



Jerusalem Seminary's School of Hebrew: Hebrew for the Nations invites you to a Biblical Hebrew immersion course - learn Biblical Hebrew as a living language.

Who?

Anyone involved in Bible translation, Hebrew teachers, Pastors and Seminarians

Why?

A better connection to the language and context of the Hebrew Bible will empower Bible translators to translate the original text more accurately and efficiently.

When?

9th – 27th of August 2021
(three weeks)
Mondays-Fridays
08:00-16:00

Where?

West Africa Baptist Advanced School of Theology (WABAST)
in **Lomé, Togo**
(www.esbtao.org)

Additional details:

- Our teachers at "Hebrew for the Nations" (H4N) are Israeli believers in Christ who speak Hebrew as their native language. They are committed to teaching Biblical Hebrew using a unique communicative method, through conversation, stories, and song. For an enhanced immersion experience, the lessons will be conducted primarily in Hebrew.
- This course is suitable for beginners, as well as those who have previously studied Hebrew. Beginners will enjoy an intuitive and rich way of learning. Those who are more advanced will experience the language coming to life.
- In order to benefit from this course, participants must be able to read and write the Hebrew Alphabet and know a short list of common Hebrew words provided below. **A basic Hebrew knowledge-assessment will be part of the application process.** We are happy to provide some tools to study these items prior to the course.
- In the following pages you will find the prerequisite Hebrew knowledge (the Hebrew Alphabet and vowels, and common Hebrew words), and example questions for the basic Hebrew knowledge-assessment.

The course fee is \$250 for participants who are sponsored by a sending organization, or \$100 for independent participants. This fee includes lectures, handouts and a certificate of completion. **Partial scholarships for independent participants are available upon request prior to the start of the course.**

[Apply to the course here](#)



There are limited places in the course

Applications will be received until the **31st of May 2021**

The Hebrew assessment must be sent by the **30th of June 2021**

Preference will be given to those involved in translation projects

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אלף - בית

The Hebrew Letters



Z ז	V ו	H ה	D ד	G ג	V ב	B ¹ ב	' א
Zayin Zoom	Vav Very	He Holy	Dalet Dog	Gimel God	Vet Very	Bet Bible	'Alef Apple
M מ	L ל	Kh ³ ך	Kh כ	K ¹ כ	Y י	T ט	H ² ח
Mem Mom	Lamed Land	Khaf sofit (finale)	Khaf Bach	Kaf Kid	Yod Yes	Tet Time	Het
F ³ ף	F פ	P ¹ פ	' ² ע	S ס	N ³ ן	N נ	M ³ ם
Fe sofit (finale)	Fe For	Pe Pony	'Ayin	Samekh Sun	Noon sofit (finale)	Noon No	Mem sofit (finale)
	T ת	S ¹ ש	Sh ¹ ש	R ⁴ ר	K ק	Ts ³ ץ	Ts צ
	Tav Time	Sin Sun	Shin Shine	Resh Rain	Kof Kid	Tsadi sofit (finale)	Tsadi Ants

¹ The letters ש פ כ ב have two pronunciations. Make sure to notice when/where they have a dot.

² The letter ח doesn't have an equivalent in English. It sounds like deep soft כ-kh.

The letter ע also doesn't have an equivalent in English. It sounds like a deep א-'a.

³ The letters צ פ נ כ מ have a different appearance at the end of a word, but sound the same.

⁴ The letter ר sounds like a short Spanish rolling r - Madrid.

The Hebrew Vowel Marks

חֵטָף פֶּתַח ⁵ Hataf patach	פֶּתַח Patach	קָמָץ Kamats	A Park
חֵטָף סֵגוּל ⁷ Hataf segol	סֵגוּל Segol	סִי/סִי צִירִי Tsere	E Met
	סִי חִירִיק חָסֵר Hirik haser	סִי חִירִיק מְלֵא Hirik male	I Meet
חֵטָף קָמָץ ⁷ Hataf kamats	קָמָץ קָטוֹן ⁶ Kamats katon	סוּ/סֵ חוֹלָם Holam	O Long
	סִי קִבּוּץ Kibbutz	סוּ שׁוּרוּק Shuruk	U June

Other Marks

שׁוּאָ סִי **shva** is either silent (no vowel), or sounds like a short e⁷.

דָּגֵשׁ סִי **dagesh** appears within a letter, usually does not affect the pronunciation, besides the letters פּ/פּ, כּ/כּ, בּ/בּ. The dagesh will not appear in the letters א, ה, ח, ע, ר.

מַפְיֵק הֵי **mappik** is not a dagesh. It appears only in the letter ה at the end of a word and lets us know it should be pronounced as a consonant.

טַעֲמִים **Te'amim** are additional marks in the traditional text, located above or beneath the stressed syllable of every word (They also function as musical notations and punctuation marks).

⁵ These vowel marks are pronounced as regular vowels but function as a shva, and will appear almost only under the guttural letters א, ה, ח, ע.

⁶ Kamats katon (o) looks the same as kamats (a).

⁷ In cases in which it sounds like a short e, it is transcribed with a small e: **keli**



Demonstratives and others	(neg) no, not	lo	לא	11
	this (m)	ze	זֶה	12
	this (f)	zot	זֹאת	13
	these	'ele	אֵלֶּה	14
	!behold! Lo	hine	הִנֵּה	15
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	what	ma	מָה	17
	where	'efo' ; aye	אֵיפֹה ; אַיֵּה	18
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	name	shem	שֵׁם	20
	Man	'ish	אִישׁ	21
	Woman	'isha	אִשָּׁה	22
	Son	ben	בֵּן	23
	Daughter	bat	בַּת	24
	Brother	'aḥ	אָח	25
	sister	'aḥot	אָחוֹת	26
	father	'av	אָב	27
	mother	'em	אִם	28

101 First Hebrew Words

m – masculine f – feminine
s – singular p – plural

In most words in Hebrew, the emphasis is on the last syllable. In words where this is not the case, the emphasized syllable appears in bold: אֶרֶץ - 'erets

In cases in which the shwa sounds like a short e, it is transcribed with a small e: keli

Pronouns	I (m/f)	'ani ; 'anokhi	אֲנִי ; אֲנֹכִי	1
	You (m.s)	'atta	אַתָּה	2
	You (f.s)	at	אַתְּ	3
	He	hu	הוא	4
	She	hi	היא	5
	We	'anahnu	אֲנַחְנוּ	6
	You (m.p)	'attem	אַתֶּם	7
	You (f.p)	'atten ; 'attena	אַתְּנָה ; אַתֶּנָּה	8
	They (m)	hem ; hemma	הֵם ; הֵמָּה	9
	They (f)	henna	הֵנָּה	10



Places	earth, land, country	'erets	אָרֶץ	48
	Israel	yisra'el	יִשְׂרָאֵל	49
	city	'ir	עִיר	50
	Jerusalem	yerushalayim	יְרוּשָׁלַיִם	51
	house	bayit	בַּיִת	52
	road	derekh	דֶּרֶךְ	53
	Nature	mountain	har	הַר
sky		shamayim	שָׁמַיִם	55
sea		yam	יָם	56
wind, spirit		ruah	רוּחַ	57
stone		'even	אֶבֶן	58
tree, wood		'ets	עֵץ	59
field		sade	שָׂדֶה	60
wilderness		midbar	מִדְבָּר	61
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Body parts	face	panim	פָּנִים	29
	hand	yad	יָד	30
	eye	'ayin	עַיִן	31
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	mouth	pe	פֶּה	33
	nose	'af	אָף	34
	foot	regel	רֶגֶל	35
	ear	'ozen	אָזֵן	36
	heart	lev	לֵב	37
Sides	right	yamin	יָמִין	38
	left	semol	שְׂמֹאל	39
Prepositions	on	'al	עַל	40
	from	mi ; min	מִ ; מִן	41
	with	'im	עִם	42
	there	sham	שָׁם	43
	before	lifne	לִפְנֵי	44
	under	taḥat	תַּחַת	45
	between	ben	בֵּין	46
	in	be	בְּ	47

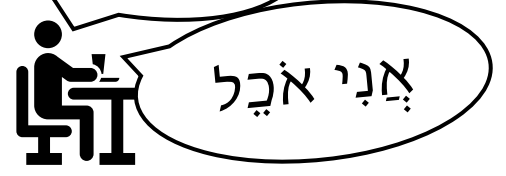


Adjectives	Good (m;f)	tov ; tova	טוב ; טוֹבָה	80
	Old (m;f)	zaken ; zekena	זָקֵן ; זְקֵנָה	81
	Bad (m;f)	ra' ; ra'a	רַע ; רָעָה	82
	Wise (m;f)	hakham ; hakhama	חָכָם ; חֲכָמָה	83
	Big (m;f)	gadol ; gedola	גָּדוֹל ; גְּדוּלָה	84
	Small (m;f)	katon ; ketana	קָטָן ; קְטַנָּה	85
	Day parts	day ; today	yom ; hayom	יוֹם ; הַיּוֹם
now		'ata	עַתָּה	87
night		layla	לַיְלָה	88
morning		boker	בֹּקֶר	89
evening		'erev	עֶרֶב	90
Verbs	Singing (m.s)	shar	שָׁר	91
	Saying (m.s)	'omer	אָמַר	92
	Coming (m.s)	ba	בָּא	93
	giving (m.s)	noten	נָתַן	94
	walking / going (m.s)	holekh	הִלְךָ	95

Objects	sword	h̄erev	חֶרֶב	63
	vessel, utensil	keli	כֵּלִי	64
	flesh, meat	basar	בָּשָׂר	65
	garment	beqed	בְּגָד	66
	written doc.	sefer	סֵפֶר	67
	seat	kise	כִּסֵּא	68
	word, thing	davar	דָּבָר	69
	water	mayim	מַיִם	70
	bread, food	lehem	לֶחֶם	71
Animals	bull ; cow	par ; para	פָּרָה ; פָּר	72
	stallion (m) ; mare (f)	sus ; susa	סוּסָה ; סוּס	73
	young ram ; young ewe	keves ; kivsa	כֶּבֶשׂ ; כִּבְשָׂה	74
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Verbs	seeing (m.s)	ro'e	רָאָה	96
	sitting (m.s)	yoshev	יָשַׁב	97
	eating (m.s)	'okhel	אָכַל	98
	arising (m.s)	kam	קָם	99
	writing (m.s)	kotev	כָּתַב	100
	standing (m.s)	'omed	עָמַד	101



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Hebrew Knowledge Assessment – Example Questions

1. Match each image to the corresponding Hebrew word:



בָּשָׂר



מַיִם

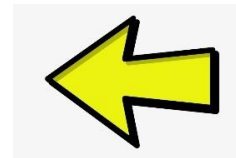


כְּתוּב



פֶּתַח

2. Write the Hebrew word that describes the picture:



כֶּסֶא





3. Record yourself reading the following words:

הַלֵּךְ •

יָם •

עָמַד •

מְדַבֵּר •

שָׁם •

חֲכָמָה •

תַּחַת •

אֲנַחְנוּ •