

Hebrew Step-By-Step

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Packet 2

NEW LETTERS:

ר ה פ ל

NEW VOWELS:

ִ

REVIEW LETTERS:

מ ש ב ת

REVIEW VOWELS:

ֶ ֵ

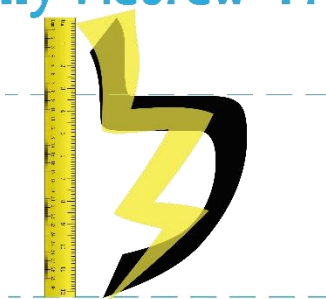
Meet your next letter, the **Lamed**!

ל

Lamed makes the same sound as the English letter

L

Silly Hebrew Trick



Lamed is a **L**ong strike of **L**ightning

Here's the Lamed in several different fonts and handwritings – as you can see, they're all very "**L**ong" (going above the "top line" of most letters) and jagged like **L**ightning!

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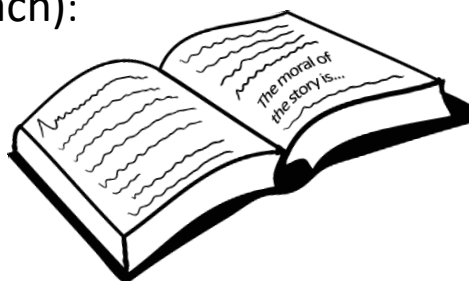
ל ל ל ל ל ל ל ל ל

Circle the **long** part of each **L**amed that goes further up than the other letters!

The first one has been done for you!

Now you can read the Hebrew word for **parable**
(a story with a “moral” to teach):

מנשל



And the Hebrew word for **detective**:



בְּלִישׁ

Almost any letter can get a dot in the middle because of grammar or spelling rules – it doesn't change the sound in the Lamed either!

Read the following Hebrew out loud:

1 ל ל לת לֵש לל למ לב

kneaded
(dough)

2 תַּל לַל בַּל מַל נֶשֶׁל תַּל

shawl

circumcised

un-/non-

3 לֵשׁ בַּל נֶשֶׁתַּל מִנְשָׁל בַּלֵּשׁ

detective

parable

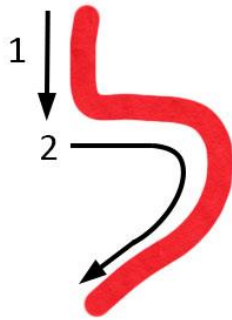
planted

un-/non-

kneaded
(dough)

Writing Practice

Make the letter Lamed with a line and a curve:

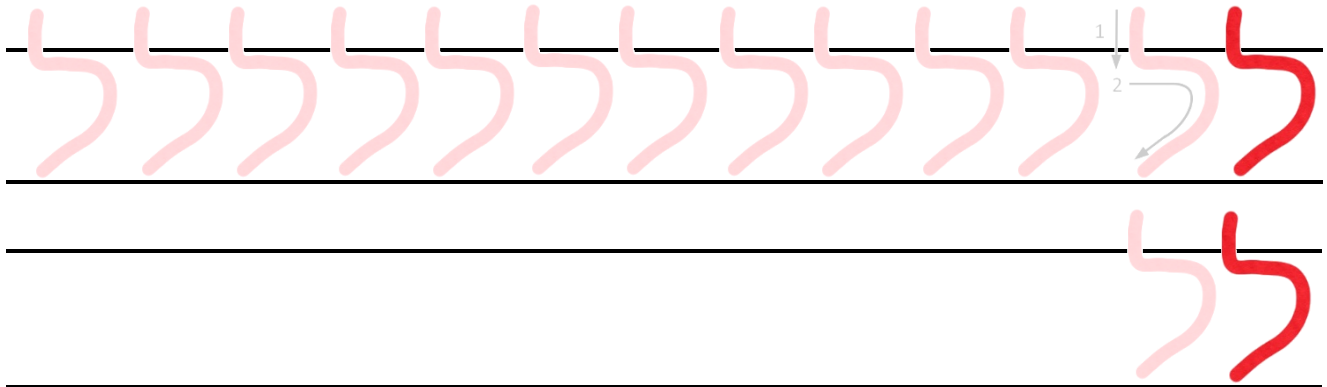


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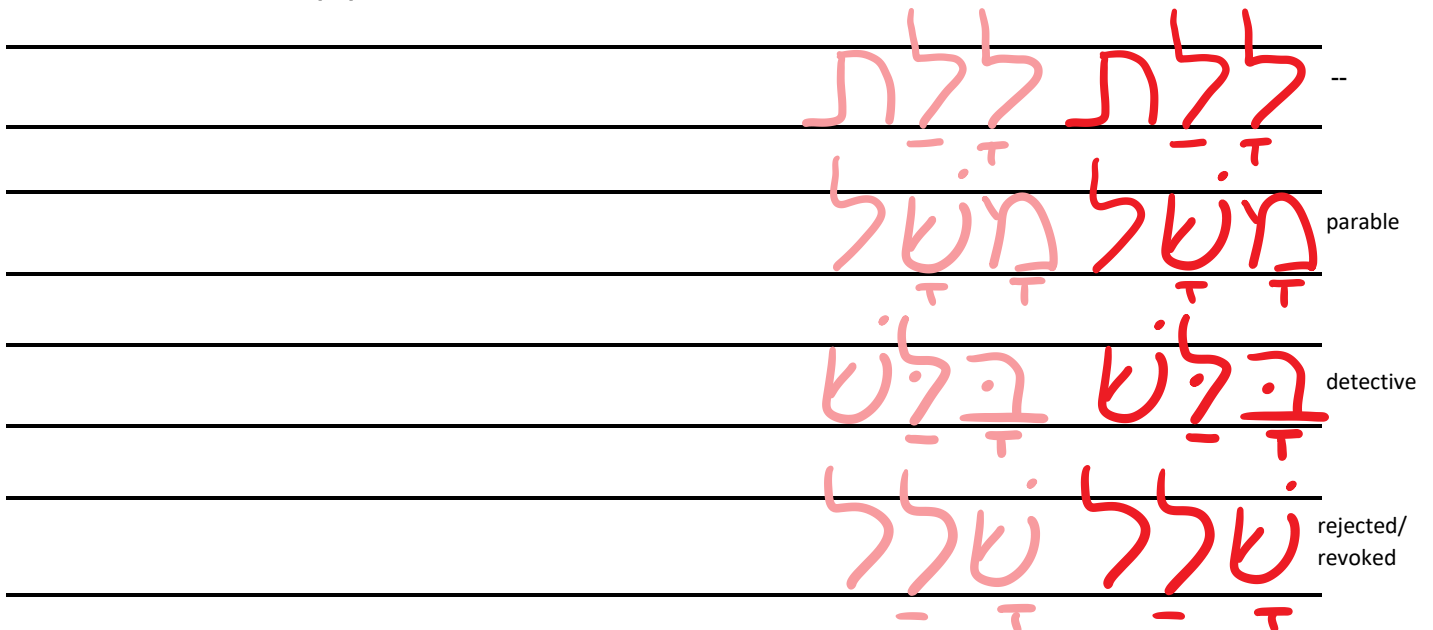


Feel free to use whichever shape is easier for you!

Now you try: trace the letter across the first line, then copy it all the way across the second line on your own!



Copy the words at least **3 times** each:



Read Aloud!

Read the Hebrew below. Lines separate the syllables for you on the top – see if you can figure out the syllables on your own on the bottom!

מִנְשָׁל

parable

1 תִּלְנֶשׁ

detached

לִנְשָׁבֶת

to the Shabbat

2 בִּלְלֶשׁ

mixed/mingled

נִשְׁלָל

rejected/revoked

3 בִּלְנֶשׁ

detective

תִּלְנֶשׁ בִּלְלֶשׁ מִנְשָׁל

detached

mixed/mingled

parable

נִשְׁלָל לִנְשָׁבֶת בִּלְנֶשׁ

detective

to the Shabbat

rejected/revoked

Woohoo! You know enough letters to read a whole page of real words!

Match-A-Rhyme

Read the Hebrew on the right out loud, then the Hebrew on the left.

Match the ones that rhyme within each group!

(For instance, **בַּת** could match to **תַּת**. One's been done for you!)

mixed/mingled

A מַלְשׁ

B תַּלְתַּ

C שִׁמְל

D בַּלְל

E שִׁבַּת

1 נְשָׁלָל

2 בַּלְשׁ

3 לַבַּת

4 לַמַּל

5 מַלְתַּ

rejected/revoked

detective

to the daughter

A מַתְשׁ

B בַּלְתַּ

C בַּלְשׁ

D נְשָׁלָל

E שִׁמְשׁ

1 מַמְשׁ

2 נְשָׁלָל

3 לַתְשׁ

4 לַלְתַּ

5 תַּלְלַ

rejected/revoked

detective

rejected/revoked

helper candle

Are you having a LOT of trouble figuring out what rhymes? Then just read the Hebrew out loud for practice then move on to the next page – only match this page if it's a fun puzzle for you!

Speed Read!

Time yourself reading the Hebrew below out loud at least twice.
What's the best time you can get?

- | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|---|
| תִּלְנֹשׁ | בִּלְלֹ | מִנְשָׁל | 1 |
| detached | mixed/mingled | parable | |
| בִּלְנֹשׁ | לְנִשְׁבַּת | נִשְׁלָל | 2 |
| detective | to the Shabbat | rejected/revoked | |
| נִשְׁתַּל | לְנִשָּׁל | נִשְׁבַּת | 3 |
| planted | to the shawl | | |
| לְנִשְׁבַּת | לְנִשְׁמֵשׁ | בִּלְ | 4 |
| to the daughter | to the helper candle | un-/non- | |
| מִמְנֹשׁ | לְבִלְנֹשׁ | מִתַּת | 5 |
| very/much | to the detective | gift | |
| בִּנְשְׁבַת | בִּמְנִשָּׁל | נִשְׁתַּל | 6 |
| in/on the Shabbat | in the parable | flowed | |

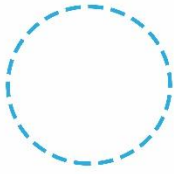
Time Log:

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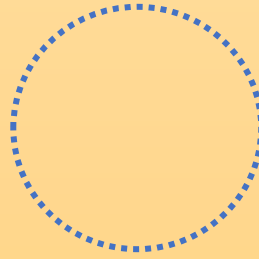
Lesson 6: Sh'va

Silly Hebrew Trick



Sh'va is like a colon:
it says **STOP**

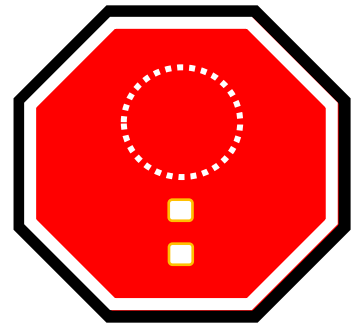
Meet your third vowel, the **Sh'va**:



The **Sh'va** is a **silent vowel**.

In general, the Sh'va makes as little sound as it possibly can.

When it's at the end of a syllable, it's completely silent, acting like a **Stop Sign**.



Try reading these words aloud and underline the **Silent Sh'va**:

3 תְּלַבֵּשׁ

you will be dressed

2 לָשֶׁת

you kneaded

1 שָׁמַתְּ

you assessed

6 בִּלְשֶׁת

you investigated

5 מִשֶּׁת

you moved/departed

4 מִלֶּת

you circumcised

But when it's the first vowel in a syllable, it has to make a little bit of a sound – sort of like a short “i,” as in “little.” When the Sh’va makes this sound, it’s usually represented by an apostrophe (') in the English-letter version of the word – like in its own name, Sh’va!

sh va

Read these words aloud & circle the **Sounded Sh’va**:

בְּשֵׁמֶשׁ 3	בְּשַׁבָּת 2	לִבַּת 1
on a helper candle	in/on Shabbat	to a daughter
מְשֵׁמֶשׁ 6	תִּלְשֵׁ 5	לְשָׁל 4
		to a shawl

The Sh’va also has to make a sound when there are two of them in a row – but 99.9% of the time, **the first one will be a Silent Sh’va, and the second one will be a Sounded Sh’va**. Read the Hebrew below aloud which have both types of Sh’va – break them up into syllables first if that would help you sound them out!

מִלֵּתֶת 1	לְשַׁבָּת 2	בִּלְתֶּת 3
שִׁלְבַּת 4	מִשְׁבַּת 5	לְבִשֶּׁת 6

(You’ll be able to read real words with two Sh’va vowels in a row soon, but you need a few more letters first.)

Reading Strategy:

Prefixes & Prepositions

PREFIX:

A set of letters attached to the beginning of a word that add to or change its meaning.

Many words have a **prefix**, which is a syllable or two that go before a word and which changes or adds to its meaning. Can you find the prefixes in the English words below?

The first one has been done for you as an example!

1 antimatter

2 prewash

3 undo

4 redecorate

5 misguide

6 coworker

In Hebrew, most prefixes are also **prepositions**. See the chart below with two of the most common preposition prefixes you can read so far and what they mean:

PREPOSITION:

A word usually before a noun that expresses its relation to another, such as *in, on, under, over, with, to, from, etc.*

in/on	בְּ-
to	לְ-

Use the chart to match the English on the left to the Hebrew on the right with the same meaning!

(Note: the word "a" doesn't exist in Hebrew, but is necessary for some of the English phrases to make sense.) *One has been done for you!*

A To Shabbat

B On Shabbat

C To a daughter

D On a detective

E To a detective

F To a parable

G In a parable

לְבַת 1

לְבַלֵּשׁ 2

בְּבַלֵּשׁ 3

בְּמַשֵּׁל 4

לְמַשֵּׁל 5

בְּשַׁבָּת 6

לְשַׁבָּת 7



Meet your next letter, the **Kaf**!

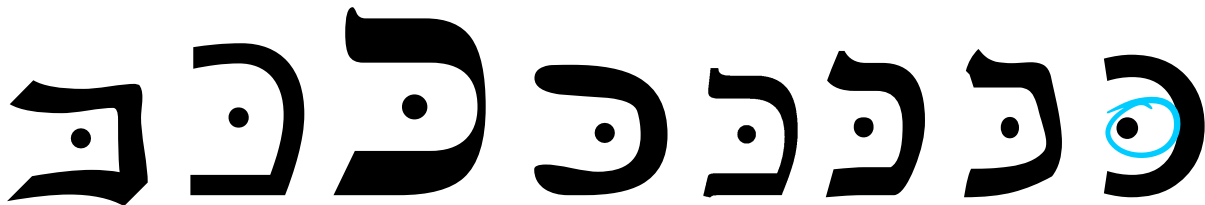


Kaf makes the same sound as the English letters

C or **K**

Lesson 7: Kaf כ

Here's the Kaf in a bunch of different fonts and handwritings – as you can see, they all have that “Cough drop” and look a little like a backwards “C” even if other parts of the letter are slightly different!



Circle the Cough drop in the mouth of each **Kaf**!

The first one has been done for you!

Now you can read another very common **prefix**:

כְּ = “like” (or “as”)

PREFIX:

Syllable(s) attached to the beginning of a word that add to or change its meaning.

So if you had a very peaceful day that felt “like Shabbat,” you would say it felt

כְּשַׁבָּת!

Read the Hebrew phrases below out loud and match them to the English that means the same thing!

(Note: the word “a” doesn’t exist in Hebrew but is necessary for some of the English phrases to make sense.)

A Like a daughter

כְּבִתּוֹן 1

B Like a helper candle

כְּבִתּוֹן 2

C Like Shabbat

כְּמִשְׁלַח 3

D Like a parable

כְּבִלְשׁ 4

E Like a detective

כְּשֹׁמֵר 5

Read Aloud!

Read the Hebrew below. Lines separate the syllables for you on the top
– see if you can figure out the syllables on your own on the bottom!

ת
:

Silent
Sh'va

ת
:

Sounded
Sh'va

כַּבֵּת

like the daughter

כַּת 1

sect/faction

כָּאֵשׁ

tripped/stumbled

כָּלַל 2

included

כָּלָל

general/usual

כָּאֵשׁ 3

withered/dried out

כַּבֵּת

like Shabbat

מַכַּת 4

injury/pain

כָּלַל

included

כַּת

sect/faction

כַּבֵּת 5

like the daughter

כָּאֵשׁ

withered/dried out

מַכַּת

injury/pain

כָּאֵשׁ 6

tripped/stumbled

כַּבֵּת

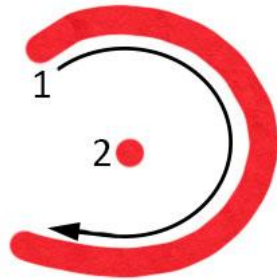
like Shabbat

כָּלָל 7

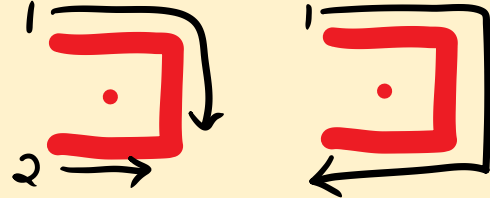
general/usual

Writing Practice

Make the letter Kaf with a curve and a dot:



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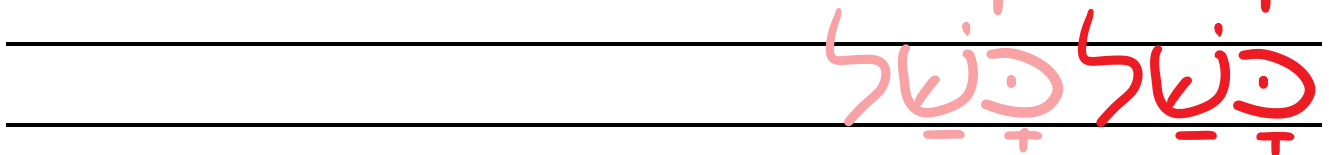
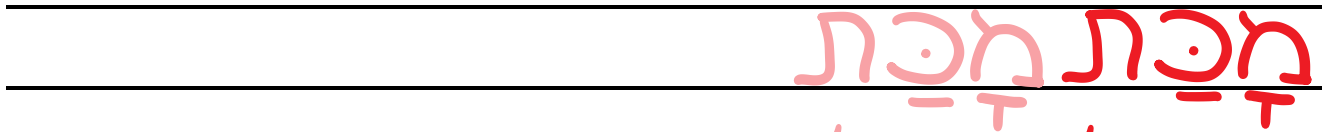


Feel free to use whichever shape is easier for you!

Now you try: trace the letter across the first line, then copy it all the way across the second line on your own!



Copy the words at least **3 times** each:



Lookalike Letters

In the grid of Hebrew letters below,
put a circle around every Kaf and a square around every Bet!




Each row is in a different font – reviewing the Silly Hebrew
Tricks may help you recognize them all!

ש	ב	כ	ת	מ	ל	ב	ת	כ	ב
ת	מ	ב	ל	ת	ב	כ	ב	ת	כ
כ	ב	ש	ב	כ	ת	ח	כ	ב	ת
כ	ת	ב	ש	כ	ל	ב	ת	כ	מ
ת	ב	כ	ת	ת	ב	ש	מ	כ	ב
ב	ש	ת	כ	ח	ת	כ	ב	ת	כ
ת	כ	ב	ת	ב	ש	כ	ת	ב	כ
ב	ת	ת	כ	ב	כ	ת	כ	ח	ב
ב	כ	ב	ע	כ	ת	כ	ב	כ	כ

Reverse It!

Write out Hebrew that sounds the same as the English on the left. The first one has been done for you as an example!

K'BAT	<u>כבת</u>	1
BAKASH	_____	2
MAKAT	_____	3
B'KAL	_____	4
L'MATA	_____	5
BAT'KAL	_____	6
SHAKATA	_____	7
KABALAT	_____	8
K'MASHAL	_____	9

Vowels	Letters
  	ב פ ל מ ש ת

Match-A-Rhyme

Read the Hebrew on the right out loud, then the Hebrew on the left.

Match the ones in each group that rhyme!

(For instance, בַּת could match to תַּת. *One has been done for you!*)

A מַלְל

B כַּתֵּל

C מַבֵּת

D כַּכָּשׁ

E בַּכָּת

כַּבֵּת 1

מַכָּת 2

כַּלֵּל 3

בַּתֵּל 4

לַכָּשׁ 5

like the daughter

injury/pain

general/usual

A כַּשָּׁת

B שַׁכַּל

C לַבֵּת

D בַּכָּת

E לַבָּשׁ

כַּבֵּשׁ 1

לַשָּׁת 2

מַכָּת 3

כַּבֵּת 4

בַּכַּל 5

you kneaded

to a daughter

like a daughter

Are you having a LOT of trouble figuring out what rhymes? Then just read the Hebrew out loud for practice and move on to the next letter – only match this page if it's a fun puzzle for you!



Practice reading the Hebrew below aloud:

1 הֵּה הֵּה הֵּל הֵּה הֵּל הֵּמָּה

2 הֵּבִית הֵּתַל הֵּמָּתָה

she sighed

the daughter

Similar to the H in English, when the Hei comes at the end of a word, it doesn't really make any sound:

cheeta**h** ← silent H silent Hei → **לָהּ** (to her)

3 מָה תַּשָּׁה לָּמָה פִּלָּה

bride

why

she weakened

what

4 שָׁמָּה מִלְּכָה הֵּמָּה פִּתָּה

her sect/faction

he sighed

queen

over there

Of course, if that Hei at the end has its own vowel, then it still makes a sound. Try reading the Hebrew below aloud:

5 תַּמָּה מָלָה בָּהּ

amaze/astound

sounded Hei

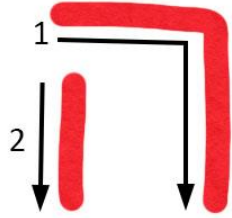
in it

6 שָׁלָה פָּלָה לָהּ

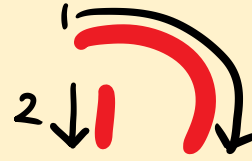
to it

Writing Practice

Make the letter Hei with a corner and a line – be sure to leave a hole between them!

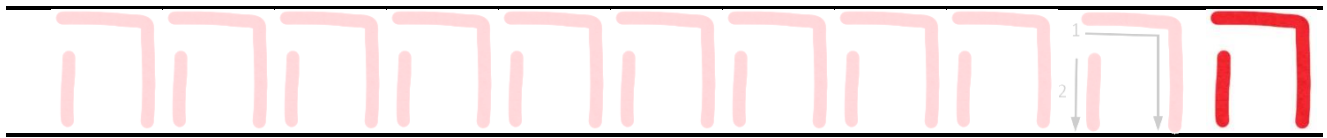


Some people also write Hei like this:



Feel free to use whichever shape is easier for you!

Now you try: trace the letter across the first line, then copy it all the way across the second line on your own!



Copy the words at least **3 times** each:

הַבִּתְּ הַבִּתְּ the daughter

כַּלָּה כַּלָּה bride

הִנָּחַה הִנָּחַה he sighed

הַשַּׁבָּת הַשַּׁבָּת the Shabbat



Now you can read two new Hebrew words
and a new prefix:

Bride	פֶּלָה
Queen	מַלְכָּה
The (prefix)	הַ- / הָ-



Use the chart and the vocabulary you already learned to match
the Hebrew on the right to the English that matches on the left!

One has been done for you!

- | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| A The daughter | בַּת | 1 |
| B A daughter | הַבַּת | 2 |
| C A Shabbat | שִׁמְש | 3 |
| D The Shabbat | הַשִּׁמְש | 4 |
| E A bride | שַׁבָּת | 5 |
| F The bride | הַשַּׁבָּת | 6 |
| G A detective | פֶּלָה | 7 |
| H The detective | הַפֶּלָה | 8 |
| I A helper candle | מַלְכָּה | 9 |
| J The helper candle | הַמַּלְכָּה | 10 |
| K A queen | בֶּלֶשׁ | 11 |
| L The queen | הַבֶּלֶשׁ | 12 |

Preposition Matching

Now that you know the Hebrew word for “queen,” use the prefix chart to match the illustrations to the Hebrew that describes them on the right!

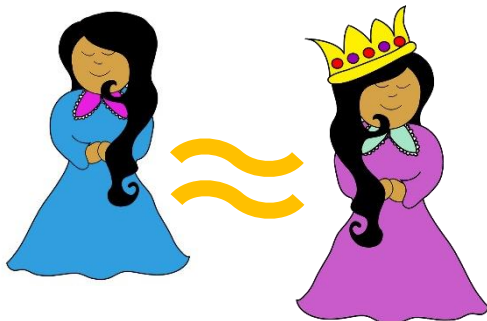
on (or in)	בְּ-
to	לְ-
like	כְּ-



בְּמֶלֶכָּה



בְּמֶלֶכָּה

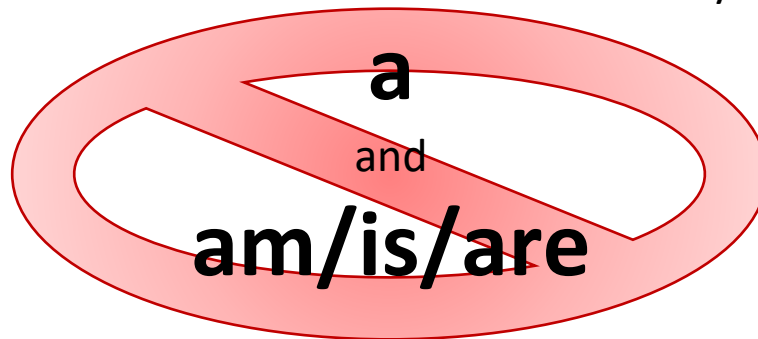


לְמֶלֶכָּה

You can also read two **question words**:

What?	מָה? (mah)
Why?	לָמָה? (lamah)

To understand Hebrew questions, you'll need to know that Hebrew leaves out some words which can easily be assumed:



So

"I am Sarah"	would look like	"I Sarah."
"She is tall"	would look like	"She tall."
"They are here"	would look like	"They here."
"A dog is here"	would look like	"Dog here."
"We are a family"	would look like	"We family."

Match each Hebrew question on the right to the English question that matches it on the left!

One has been done for you!

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|
| A | What is a bride? | מָה שְׂמֵשׁ? 1 |
| B | What is a helper candle? | מָה מְלָכָה? 2 |
| C | Why to a queen? | מָה כֹּלָה? 3 |
| D | What is a queen? | מָה שִׁשְׁבֵּת? 4 |
| E | Why on Shabbat? | לָמָה לְכֹלָה? 5 |
| F | What is Shabbat? | לָמָה בְּשִׁשְׁבֵּת? 6 |
| G | Why to a bride? | לָמָה לְמְלָכָה? 7 |

Read Aloud!

Read the Hebrew below. Lines separate the syllables for you on the top
– see if you can figure out the syllables on your own on the bottom!

הַבִּת

the daughter

מָה 1

what

פִּלָּה

bride

לָמָה 2

why

הַשַּׁבָּת

the Shabbat

הַפִּלָּה 3

the bride

הַפִּלָּה 4

the sect/faction

הַמַּלְכָּה

the queen

הַבִּת 5

the daughter

מָה

what

לָמָה

why

פִּלָּה 6

bride

הַפִּלָּה

the bride

הַמַּלְכָּה

the queen

הַשַּׁבָּת 7

the Shabbat

Hidden Words

Bonus

Some Hebrew poems, such as the song L'cha Dodi, refer to Shabbat as a "bride," because it is the day God and the Jewish people love the most. Below is a simple micrography piece that uses the first line of the L'cha Dodi poem to make a heart. Circle the Hebrew word for "bride" every place you can find it in the picture!



How many times did you find "bride" in the micrography?

Lookalike Letters

In the grid of Hebrew letters below,
put a circle around every **Hei** and a square around every **Tav**!

Each row is in a different font – reviewing the Silly Hebrew Tricks might help you recognize them all!

ה	כ	ת	ב	ת	מ	ת	כ	ה	שׁ
ל	ת	ה	ת	ב	ה	ת	ה	מ	ת
ת	ב	ה	מ	ת	כ	ה	ת	ל	ה
מ	ה	ת	ל	ה	שׁ	ת	ת	כ	כ
ה	ת	מ	שׁ	ה	ת	ת	כ	ה	ת
כ	ת	ה	ה	ת	מ	ת	ת	שׁ	ה
ת	ה	ת	כ	שׁ	ת	ת	ה	מ	ת
ה	מ	ה	ת	כ	ה	ה	ת	ת	ת
ת	ה	ל	ה	שׁ	ת	ה	כ	ת	ה

Speed Read!

Time yourself reading the Hebrew below out loud at least twice.
What's the best time you can get?

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---|
| לָמָּה | כַּלָּה | מָה | 1 |
| why | bride | what | |
| מַלְכָּה | בִּמְה | הַבִּת | 2 |
| queen | stage | the daughter | |
| הָהָד | כַּמָּה הַשַּׁבָּת | כַּמָּה | 3 |
| the echo | the Shabbat | how much/many | |
| לְבַתָּה | מִתַּת הַהָלָה | מִתַּת | 4 |
| to a scrubland (type of desert) | the Shabbat | how much/many | |
| הַמַּלְכָּה | הַכַּלָּה | שָׁמָּה | 5 |
| the queen | the bride | over there | |
| הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ | הַמַּשָּׁל | מָשָׁה | 6 |
| the helper candle | the parable | drew (water) | |

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Meet your next letter, the **Reish**!

Reish makes the same sound as the English letter

R

Reish has a
Rounded
Right-angle corner

Here's the Reish in several different fonts and handwritings – as you can see, they're all a **Right-angle**, and in most fonts with a **Round** corner, even if other parts of the letter are slightly different!

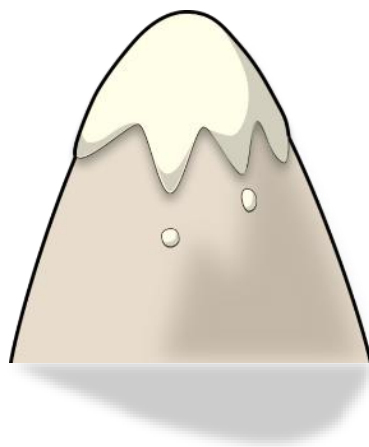
דירדרדרד

הדרדר דרדר

Circle the Right-angle corner in each Reish!

The first one has been done for you!

Now you can read the Hebrew word for **mountain**:



רמה

...as in your Hebrew-reading **level** is increasing every day you practice!

Practice reading the Hebrew below aloud:








שָׁרָה מָרָה רַבָּה 2

she sang bitter very much 2

בִּרְתָּה she dined הִרְבָּה the rabbi (female) רָמָה level 3

4 הַרְמָה פֶּרְמָל רְמָתָה
the level her level she aimed

הַהָרָה הַהָר הַפֶּמֶרָה 5

mountainward
(to the mountains)

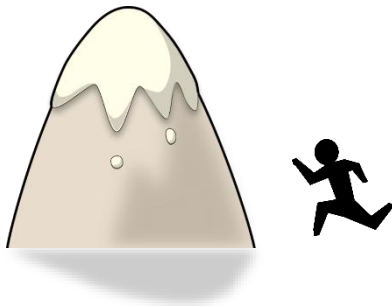
the mountain

the bitter ____

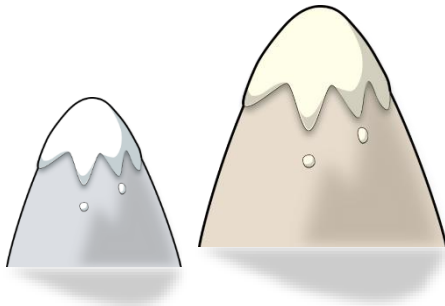
Preposition Matching

Now that you know the Hebrew word for “mountain,” use the prefix chart to match the illustrations on the left to the Hebrew that describes them on the right!

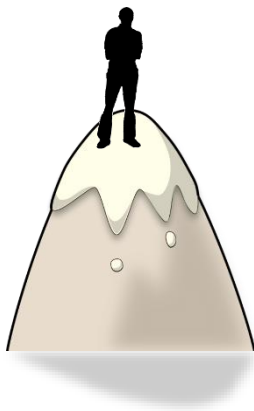
on (or in)	בְּ-
to	לְ-
like	כְּ-



בְּהָר



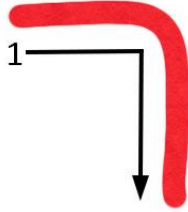
לְהָר



כְּהָר

Writing Practice

Make the letter Reish with a rounded right-angle penstroke:

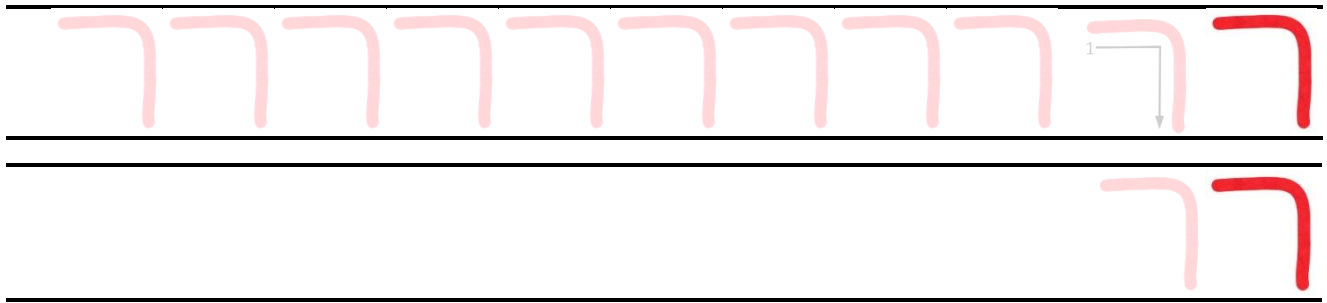


Some people also write Reish like this:

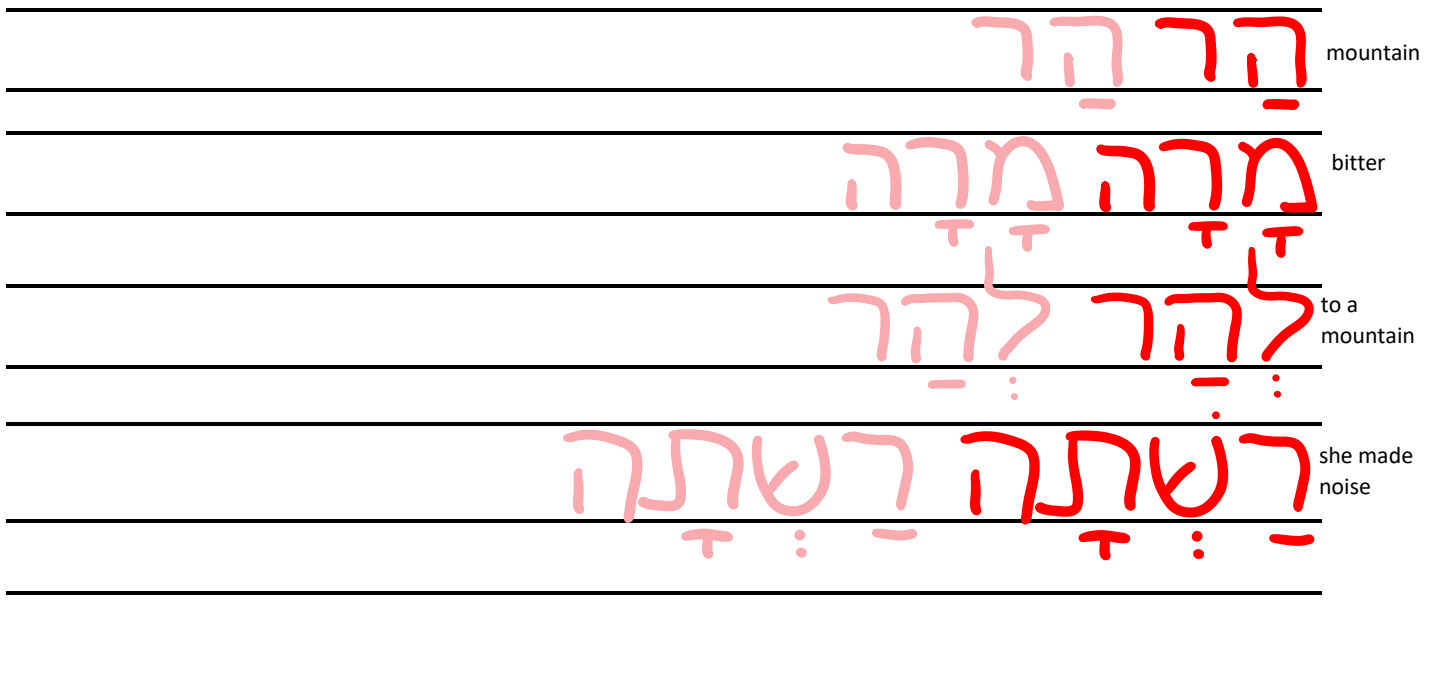


Feel free to use whichever shape is easiest for you!

Now you try: trace the letter across the first line, then copy it all the way across the second line on your own!



Copy the words at least **3 times** each:



Read Aloud!

Read the Hebrew below. Lines separate the syllables for you on the top
– see if you can figure out the syllables on your own on the bottom!

תְּ

Silent
Sh'va

תְּ

Sounded
Sh'va

רָאִמָּה

level

הַר 1

mountain

הַרְהוּר

the mountain

רַבָּה 2

very much *or* rabbi (female)

הַרְאִמָּה

the level

בְּהַר 3

on a mountain

רַמְלָתָה 4

her level

הַרְהוּר

the mountain

הַר

mountain

רָאִמָּה 5

level

רַבָּה 6

very much *or* rabbi (female)

הַרְאִמָּה

the level

בְּרַבָּה 7

(woman's name)

One-Off Matching

Read the Hebrew on the right out loud, then the Hebrew on the left. Match the ones in each group that **sound exactly the same** but have one spelling difference. **BONUS:** Circle the thing that's different!

(For instance, **בֵּת** would match to **בֵּת** and the vowel would be circled. *One's been done for you as an example!*)

A	בֵּהָר	רַבָּה	1	very much <i>or</i> rabbi (female)
B	רַבָּה	הָהָר	2	the mountain
C	מִבֵּת	בֵּהָר	3	on a mountain
D	הָהָר	מִמֵּת	4	
E	מִמֵּת	מִבֵּת	5	

A	מִתַּת	שִׁמַּת	1	
B	מִשַּׁת	מִשַּׁת	2	
C	מִתַּת	מִשַּׁת	3	
D	שִׁמַּת	מִתַּת	4	gift
E	מִשַּׁת	מִתַּת	5	

Reverse It

Write out Hebrew that sounds the same as the English on the left. The first one has been done for you as an example!

L'BAR

לבר
ט:

1

HARASH

2

MARAH

3

KALAH

4

BALASH

5

L'KARAT

6

HAHAR

7

LAHAK'TA

8

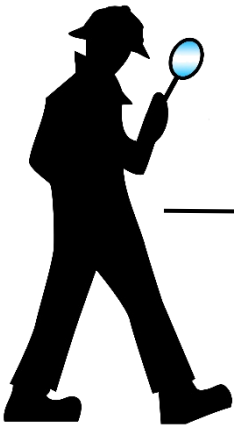
MAK'SHAL

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Vowels	Letters
  	ב ה פ ל מ ר ש ת

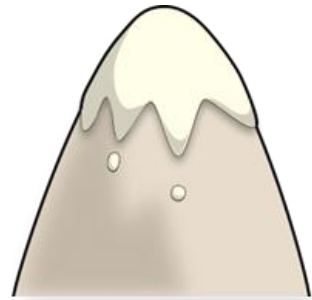
Vocab Bonus

You've met a few new Hebrew words lately – write the Hebrew word next to the picture of what it means using the Word List at the bottom! (Look back through the packet if you have trouble remembering any of them!)









WORD LIST

פֶּלֶה הָר מַלְכָּה בִּלְשׁ

Name Recognition

Write each Hebrew letter's English name next to it – you have a Name List at the bottom to help you with spelling!

One has been done for you as an example!

מ		ב	Bet
ל		פ	
ש		ה	
ר		ת	

~~Bet~~

Hei

Kaf

Lamed

Mem

Reish

Shin

Tav

Bonus: Point out the Silly Hebrew Trick for each letter!

Packet 2 Reading Review

Time yourself to see how long it takes you to read this whole page. It's okay if you read very slowly the first few times! When your time is as fast as you think you can get it, read this page to a teacher to earn your Packet 2 Award!

- | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| כַּלָּה | הַהָר | רַבָּה | 1 |
| bride | the mountain | very much <i>or</i> rabbi (female) | |
| נָשַׁרְתָּ | כָּנַשׁל | בְּהָר | 2 |
| you sang | tripped/stumbled | on a mountain | |
| בֶּר | הַרְמָה | מִנְשָׁל | 3 |
| son | the level | parable | |
| לָמָה | בִּרְתָּה | כַּמָּה | 4 |
| why | she dined | how many/much | |
| מִפַּת | הַהָרָה | הַבֵּת | 5 |
| injury/pain | mountainward (to the mountain) | the daughter | |
| כָּלִל | מִלְכָּה | בִּפְלֵשׁ | 6 |
| usual/general | queen | detective | |

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מַזָּל טוֹב! Mazal Tov!



This award certifies that



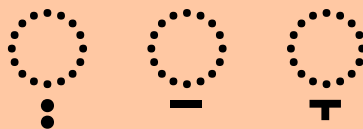
has completed Packet 2

in the Hebrew Step-By-Step program,

now knows eight letters:

ב • ה • כ • ל • מ • נ • ש • ת

Three vowels:



...and is ready to learn more in Packet 3!

Teacher Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

