-L

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Okhel | Akhalti | Okhal |  |
| Okhelet | Akhalta | Ti'khal | Ekhol |
| Okhlim | Akhalt | Ti'khli | Ikhli |
| Okhlot | Akhal | Yi'khal |  |
|  | Akhla | Ti'khal |  |
|  | Akhalnu | Ni'khal |  |
|  | Akhaltem/n | Ti'khlu |  |
|  | Akhlu | Yi'khlu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

15/ To give=latet. Root: N-T-N

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Noten | Natati | Eten |  |
| Notenet | Natata | Titen | Ten |
| Notnim | Natat | Titni | Tni |
| Notnot | Natan | Yiten |  |
|  | Natna | Titen |  |
|  | Natanu | Niten |  |
|  | Natatem/n | Titnu | Tnu |
|  |  |  |  |


|  | Natnu | Yitnu |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |

16/ To see=lir'ot. Root: R-'-H

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ro'e | Ra'iti | Er'e |
| Ro'a | Ra'ita | Tir'e |
| Ro'im | Ra'it | Tir'i |
| Ro'ot | Ra'a | Yir'e |
|  | Ra'ata | R'i |
|  | Ra'inu | Nir'e |

17/ To sing=lashir. Root: SH-Y-R

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shar | Sharti | Ashir |
|  |  |  |
|  | Sharta | Tashir |
| Shir |  |  |
| Sharim | Shart | Tashiri |
| Sharive |  |  |
| Sharot | Shar | Yashir |
|  |  |  |
|  | Shara | Tashir |
|  | Sharnu | Nashir |

18/ To write=likhtov. Root: K-T-V


| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Kotev | Katavti | Ekhtov |
|  |  |  |
| Kotevet | Katavta | Tikhtov |
| Kotvim | Katavt | Tikhtvi |
| Kotvot | Katav | Yikhtov |

19/ To say=lomar. Root: '-M-R

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Omer | Amarti | Omar |
|  |  |  |
| Omeret | Amarta | Ti'mar |
| Emor |  |  |
| Omrim | Amart | Ti'mri |
| Omrot | Amar | Yi'mar |
|  |  |  |
|  | Amra | Ti'mar |
|  | Amarnu | Ni'mar |
|  |  |  |
|  | Amartem $/ \mathrm{n}$ | Ti'mru |
| Imru |  |  |
|  | Amru | Yi'mru |

## 20/ Can=yakhol. Root: Y-KH-L

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yakhol | Yakholti | Ukhal |  |
| Yekhola | Yakholta | Tukhal | Not used |
| Yekholim | Yakholt | Tukhli | Not used |
|  |  |  |  |


| Yekholot | Yakhol | Yukhal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yakhla | Tukhal |
|  | Yakholnu | Nukhal |
|  |  |  |
|  | Yakholtem/n | Tukhlu |
| Not used |  |  |
|  | Yakhlu | Yukhlu |

21/ To live in=lagur. Root: G-W-R

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gar | Garti | Agur |  |
| Gara | Garta | Tagur | Gur |
| Garim | Gart | Taguri | Guri |
| Garot | Gar | Yagur |  |
|  | Gara | Tagur |  |
|  | Garnu | Nagur |  |
|  | Gartem/n | Taguru | Guru |
|  | Garu | Yaguru |  |

22/ To go (walking)=lalekhet. Root: H-L-KH

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Holekh | Halakhti | Elekh |  |
| Holekhet | Halakhta | Telekh | Lekh |
| Holkhim | Halakht | Telkhi | Lekhi |
| Holkhot | Halakh | Yelekh |  |
|  | Halkha | Telekh |  |
|  | Halakhnu | Nelekh |  |
|  | Halakhtem/n | Telkhu | Lekhu |
|  |  |  |  |
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23/ To go (with a vehicle)=linsoa". Root: N-S-"

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nosea" | Nasa"ti | Esa" |  |
| Nosa"at | Nasa"ta | Tisa" | Sa" |
| Nos"im | Nasa"at | Tis"i | S"i |
| Nos"ot | Nasa" | Yisa" |  |
|  | Nas"a | Tisa" |  |
|  | Nas"nu | Nisa" |  |
|  | Nesa"tem/n | Tis"u | S"u |
|  | Nas"u | Yis"u |  |

24/ To want=lirtsot. Root: R-TS-H

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rotse | Ratsiti | Eretse |  |
| Rotsa | Ratsita | Tirtse | Rtse |
| Rotsim | Ratsit | Tirtsi | Rtsi |
| Rostot | Ratsa | Yirtse |  |
|  | Ratsta | Tirtse |  |
|  | Ratsinu | Nirtse |  |
|  | Ratsitem/n | Tirtsu | Rstu |
|  | Ratsu | Yirtsu |  |

25/ To run=laruts. Root: R-W-TS

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rats | Ratsti | Aruts |  |
| Ratsa | Ratsta | Taruts | Ruts |
| Ratsim | Ratst | Tarutsi | Rutsi |
| Ratsot | Rats | Yaruts |  |
|  | Ratsa | Taruts |  |
|  | Ratsnu | Naruts |  |
|  | Ratstem/n | Tarutsu |  |
|  | Ratsu | Yarutsu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

26/ To finish=ligmor. Root: G-M-R

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gomer | Gamarti | Egmor |  |
| Gomeret | Gamarta | Tigmor | Gmor |
| Gomrim | Gamart | Tigmeri | Gimri |
| Gomrot | Gamar | Yigmor |  |
|  | Gamra | Tigmor |  |
|  | Gamarnu | Nigmor |  |
|  | Gamartem/n | Tigmeru | Gimru |
|  | Gamru | Yigmeru |  |

27/ To end/conclude=lesayem. Root: S-Y-M

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mesayem | Siyamti | Asayem |  |
| Mesayemet | Siyamta | Tesayem | Sayem |
|  |  |  |  |


| Mesaymim | Siyamt | Tesaymi | Saymi |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mesaymot | Siyem | Yesayem |  |
|  | Siyma | Tesayem |  |
|  | Siyamnu | Nesayem |  |
|  | Siyamtem/n | Tesaymu | Saymu |
|  | Siymu | Yesaymu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

28/ To draw=letsayer. Root: TS-Y-R

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Metsayer | Tsiyarti | Atsayer |  |
| Metsayeret | Tsiyarta | Tetsayer | Tsayer |
| Metsayrim | Tsiyart | Tetsayri | Tsiyri |
| Metsayrot | Tsiyer | Yetsayer |  |
|  | Tsiyra | Tetsayer |  |
|  | Tsiyarnu | Netsayer |  |
|  | Tsiyartem/n | Tetsayru |  |
|  | Tsiyru | Yetsayru |  |
|  |  |  |  |

29/ To come=lavo'. Root: B-W-'

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ba' | Ba'ti | Avo' |  |
| Ba'a | Ba'ta | Tavo' | Bo' |
| Ba'im | Ba't | Tavo'i | Bo'i |
| Ba'ot | Ba' | Yavo' |  |
|  | Ba'a | Tavo' |  |
|  | Ba'nu | Navo' |  |
|  |  |  |  |


|  | Ba'tem/n | Tavo'u |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bo'u |  |  |
|  | Ba'u | Yavo'u |

30/ To put=lasim. Root: S-Y-M

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sam | Samti | Asim |  |
| Sama | Samta | Tasim | Sim |
| Samim | Samt | Tasimi | Simi |
| Samot | Sam | Yasim |  |
|  | Sama | Tasim |  |
|  | Samnu | Nasim |  |
|  | Samtem/n | Tasimu |  |
|  | Samu | Yasimu |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

31/ To love=le'ehov. Root: '-H-V

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Ohev | Ahavti | Ohav |
|  |  |  |
| Ohevet | Ahavta | Ti'hav |
| Ehav |  |  |
| Ohavim | Ahavt | Ti'havi |
| Ahavi |  |  |
|  | Ahav | Yi'hav |
|  |  |  |
|  | Ahava | Ti'hav |
|  | Ahavnu | Ni'hav |


| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mekabel | Kibalti | Akabel |  |
| Mekabelet | Kibalta | Tekabel | Kabel |
| Mekablim | Kibalt | Tekabli | Kabli |
| Mekablot | Kibel | Yekabel |  |
|  | Kibla | Tekabel |  |
|  | Kibalnu | Nekabel |  |
|  | Kibaltem/n | Tekablu |  |
|  | Kiblu | Yekablu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

33/ To tell/say=lehagid. Root: N-G-D

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Magid | Higadeti | Agid |  |
| Magida | Higadeta | Tagid | Haged |
| Magidim | Higadet | Tagidi | Hagidi |
| Magidot | Higid | Yagid |  |
|  | Higida | Tagid |  |
|  | Higadnu | Nagid |  |
|  | Higadetem/n | Tagidu |  |
|  | Higidu | Yagidu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

## 34/ To open/begin=liftoakh. Root: P-T-KH

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Poteakh | Patakhti | Eftakh |  |
| Potakhat | Patakhta | Tiftakh | Ptakh |
| Potkhim | Patakht | Tiftkhi | Pitkhi |
|  |  |  |  |


| Potkhot | Patakh | Yiftakh |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Patkha | Tiftakh |
|  | Patakhnu | Niftakh |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Patakhtem/n | Tiftkhu |
| Yiftkhu |  |
|  | Pitkhu |  |

35/ To close=lisgor. Root: S-G-R

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Soger | Sagarti | Esgor |
|  |  |  |
| sogeret | Sagarta | Tisgor |
| Sogrim | Sagart | Tisgri |
| Sgor |  |  |
| Sogrot | Sagar | Yisgor |
|  |  |  |
|  | Sagra | Tisgor |
|  | Sagarnu | Nisgor |
|  |  |  |
|  | Sagartem/n | Tisgru |
| Sigru |  |  |
|  | Sagru | Yisgru |

36/ To start=lehatkhil. Root: T-KH-L

| Present | Past | Future |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperative |  |  |
| Matkhil | Hitkhalti | Atkhil |
|  |  |  |
| Matkhila | Hitkhalta | Tatkhil |
| Hatkhel |  |  |
| Matkhilim | Hitkhalt | Tatkhili |
| Matkhilot | Hitkhil | Yatkhil |
|  |  |  |
|  | Hitkhila | Tatkhil |
|  | Hitkhalnu | Natkhil |


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| :---: | :---: | :--- |

37/ To forget=lishkoakh. Root: SH-K-KH

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shokheakh | Shakhakhti | Eshkakh |  |
| Shokhakhat | Shakhakhta | Tishkakh | Shkhakh |
| Shokhekhim | Shakhakht | Tishkkhi | Shikhkhi |
| Shokhekhot | Shakhakh | Yishkakh |  |
|  | Shakhekha | Tishkakh |  |
|  | Shakhakhnu | Nishkakh |  |
|  | Shakhakhtem/n | Tishkkhu |  |
|  | Shakhekhu | Yishkkhu |  |

## 38/ To wait=lekhakot. Root: KH-K-H

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mekhake | Khikiti | Akhake |  |
| Mekhaka | Khikita | Tekhake | Khake |
| Mekhakim | Khikit | Tekhaki | Khaki |
| Mekhakot | Khika | Yekhake |  |
|  | Khikta | Tekhake |  |
|  | Khkinu | Nekhake |  |
|  | Khikitem/n | Tekhaku | Khaku |
|  | Khiku | Yekhaku |  |

39/ To seek/look for=lekhapes. Root: KH-P-S


| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mekhapes | Khipasti | Akhapes |  |
| Mekhapeset | Khipasta | Tekhapes | Khapes |
| Mekhapsim | Khipast | Tekhapsi | Khapsi |
| Mekhapsot | Khipes | Yekhapes |  |
|  | Khipsa | Tekhapes |  |
|  | Khipasnu | Nekhapes |  |
|  | Khipastem/n | Tekhapsu |  |
|  | Khipsu | Yekhapsu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

## 40/ To find=limtso'. Root: M-ST-'

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Motse | Matsa'ti | Emtsa' |  |
| Motse't | Matsa'ta | Timtsa' | Metsa' |
| Mots'im | Matsa't | Timtsi | Mits'i |
| Mots'ot | Matsa' | Yimtsa' |  |
|  | Mats'a | Timtsa' |  |
|  | Matsa'nu | Nimtsa' |  |
|  | Matsa'tem/n | Tims'u | Mits'u |
|  | Mats'u | Yimts'u |  |

## 41/ To kiss=lenashek. Root: N-SH-K

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Menashek | Nishakti | Anashek |  |
| Menasheket | Nishakta | Tenashek | Nashek |
| Menashkim | Nishakt | Tenashki | Nashki |
|  |  |  |  |


| Menashkot | Nishek | Yenashek |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Nishka | Tenashek |
|  |  |  |
|  | Nishaknu | Nenashek |
|  |  |  |
|  | Nishaktem/n | Tenashku |
| Nishku | Yenashku |  |
|  | Nashku |  |

42/ To dance=lirkod. Root: R-K-D

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roked | Rakadeti | Erkod |  |
| Rokedet | Rakadeta | Tirkod | Rekod |
| Rokdim | Rakadet | Tirkdi | Rikdi |
| Rokdot | Rakad | Yirkod |  |
|  | Rakda | Tirkod |  |
|  | Rakadnu | Nirkod |  |
|  | Rakadetem $/ \mathrm{n}$ | Tirkdu |  |
|  | Rakdu | Yirkdu |  |

43/ To smile=lekhayekh. Root: KH-Y-KH

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mekhayekh | Khiyakhti | Akhayekh |  |
| Mekhayekhet | Khiyakhta | Tekhayekh | Khayekh |
| Mekhaykhim | Khiyakht | Tekhaykhi | Khaykhi |
| Mekhaykhot | Khiyekh | Yekhayekh |  |
|  | Khiykha | Tekhayekh |  |
|  | Khiyakhnu | Nekhayekh |  |
|  | Khiyakhtem/n | Tekhaykhu | Khaykhu |
|  |  |  |  |
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| :---: | :---: | :--- |

## 44/ To cry=livkot. Root: B-K-H

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bokhe | Bakhiti | Evke |  |
| Bokha | Bakhita | Tivke | Bekhe |
| Bokhim | Bakhit | Tivki | Bekhi |
| Bokhot | Bakha | Yivke |  |
|  | Bakhta | Tivke |  |
|  | Bakhinu | Nivke |  |
|  | Bakhitem/n | Tivku |  |
|  | Bakhu | Yivku |  |
|  |  |  |  |

45/ To get dressed=lehitlabesh. Root: L-B-SH

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mitlabesh | Hitlabashti | Etlabesh |  |
| Mitlabeshet | Hitlabashta | Titlabesh | Hitlabesh |
| Mitlabshim | Hitlabasht | Titlabshi | Hitlabshi |
| Mitlabshot | Hitlabesh | Yitlabesh |  |
|  | Hitlabsha | Titlabesh |  |
|  | Hitlabashnu | Nitlabesh |  |
|  | Hitlabashtem/n | Titlabshu |  |
|  | Hitlabshu | Yitlabshu |  |


| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mevin | Hevanti | Avin |  |
| Mevina | Hevanta | Tavin | Haven |
| Mevinim | Hevant | Tavini | Havini |
| Mevinot | Hevin | Yavin |  |
|  | Hevina | Tavin |  |
|  | Hevanu | Navin |  |
|  | Hevantem/n | Tavinu |  |
|  | Hevinu | Yavinu |  |
|  |  |  |  |

47/ To send=lishloakh. Root: SH-L-KH

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sholeakh | Shalakhti | Eshlakh |  |
| Sholakhat | Shalakhta | Tishlakh | Shlakh |
| Sholkhim | Shalakht | Tishelkhi | Shilkhi |
| Sholkhot | Shalakh | Yishlakh |  |
|  | Shalkha | Tishlakh |  |
|  | Shalakhnu | Nishlakh |  |
|  | Shalakhtem/n | Tishelkhu | Shilkhu |
|  | Shalkhu | Yishelkhu |  |

48/ To learn/study=lilmod. Root: L-M-D

| Present | Past | Future | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lomed | Lamadeti | Elmad |  |
| Lomedet | Lamadeta | Tilmad | Lemad |
| Lomdim | Lamadet | Tilmedi | Limdi |
|  |  |  |  |




[^0]:    -> Answer: Shabbat shalom umevorakh

