

**HEBREW ALEPH-BET  
TRAINING MANUAL  
& WORKBOOK**

**PLUS A STORY BOOK...**

**ALEPH and GIMEL**

**AND MORE...**

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# INTRODUCTION

Hebrew was originally a Phoenician pictographic language. That means it used pictures for letters. Each Hebrew Aleph-bet not only has a wealth of information to learn, but each letter has several different meanings as well as a numerical value.

Hebrew is the only ancient language (from the Old Testament days) that died and was resurrected and is still used today.

Hebrew is written from right to left, unlike English which is written from left to right. Did you know that Yahweh designed the world and the languages, so that they all point to Jerusalem?

**All languages EAST of JERUSALEM, are written from right to left.**

**All languages WEST of JERUSALEM, are written from left to right.**

**Therefore, languages point to JERUSALEM, and all languages point to YAHWEH.**

The purpose of this manual, is to stir up a thirst in you to want to learn Hebrew. Jesus said in Matthew 5:18, ***“For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.”***

Therefore, we can see by this scripture that even a jot or tittle has great importance to Yahweh (God), because Yeshua (Jesus) confirms it in the New Testament. Eliezer Ben Yehuda revived the Hebrew language in the 1880's and today, it is spoken, written, taught and read, all over the world. The Hebrew language evolved over hundreds of years. When Hebrew was first written down in the (10th c. B.C.E.), only consonants were used, because they did not use vowels.

The solution was to add vowel letters, a process which happened in 4 different stages:

### **STAGE 1: 10th c.B.C.E.**

*During Stage 1, it was very difficult to pronounce words because there were no vowels. This was during the time of King David and King Solomon.*

### **STAGE 2: 10<sup>th</sup> c.B.C.E.**

*In Stage 2, they selected 3 consonants to become vowels. The consonants selected are vav ( ם ), yod ( ך ) and hey ( ך ). These were placed at the end of words to act as vowels.*

*These vowels became known as matres lectionis, which is Latin for "reading mother." These letters help us to know how to pronounce words, just like a mother helps her child to read.*

*vav represents the vowel u*

*yod represents the vowel i*

*hey represents the ah/eh/oh*

### **STAGE 3: 586 B.C.E. (after the Exile)**

*vav represents the vowel u & o and it was used inside of words*

*yod represents the vowel i & e and it was used inside of words*

*hey represents the ah/eh/oh continued to be placed at the end of words*

## **STAGE 4: 7th-9th c.C.E.**

*In the final stage they developed the Nikkud Vowel Pointing System. This way, the oral tradition of the scribes, could be permanently recorded in more detail than the system of mater lectionis.*

*There are several different ways to vocalize biblical text, but the one most widely used is the Tiberian tradition, which was developed by the school of scribes in the city of Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee.*

*The Nikkud Vowel Pointing System did not erase the previous system of mater lectionis. Part of what makes biblical Hebrew transliteration so complicated is that all of these systems now exist simultaneously one on top of the other. And we want to be able to translate Hebrew into Latin, exactly as we see it.*

*For then will I turn to the people  
a pure Language,  
that they may all call upon the name of the  
LORD,  
to serve him with one consent.  
Zephaniah 3:9*

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# ALEPH and GIMEL

Once upon a time, there was a little **OX** named **ALEPH**. She lived in a little **HOUSE** on **BET** Street. **ALEPH** was very happy when she got up this morning, because she was going to the mall, in her new walking shoes and she was hoping that her friend, **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**, would go with her.

**ALEPH** smiled as she put on her new walking shoes, and then she started on her way. She soon arrived at the home of her friend, **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**. Hi **GIMEL**, said **ALEPH**. Hi **ALEPH**, said **GIMEL**. Where are you going? I'm going to the mall said **ALEPH**, do you want to come? Sure, said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**. I'm wearing my new walking shoes, said **ALEPH**. Very nice, said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**.

On the way they passed by the home of **DALET**. Hi **DALET**, said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH**. What are you doing they said? I'm trying to fix my **DOOR** said **DALET**. **HEY** Where are you going? said **DALET**. **BEHOLD!** We are going to the mall said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**. Are you going to the **VAV** Mall, asked **DALET**? Yes, said **ALEPH**, we are going to the **VAV** Mall. Will you bring me a **NAIL** to fix my **DOOR** said **DALET**? Sure, said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH**. Can you also bring a **WEAPON** for my friend **Zayin**, said **DALET**? **A WEAPON!!!** said **ALEPH!!!** Why does **Zayin** need a **WEAPON**, said **ALEPH!!!**

Well... "I went to visit him yesterday, and he told me that he saw **CHET** and his wife **[YOD]**, in their front yard trying to repair the **FENCE**, around their garden. When all of a sudden, they see this huge **TE7 SNAKE**, in their garden. Wow!!!! a **TE7 SNAKE**, said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH!!!**

What did they do next, said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH!?! [YOD]** was so brave, she tried to kill the **TE7 SNAKE** and she almost got bit on her **[HAND!]** said **DALET?** Wow!!! said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH!!!**

**[YOD]** tried to hit the **TE7 SNAKE** with a **KAF**, continued **DALET**, and that really hurt her **[HAND]** and now it is very hard for her to **OPEN** or **CLOSE** her **[HAND.]** What happen to the **TE7 SNAKE** said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH!?!** The snake got away, said **DALET**, that is why **Zayin** needs a **WEAPON**. He wants to be ready, just in case that **TE7 SNAKE** comes back, because he cannot walk very good or run, said **DALET**. Why?? What happen to **Zayin** said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH???**

**Zayin** hurt his foot last week jogging and now he has a **cut** and a big **LAMED** on his foot and he has to use a **STAFF** in order to walk around. Wow!!!! said **ALEPH!!!** I will pray for them. See you later **DALET**, said **GIMEL** and **ALEPH**, we must, get to the mall. Half way to the mall, **GIMEL** and **ALEPH** started getting hungry.

Let's stop at the **SAMEK SUPPORT** center and have some **MEM WATER** and **NUN FISH**, said **ALEPH**. Sounds good to me, said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**. When **GIMEL** and **ALEPH** arrived at the **SAMEK SUPPORT** center, it was very crowded. Almost half the city was there, eating lunch.

**GIMEL**, said **ALEPH**, do you think we should ask our friend **PEY** if we should tell everyone about the **TE7 SNAKE**? Yes!!! Said **GIMEL**... **PEY**, has a very loud **MOUTH** and I know she will also tell all the members of the **SAMEK SUPPORT** city group, to keep a watchful **EYE** for that terrible **TE7 SNAKE**. **PEY** made sure that the word went out right away, about that terrible **TE7 SNAKE**.

In less than 30 minutes, **PEY** received a phone call from her best friend **AYIN**, who owns a nice little **FISHHOOK** shop across town named,  **TSADE & TSADE**. **AYIN** told **PEY** that someone spotted that terrible **TE7 SNAKE** at the end of town, heading for the back woods and **PEY** told **GIMEL** and **ALEPH**.

Run, run run, said **GIMEL** to **ALEPH**, we must kill him before he reaches the back woods!!! Just as they reached the stop **SIGN** at the **CROSS** walk for **TAV** Street, they spotted that terrible **TE7 SNAKE** and **ALEPH** ran even faster and leaped way up in the air and hit that terrible **TE7 SNAKE** right in the **BACK OF THE HEAD**, with her **SHEEN TOOTH**, and it was all over!



The terrible **TEI SNAKE** let out a loud **QOF**, and rolled over, and died. Almost every **PERSON** in **SAMEK** city began to **RESH** across town to see the **MARK** that **ALEPH** made on the **HEAD** of that terrible **TEI SNAKE**.

Every **PERSON** in **SAMEK** city was so grateful to **ALEPH** and happy that she did not get hurt. WOW!!! said, **GIMEL**. That is enough excitement for me for one day. Let's go home.

Sure, said **ALEPH. ALEPH...** Said **GIMEL**, can I ask you a question? Sure, said **ALEPH. WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?!?!?** screamed, **GIMEL...** I wasn't thinking, said **ALEPH**. Ok, just checking said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**.

Everyone slept good that night, because the terrible **TEI SNAKE** was dead. But not **ALEPH**, she was thinking about her new walking shoes that she lost when she leaped up in the air to attack that terrible **TEI SNAKE**.

**ALEPH** decided to count sheep and was soon fast asleep. The next day, she jumps up and runs over to tell **GIMEL** the **CAMEL** all about the wonderful dream she had. **GIMEL** I had this wonderful dream about the Lord.

HE made me the first letter of HIS Hebrew Aleph-bet, isn't that wonderful, said **ALEPH**, as she quickly chattered on... And then HE used all the letters of the Aleph-bet to create a language called Hebrew and then HE used the Hebrew language to start speaking things into existence.

Who is the Lord, said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL??** **WHO IS THE LORD!!!**, said **ALEPH??** **GIMEL**, said **ALEPH**, have I got a story to tell you, and it's all about the Lord, the True and Living God. OK, In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.... **WAIT!!!**, said **GIMEL** the **CAMEL**, let me sit down first, ok go on... In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth... now...what happened next?

***THE END***

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# HEBREW ALEPH-BET CHART

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Order	Sign	Name	Literal Meaning	Ancient Script	Latin	Pronunciation
1	א	Aleph	Ox	𐤀	A	Silent glottal stop, like the "-" in "a-ha"
2	ב	Bet	House	𐤁	B	ב (with a dot): B as in Bet ב (without a dot): V as in Vet
3	ג	Gimel	Camel	𐤂	C	G as in Gift
4	ד	Dalet	Door	𐤃	D	D as in Door
5	ה	Hey	Behold	𐤄	E	H as in Hey
6	ו	Vav	Nail	𐤅	F	V as in Vine. It also represents the vowels "u" as in "flute" (ו) and "o" as in "hole" (ו).
7	ז	Zayin	Weapon	𐤆	Z	Z as in Zechariah
8	ח	Chet	Fence	𐤇	H	Ch as in Bach
9	ט	Tet	Twist, Serpent	𐤈		T as in Turn
10	י	Yod	Hand	𐤉	I, J	Y as in Yes. It also represents the vowels "i" as in machine and "ey" as in "they."
11	כ	Kaph	Palm of Hand	𐤊	K	כ (with a dot): K as in King כ (without a dot): Ch as in Bach
12	ל	Lamed	Staff, Ox Goad	𐤋	L	L as in Learn
13	מ	Mem	Water	𐤌	M	M as in Memory
14	נ	Nun	Fish	𐤍	N	N as in Now
15	ס	Samek	Support	𐤎		S as in Support
16	ע	Ayin	Eye	𐤏	O	It is supposed to be formed in the back of the throat like a gulp, but is usually silent.
17	פ	Pey	Mouth	𐤐	P	פ (with a dot): P as in Power פ (without a dot): Ph as in Phone
18	צ	Tzaddi	Fish Hook	𐤑		Ts as in Sits
19	ק	Quph	Eye of Needle	𐤒	Q	C as in Cry (more guttural than Kaph)
20	ר	Resh	Head	𐤓	R	R as in Rush
21	ש	Shin	Tooth	𐤔	S	ש (with a dot above right): Sh as in Shine ש (with a dot above left): S as in Sun
22	ת	Tav	Mark, Sign Cross	𐤕	T	ת (with a dot): T as in Time ת (without a dot): Th as in Theme



**MEANING:** leader, strong, authority

**PICTOGRAPH:** ox head

**NUMERIC VALUE:** 1

**SOUND:** silent (or ah sound)

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**WORDS STARTING WITH ALEPH:** א

**El or Elohim – (God) - אֱלֹהִים**

**PICTURE:** Yahweh is the strong authority and the first shepherd.

**father - (Av) - אָב**

**PICTURE:** The father is the leader or the strength of the house.



	<h1>BET / VET</h1>
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**MEANING:** creation or house

**PICTOGRAPH:** house or tent

**NUMERIC VALUE:** 2

**SOUND:** the letter b or v

**BET:** at the beginning of a word means in or into. Example:

In the beginning - b'reishit

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## WORDS STARTING WITH BET: ב / ו

**son – (ben) - בן**

**PICTURE:** The life of the house. Little boys are in constant motion and full of energy and vitality.

**daughter – (bat) - בת**

**PICTURE:** The covenant of the house. Through the covenant of marriage she brings together 2 households.





**MEANING:** pride, to lift up

**PICTOGRAPH:** camel

**NUMERIC VALUE:** #3

**SOUND:** the letter G

**OTHER MEANINGS:** kindness & nourishment & prosperity

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**WORDS STARTING WITH GIMEL:** ג

**nomad or foreigner - (ger) - גֵּר**

**PICTURE:** a man, person, camel man... that travels across the country or land, selling or trading goods.

**pride - (ge'eh) - גִּבְעָה**

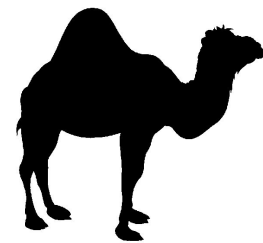


PICTURE: We can do nothing without Yahweh. Therefore it is prideful to lifted up your own self. Also, arrogant, proud and lofty.

**redeem or to lift up - (ga'el) - גָּאֵל**

Our redeemer paid the price for us to be redeemed now we need to lift HIM up before others! *"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."* John 12:32

**treasurer - (gizbar) - גִּזְבָּר**



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