

**LG 1100 HEBREW
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CATALOG DESCRIPTION

An introduction to Hebrew grammar and syntax. Reading and analysis of selected Old Testament texts explores the nature of translation and its relation to interpretation. Help is given in effective use of resources such as grammars, lexicons, concordances, parsing guides, and an interlinear. Mastery of basic vocabulary is stressed.

TEXTS (Bold titles are required, or preferred when a choice is offered)

1. P. Kelley, *Biblical Hebrew, An Introductory Grammar* (Eerdmans, 1992)
2. **M. Throntveit, *Hebrew Exercises*** (available in class from Dr T)
3. J. Paradise, CD-ROM Gaining Reading Fluency <http://www.hebrewmedia.com/>
4. **R. J. Williams, *Hebrew Syntax: An Outline, 3rd Edition*** (Univ. of Toronto Press, 2007)
5. A Hebrew Lexicon:
 - **W.L. Holladay, *A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon* (Eerdmans, 1971)**
 - **BibleWorks**
 - Brown, Driver, Briggs, *Hebrew and English Lexicon* (Oxford University Press, 1907)
 - Langenscheidt's Hebrew Dictionary
6. A Hebrew Bible:
 - **Kohlenberger, *The Interlinear NIV Hebrew-English OT*** (Zondervan, 1987)
 - **BibleWorks**
 - Elliger, *Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia* (Paperback version is acceptable)
 - Your Dad's/Mom's/Pastor's "Hebrew Bible in mint condition" (check with me!)
7. **R. Dillard, *Biblical Hebrew Vocabulary Cards* (VisEd, 1981)**

EVALUATION (UNIT ONE: GRAMMAR COMPONENT)

You will be evaluated on the basis of the following items:

1. Before Test 2: Read aloud Genesis 1:1-2 within 3 min. and with 3 errors or less.
2. Before Test 3: Read aloud Genesis 1:3-5 within 2 min. and with 2 errors or less.
3. 5 Tests: 20 minutes each; on grammatical items, paradigms, translations,
4. 6 Quizzes (including unit two) 5 minutes each; displaying mastery of about 300 vocabulary items (50 words/week) **(1 retake if taken by Wednesday in the same week)**
5. 1 Mid-Term Exam involving translation, parsing, and **cumulative** vocabulary
6. Daily class participation and assignments

CLASS SCHEDULE: GRAMMAR COMPONENT

DATES	TOPICS	ASSIGNMENTS	
		KELLEY	THRONTVEIT
Week One			
Mon	Introduction; <i>alef-zayin</i> ; short vowels אָנ; <i>het-nun</i> ;	1-3	Download and print 28 alef-bet sheets *
Tues	אָט; <i>samek-tav</i> ; long vowels אָב	1-3	אָט Fill in these sheets; turn in to TA
Wed	Daghesh, Sheva, Gutturals, and Syllables <i>REVIEW</i>	4-7	אָבט Fill in these sheets; turn in to TA
Thurs	TEST ONE. The Article Hebrew Reading Demo	8-13	Basics Worksheet
Fri	Prepositions with Noun; Vav Conjunctive Nouns and Adjectives	14 15-16	Exercise 1 Exercise 2
Week Two			
Mon	(369-393) Gender and Number Subject Pronouns; Demonstratives	17-22 17-22	Exercise 3 Exercise 4
Tues	<i>REVIEW</i> TEST TWO: Exercises 1-4 Construct Relationship	23-24	Exercise 5
Wed	Pronominal Suffixes Perfect Keys	25-26 27-28	Exercise 6 Exercise 7
Thurs	<i>REVIEW</i> TEST THREE: Exercises 5-8. Qal Perf Pdgm; <i>Questions</i>	29-33	Exercise 8
Fri	Imperfect Keys Qal Imperfect Paradigm	34 39-40	Exercise 9 Exercise 10
Week Three			
Mon	(1-25; 394-418) Precative (Imperative/Jussive/Cohortative) Comparison; Negative Commands	39-40 48; 41	Exercise 11 Exercise 12
Tues	<i>REVIEW</i> TEST FOUR: Exercises 9-12. Vav Consecutive; Directive ה	53-55	Exercise 13
Wed	Infinitives Participles	43-44 56-57	Exercise 14 Exercise 15
Thurs	<i>REVIEW</i> TEST FIVE: Exercises 13-16. Synopsis of Verb	58-60	Exercise 16
Fri	Introduction to Parsing Qal Parse; Niphal Keys	61	Memorize Stem Names Parsing Sheet: Qal
Week Four			
Mon	(26-50; 419-443) Niphal Parse and Meanings Niphal Sentences; Piel/Pual Keys		Parsing Sheet: Regular Exercise 17
Tues	Piel/Pual Parse and Meanings Piel/Pual Sentences; Hiphil/Hophal Keys		Parsing Sheet: Regular Exercise 18
Wed	Hiphil/Hophal Parse / Meanings Hiphil/Hophal Sentences; Hithpael Keys		Parsing Sheet: Regular Exercise 19
Thurs	Hithpael Parse and Meanings Hithpael Sentences		Parsing Sheet: Regular Exercise 20
Fri	ONE HOUR EXAM: Parse and Translate No Class		

*<http://www.revelations.org.za/hebrew/Downloads/Practicedocs/AlefBeth/AlephBethPracticeSquare.pdf>

CLASS SCHEDULE FOR UNIT TWO: READING COMPONENT

	VOCABULARY	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
HOUR						
1	51-75; 444—468	The Verb	Parse 1-15	Parse 16-30	Gen 1:1-5	Festival of
2	On Monday	Guttural Verbs	Weak Verbs	Accents	Gen 1:1-5	Fireworks
1	76-100; 469—493	Psalm 1	Exod 6:2-8	Exod 1:15-22	1 K 17:17-24	Go over take-
2	On Monday	Psalm 1	Exod 6:2-8	Exod 1:15-22	1 K 17:17-24	home exam
1	101-125; 494--518	Jonah 1	Jonah 2	Jonah 3	Jonah 4	Go over take-
2	On Monday	Jonah 1	Jonah 2	Jonah 3	Jonah 4	home final

EVALUATION (UNIT TWO: READING COMPONENT)

You will be evaluated on the basis of the vocabulary quizzes, your attendance and participation in class, and your performance on the two (2) **Take Home Exams**. On the first exam you will be asked to identify a number of syntactical constructions. On the final, in addition to identifying syntactical constructions you will also be asked to compare and contrast two English translations (provided) with your own. We will go over these passages in class the following day.

Some useful (and free!) URLs

<http://www.revelations.org.za/hebrew/Downloads/Practicedocs/AlefBeth/AlephBethPracticeSquare.pdf>

AlefBet practice sheets for writing letters **See first assignment!**

<http://www.cartoonhebrew.com/>

Another Hebrew reader for alefbet (silly cartoons help you remember)

<http://www.beverlyhillshabad.com/reading-hebrew/pages/title-page.htm>

Audio AlefBet

<http://www.allon.org/alefbet.htm>

Alphabet, vowels, pronunciation

<http://shalom-peace.com/AlephBet.html>

Free Flash Cards for the Hebrew AlefBet

<http://www.levsoftware.com/>

Lev Software animated alefbet; Hebrew Bible Explorer (Serve-a-verse) transliterates/translates

<http://www.bibheb.com/>

Learn the Hebrew Alphabet; Listen to the Hebrew Bible; See and Hear Animated Readings (Genesis 1:1-5)

<http://www.milingua.com/HebrewBeginnersFree/BeginnersFree.htm>

First four lessons free Alphabet vowels

<http://bible.ort.org/>

Text chanting translation, transliteration

<http://foundationstone.com.au/>

Hebrew online instruction

www.kreuzer-siegfried.de/hilfsmittel/hebr-500-engl.pdf

500 basic Hebrew words transliterated and translated

<http://www.bible101.org/hebrew/home.html>

Notes to Kelley (our text) fonts are only available in Internet Explorer

http://geocities.com/beney_yisrael/seferbereshit.swf

Color coded Genesis shows roots, suffixes, prepositions, etc.

<http://home.earthlink.net/~vikn/hebrew.htm>

Vocabulary drill