

Learn to Read Biblical Hebrew the Easy Way

Are you ready to embark on a journey to unlock the treasures of the Hebrew Bible? In this comprehensive guide, we will walk you through the basics of Biblical Hebrew, making it easy for you to start reading and understanding the original text.

Whether you are a complete beginner or looking to brush up on your Hebrew skills, this guide will provide you with the foundation you need to succeed. We will cover everything from the alphabet and pronunciation to grammar and vocabulary.



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So, grab your Bible and a pen, and let's get started!

Step 1: The Hebrew Alphabet

The first step to learning Biblical Hebrew is to familiarize yourself with the Hebrew alphabet. It consists of 22 letters, each with a unique sound and shape.

- Start by learning the consonants first. There are 18 consonants in the Hebrew alphabet.
- Once you have mastered the consonants, move on to the vowels. There are five vowel sounds in Hebrew, which are represented by vowel points.
- Practice writing and pronouncing the letters and vowels until you feel comfortable with them.

Here is a table of the Hebrew alphabet:

Letter	Name	Sound	Alt	Attribute
Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א -silent
Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כּ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פּ "p"	Ayin ע -silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin שׁ "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
			Final Tzadi ץ "z"	Final Fay ף "f"

Aleph

a

Hebrew letter
aleph

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Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
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Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Beth

b

Hebrew letter
beth

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Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Gimel

g

Hebrew letter
gimel

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Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
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Daleth d

Hebrew letter
daleth

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He

h

Hebrew letter he

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
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Vav

v

Hebrew letter
vav

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
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Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
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Zayin

z

Hebrew letter
zayin

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Heth

ה

Hebrew letter
heth

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
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Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
			Final Tzadi ץ "z"	Final Fay ף "f"

Teth

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Hebrew letter
teth

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Yod

y

Hebrew letter
yod

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Kaph

k

Hebrew letter
kaph

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Lamed

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Hebrew letter
lamed

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
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Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
			Final Tzadi ץ "z"	Final Fay ף "f"

Mem

m

Hebrew letter
mem

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Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Nun

n

Hebrew letter
nun

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
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Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
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Samekh s

Hebrew letter
samekh

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Ayin

Hebrew letter
ayin

Hebrew Alphabet Chart				
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Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Pe

p

Hebrew letter pe

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Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
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Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Tsade

ץ

Hebrew letter
tsade

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Mem מ "m"	Lamed ל "l"	Chaf כ "ch"	Kaf כ "k"	Yud י "y"
Fay פ "f"	Pay פ "p"	Ayin ע silent	Samech ס "s"	Nun נ "n"
Sin ש "s"	Shin ש "sh"	Resh ר "r"	Koof ק "k"	Tsadi צ "z"
Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Qoph

q

Hebrew letter

qoph

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Final Chaf ך "ch"	Final Nun ן "n"	Final Mem ם "m"		Tav ת "t"
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Resh r

Hebrew letter
resh

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Tet ט "t"	Chet ח "ch"	Zayin ז "z"	Vav ו "v"	Hey ה "h"
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Shin

š

Hebrew letter
shin

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Dalet ד "d"	Gimel ג "g"	Vet ו "v"	Bet ב "b"	Aleph א silent
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			Final Tzadi ץ "z"	Final Fay ף "f"

Tav t Hebrew letter
tav

Step 2: Biblical Hebrew Grammar

Once you have a good grasp of the Hebrew alphabet, you can start learning the basics of Biblical Hebrew grammar. This includes understanding how words are formed, how sentences are constructed, and how to identify different parts of speech.

- Start by learning the different parts of speech, such as nouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs.
- Learn how to conjugate verbs, which is the

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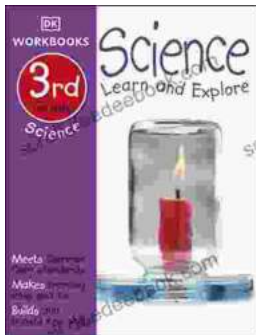
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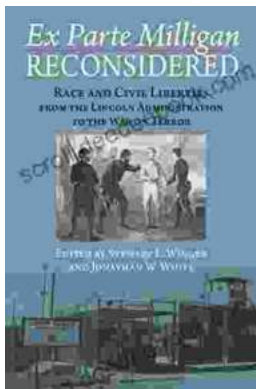
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