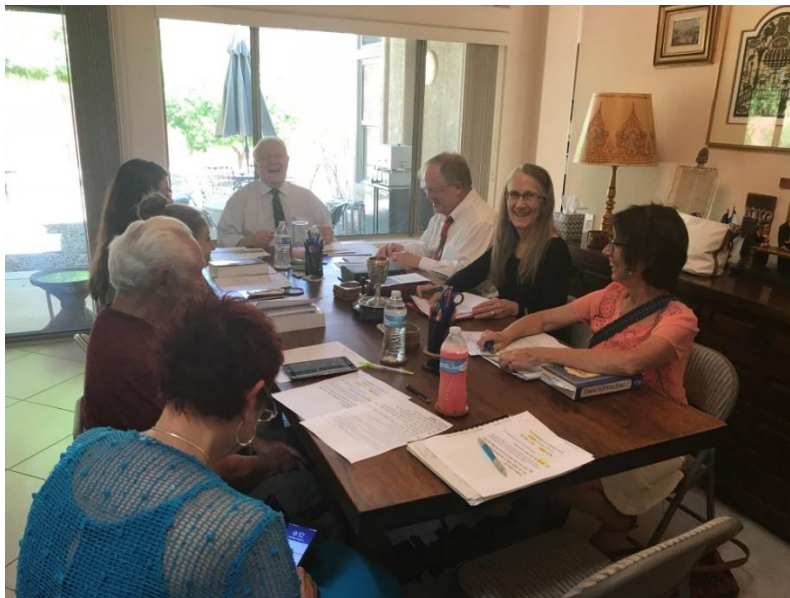


Biblical Hebrew Course 101
– **Boot Camp** –
Lesson 4
שְׁעוֹר 4

Introduce the last consonants + another vowel



Learning Hebrew is fun, stimulating ... & helps increase cognitive skills!

“Study to show yourself approved to God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth of God,” 2Tim 2:15.

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The last consonants (aka letters) + a new vowel (the chirek)

In this lesson, we will:

- Begin to learn the remaining letters in the Hebrew Aleph-Bet.
- Learn the chirek vowel

4.01 Introduce the last consonants (aka letters) of Aleph-Bet + another vowel

1. Read the name of each letter below. (Refer to Sound of Letter column for pronunciation)
2. Do *the hand*: make a fist with your right hand. Point thumb down and say *aleph*. Raise index finger - say *bet*. Lift middle finger - say *gimmel*. Lift ring finger – say *dalet*. And finally lift pinkie – say *hay*



Letters (aka consonants) & Vowels (aka nikkudot נִקּוּדוֹת)

Please note: there are 2 forms of the פּ.

The 1st is פּ (pay, which has a dot) while the 2nd is פ (fay, which has no dot).

(There is also the *fay sofit* ף which has the same sound as the *fay* פּ).

Book Print	Numeric Value	Name of Letter	Sound of Letter	Block (as in English, there are slight variations in the how each person writes a letter)	Write Each Letter
ע	70	ayin	<i>silent</i>	ע	
ט	80	pay (has a dot/dagesh)	p as in pet	פּ	
ט	80	fay (has no dagesh)	f as in far	פ	
ף	80	fay sofit	f as in far	ף	
צ	90	tsade	ts in cats	צ	
ץ	90	tsade sofit	ts in cats	ץ	
ק	100	koof	k in kept	ק	
ר	200	resh	r in ran	ר	
שׂ	300	shin (<i>sheen</i>)	sh in shoe	שׂ	
שׁ	300	sin (<i>seen</i>)	s in set	שׁ	
ת	400	tav	t in top	ת	
Vowel (the aleph is used for illustration purposes.)		Name of vowel	Sound of vowel	Print	Write
א		chirek: חִירֵק	ee in sleep	אֿ	

3. Print each letter. (Copy the Block print below & refer to Aleph-Bet Chart for letter formulation.)

4.03 Practice reading and writing these consonants with the 5 vowels

The last 7 letters (consonants # 16-22) and 5 vowels: patach & kamats, and segol & tsere, and chirek				
Letter	Name	Sound	Block	Write Letter & Vowel
א	ayin	<i>silent</i>	א	
אֵ	ayin with patach	ah as in spa	אֵ	
אִ	ayin with segol	eh as in bed	אִ	
אִי	ayin with tsere	eh as in bed	אִי	
אִי	ayin with chirek	ee as in sleep	אִי	
פ	pay (has a dagesh/dot inside)	p as in pay	פ	
פֵ	pay with a dagesh & kamats	pah	פֵ	
פִ	pay with a dagesh & segol	peh	פִ	
פִי	pay with a dagesh & tsere	peh	פִי	
פִי	pay with a dagesh & chirek	pee	פִי	
פ	fay has no dagesh	fay as in far (פ & ף have the same sound)	פ	
פֵ	fay with kamats	fah	פֵ	
פִ	fay with segol	feh	פִ	
פִי	fay with tsere	feh	פִי	
פִי	fay with chirek	fee	פִי	
ף	fay sofit (final letter of a word)	f as in far (פ & ף have the same sound)	ף	
צ	tzade	ts, in cats	צ	
צֵ	tsade with patach	tsah	צֵ	
צִ	tsade with segol	tseh	צִ	
צִי	tsade with tsere	tseh	צִי	

צ	tsade with chirek	tsee	צ	
ץ	tsade sofit (final letter of a word)	ts in cats (צ & ץ have the same sound)	ץ	
ק	koof	k in keep	ק	
קִ	koof with kamats	kah	קִ	
קֶ	koof with segol	keh	קֶ	
קֶי	koof with tsere	keh	קֶי	
קֶי	koof with chirek	kee	קֶי	
ר	resh	r in ran	ר	
רִ	resh with kamats	rah	רִ	
רֶ	resh with segol	reh	רֶ	
רֶי	resh with tsere	reh	רֶי	
רֶי	resh with chirek	ree	רֶי	
ש	shin (<i>sheen</i>)	sh in shoe	ש	
שִׁ	shin with patach	shah	שִׁ	
שֶׁ	shin with segol	sheh	שֶׁ	
שֶׁי	shin with tsere	sheh	שֶׁי	
שֶׁי	shin with chirek	shee	שֶׁי	
ס	sin (<i>seen</i>)	s in set	ס	
סִ	sin with patach	sah	סִ	
סֶ	sin with segol	seh	סֶ	
סֶי	sin with tsere	seh	סֶי	
סֶי	sin with chirek	see	סֶי	

ת	tav	t in top	ת	
תְּ	tav with kamats	tah	תְּ	
תֵּ	tav with segol	teh	תֵּ	
תֶּ	tav with tsere	teh	תֶּ	
תִּ	tav with chirek	tee	תִּ	

4.04 Let's put these sounds together & read words!

Our objective is to become familiar with the letters and their sounds not to memorize words.

Reminder: How to read Hebrew

1. Hebrew is read right to left and top to bottom. Begin by reading the right-most letter. Then add the vowel that is written below it.
2. For example: with the word אָהָב. Begin by reading the אָ; then add the הָ. We now have אָהָ (ah-ha). Now, we add the ב. Because there is no vowel below this letter, it only has the sound of the consonant. When we put the word altogether we have: אָהָב (ah-hav).



Always remember read: right to left and top to bottom. Also, the accent is generally on the final syllable.

Read & Write words below			
Hebrew	Translation	Transliteration (please, try to read before looking at transliteration)	Practice Writing Each Hebrew Word
1) בַּר	son of (Aramaic word, Bar Mitzvah)	bahr	
2) אֶרֶץ	land	eh-rehtz (note: when a 3 or 4-letter word has 2 segols, the first letter with the segol, gets the accent)	
3) הִנֵּה	behold ('listen up')	hee-neh	
4) אָמֵן	Amen (truly, truth, 'let it be')	ah-mehn	
5) אֶלֶף	1000 (Num 31:7)	eh-lehf (note: when a 3 or 4-letter word has 2 segols, the first letter with the segol, gets the accent)	
6) מָה זֶה	What is this?	Mah zeh	
7) בְּטָח	of course, certainly, for sure, security, safely, securely	beh-tach	
8) פָּאֲרֹן	Paran (Num 13:3)	Pah-rahn	

Click here [Refer to aleph-bet sheet to review the entire aleph-bet.](#)

Hebrew	Translation	Transliteration (please, try to read before looking at transliteration)
1) אָשָׂה	he, or it, did	ah-sah
2) חָזַק	be strong	chah-zahk
3) חָצֵר	permanent (as in settlement)	chah-tzehr
4) צָעַק	cry out	tzah-ahk
5) בָּרָא	he created (Gen 1:1)	bah-rah
6) אָרֶץ	earth or land (Deut 32:13)	ah-rehts

4.05 More practice reading

Today, you read 14 more words!!!

1. Consider taking your lesson with you & review it during lunch.
2. Practice saying all the letters of the aleph-bet using the hand.
3. Read again the Hebrew words in this lesson. (Repetition helps reinforce sounds in our minds.)



4.07 Homework & practice identifying letters & vowels in Genesis 1:1

1. On previous pages, say the letters or words in Hebrew, then write them 5 times. The objective is to commit to memory these letters & vowels.
2. On the Scripture below, please **write the name of the letter above that particular letter & the name of the vowel below the letter**. Do the same for each letter. (Identify *only* the letters & vowels which we have



4.06 Review: How Shall I Study Hebrew?

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth,” Gen 1:1.

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בְּרֵאשִׁית בְּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ:

chirek →

Don't forget to bring your completed homework to class 😊