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Words marked with [F] are feminine nouns that lack a feminine suffix.

Words marked with [M/F] are sometimes feminine and sometimes masculine.

Chapter 3 – Syllabification and Pronunciation

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָדָם	man, mankind, Adam	<u>Adam</u> was the first <i>man</i> .
אֶרֶץ	land, earth, ground [F]	Grow carrots in the <u>eret</u> (<i>ground</i>).
אֱלֹהִים	God, gods	
אָב	father, ancestor	Abimelech (<u>Avi</u> -melech) means ‘my <i>father</i> [is/was] <i>king</i> ’ <u>Abba</u> means “O <i>Father</i> ” in Aramaic.
אֵל	God, god	Beth- <u>el</u> is the ‘house of <i>God</i> ’
בֶּן	son	<u>Ben</u> -jamin is the ‘ <i>son</i> of my right (hand)’
בַּיִת	house, household	<u>Beth</u> -el is the ‘ <i>house</i> of God’
דְּבָר	word, matter, thing	
יוֹם	day	<u>Yom</u> Qippur = <i>Day</i> of Atonement
יִשְׂרָאֵל	Israel	
יְרוּשָׁלַם	Jerusalem	[Don’t worry about the weird spelling מ at the end]
יְרוּשָׁלַיִם	Jerusalem	
יְהוָה	Yahweh, LORD	
מִצְרַיִם	Egypt	
מֹשֶׁה	Moses	
מֶלֶךְ	king, ruler	Abimelech (<u>Avi</u> - <u>melech</u>) means ‘my father [is/was] <i>king</i> ’
סוּס	horse	The capital city <u>Susa</u> might have had lots of <i>horses</i> .
עֶבֶד	slave, servant	Abendigo (<u>Eved</u> -nego) might mean ‘ <i>servant</i> of the shining one’
פַּרְעֹה	Pharaoh	
שָׁנָה	year	Rosh Hashanah = Head of the <i>year</i>
שֵׁם	name, reputation	He felt <u>ashamed</u> of his <i>name</i> and <i>reputation</i> .

Chapter 4 – Hebrew Nouns

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אֲדֹנָי	Lord	
אֲדֹנָן	lord, master	
אָח	brother	
אָחִים	[irregular plural of אָח]	
אִישׁ	man, husband	
אֲנָשִׁים	[irregular plural of אִישׁ]	
אִשָּׁה	woman, wife	Gen 2:23, Adam said, “She will be called אִשָּׁה because she was taken from אִישׁ”
נָשִׁים	[Irregular plural of אִשָּׁה]	
בַּת	daughter	A <u>bat</u> -mitzvah is a ‘ <i>daughter</i> of the commandment’
בָּנוֹת	[Irregular plural of בַּת]	
גּוֹי	nation, people	Jewish people sometimes refer to non-Jews as ‘ <u>goy</u> ’ or ‘goyim’
דֶּרֶךְ	way, road, journey [M/F]	
הַר	mountain, hill, hill country	Armageddon might be <u>har</u> Megiddo, “ <i>hill</i> of Megiddo.” It is <u>hard</u> to climb up this <i>mountain</i> .
הָרִים	[plural of הַר]	
כֹּהֵן	priest	
לֵב	heart, mind, will	You can’t <u>live</u> without a <i>heart</i> or <i>mind</i> .
לִבָּב	heart, mind, will	
מַיִם	water	
נַפֶּשׁ	soul, life, person, neck, throat [F]	
נָבִיא	prophet	
סֵפֶר	book, scroll, document	
עֵין	eye, spring [F]	
עֵינַיִם	[Dual of עֵין] [F]	
עִיר	city, town [F]	
עָרִים	[Irregular plural of עִיר] [F]	
צָבָא	host, army, war, service	Lyrics “Lord <u>Sabaoth</u> His name...” means “Lord of <i>Armies</i> ...”
צָבָאוֹת	[Plural of צָבָא]	Lyrics “Lord <u>Sabaoth</u> His name...” means “Lord of <i>Armies</i> ...”
קוֹל	voice, sound, noise	
רֹאשׁ	head, top, chief	
תּוֹרָה	law, instruction, teaching, custom	

Chapter 5 – Definite Article and Conjunction Waw

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אֵשׁ	fire [F]	<i>Fire</i> reduces things to <u>aesh</u> [ash].
הַיְכָל	temple, palace	
וְ	and, but, also, even, then	
זָהָב	gold	<u>Za</u> -have de <i>gold</i> .
חֶרֶב	sword [F]	With his <i>sword</i> he cut off the <u>hair of</u> his enemy.
חַי	living, alive	<u>Hai!</u> She is <i>alive!</i>
חַיִּים	life, lifetime	Song in Fiddler on the Roof: “Le <u>Hayim</u> ” = “To <i>Life!</i> ”
יָלֵד	child, boy, youth	Don’t <u>yell-ad</u> the <i>child!</i>
יָם	sea	<u>Yammy</u> [yummy] <i>sea</i> water.
כֶּסֶף	silver, money	Hand me the <u>case of</u> <i>silver!</i>
כֹּה	thus, here	
מָקוֹם	place, location	That is the <i>place</i> where I put <u>ma-comb</u> .
מִשְׁפָּט	judgment, decision, ordinance, law, custom, manner	The police dog doesn’t <u>mish pot</u> [overlook marijuana], so the people with drugs undergo <i>judgment</i> for breaking the <i>law</i> .
מִזְבֵּחַ	altar	<u>Ms. Beah</u> [bear] on the <i>altar</i> .
נֹאֵם	utterance, announcement, revelation	The prophet <u>Nahum</u> gave a <u>Naum</u> (a <i>revelation</i>) from the Lord.
עוֹלָם	forever, everlasting, ancient	
עָנָן	clouds, cloud mass	The <i>clouds</i> enveloped them, making them <u>anonymous</u> .
רוּחַ	spirit, wind, breath [F]	
שָׂר	chief official, ruler, prince	The <u>Sar</u> [Tsar] was the <i>ruler</i> of Russia.
שַׁעַר	gate	Imagine a <u>sha-ar</u> [shower] with a <i>gate</i> instead of a door
שָׁמַיִם	heaven, sky	

Chapter 6 – Hebrew Prepositions

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אַחַר	after, behind	Armed pirate shouting: “A <u>har</u> !” from <i>behind</i> .
אַחֲרַי	after, behind	
את OR אֶת־	preposition: with, beside particle: definite direct object marker	
אֶל	to, toward, in, into	
אֶל־	to, toward, in, into	
בֵּין	between	Peter’s sword “wolves’ <u>bane</u> ” hit the wolf <i>between</i> the eyes.
וּבֵין	and between	= בֵּין + וְ
בְּ	in, at, with, by, against	
בְּתוֹךְ	in the middle of, inside	= בְּ + תוֹךְ = in + middle
תּוֹךְ	noun: middle, center	
חִכְמָה	wisdom	[The vowel under ח is Qamets Hatuf]
כְּ	as, like, according to	
כָּל־	all, each, every	[The vowel under כ is Qamets Hatuf]
לְפָנַי	before, in front of	= לְ + פָנַי = to + face of
לְ	to, toward, for	
לְמַעַן	on account of, for the sake of	<u>Le-man</u> (the man) Jesus died <i>for the sake of</i> my sins.
מִן	from, out of	6 <u>minus</u> 3 means 3 taken <i>from</i> 6.
מִן־	from, out of	
מֵעַל	above, upward, on top of	Little boy reaching for something: it is <i>above</i> <u>ma-Al</u> [my Al]
מֵעַל	above, on top of	= מִן + מֵעַל
מִצְוָה	commandment	A bat-mitzvah is a ‘daughter of the <i>commandment</i> ’
מִצְוֹת	[irregular plural of מִצְוָה]	[ו is consonant waw with vowel holem, not vowel letter holem waw, because begins syllable]
עַד	until, as far as, during	<u>Ath far as</u>
עַל	on, upon, on account of, according to	The world <i>according to</i> <u>Al</u> .
עַל־דְּבַר	because of, on account of	= עַל + דְּבַר = on account of + a thing.
עִם	with, together with	
פֶּה	mouth, opening	You make a “ <u>peh</u> ” sound with your <i>mouth</i> .
שָׂדֶה	field, pasture land	
תַּחַת	under, below, instead of	In Star Wars 5 rebels lived <i>underground</i> on the ice planet <u>Hoth</u> .

Chapter 7 – Hebrew Adjectives

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אֶחָד	one	
גָּדוֹל	great, big, large	
דָּל	poor, weak, needy	The <u>Dalit</u> are the <i>poor, weak, needy</i> outcasts of Hinduism. {Geminate adjective}
זָקֵן	adjective: old noun: elder	The <i>old</i> man walks with <u>za-cane</u> .
חָכָם	wise, skillful, experienced	Get <i>wise</i> by asking “ <u>how come?</u> ”
טוֹב	good, pleasant	Song in Fiddler on the Roof: Mazel- <u>toy</u> means congratulations, but is literally <i>good-star</i> (good luck).
יְפֵה	beautiful	Tell a <i>beautiful</i> woman “ <u>Ya faih</u> ” [You’re fair]
יָשָׁר	upright, just, level, straight	The book of <u>Jashar</u> (Josh 10:13; 2 Sam 1:18) is the book of the <i>upright</i>
כֵּן	so, thus	<u>Cain</u> killed Abel, <i>so</i> he was banished.
לְכֵן	therefore	
עַל-כֵּן	therefore	
מְאֹד	very, exceedingly	<u>Ma</u> owed the bank <i>very</i> much.
מְעַט	little, few	<u>Matt</u> has <i>little</i> money.
עַתָּה	now, after all, at last, then	<u>Atah</u> <i>last!</i>
צַדִּיק	righteous, just, innocent	
קֹדֶשׁ	holiness, something that is holy	[Distinguish from קָדוֹשׁ by noting that קֹדֶשׁ is segholate, so it can’t be an adjective]
קָדוֹשׁ	holy	
קָטָן	small, young, insignificant	a <i>small, young</i> <u>kitten</u> .
קָרוֹב	near, close	<u>Karl Rove</u> is <i>close</i> to President Bush.
קָשָׁה	difficult, hard, severe	<u>Casheh</u> [cash] can be <i>difficult</i> for a student to get!
רְחוֹק	distant, remote, far away	
רַב	great, many	In Isa 36:2, the king of Assyria sent the <u>Rab</u> -shakeh (the <i>great</i> high one) to convince king Hezekiah to surrender. Toyota made a <i>great many</i> <u>Rav4</u> ’s. {Geminate adjective}
רַע	bad, evil, wicked	One shouldn’t cheer or say ‘ <u>Rah!</u> ’ for <i>evil</i> . {Geminate adjective}
רָשָׁע	wicked, guilty	President Regan thought that <u>Russia</u> was <i>wicked</i> .
שִׁיר	song	a <i>song</i> of <u>sheer</u> beauty (or about <u>shearing</u> sheep, or by <u>Cher</u>)

Chapter 8 – Hebrew Pronouns

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אֹהֶל	tent	
אֲחֵר	other, another, foreign	A <u>hair</u> from <i>another</i> woman was on his sweater.
אֵיךְ	how?	How could you? My heart <u>aches</u> ! Psalm 40 <u>aches</u> “How long?”
אֵיכָה	how?	How could you? My heart <u>aches</u> ! Psalm 40 <u>aches</u> “How long?”
אַלְפָּי	thousand	That elephant weighs a <i>thousand</i> pounds.
אֲשֶׁר	who, whom, that, which	She gave a <u>share</u> to the one <i>who</i> asked.
כְּאֲשֶׁר	as, when	= כֶּ + אֲשֶׁר = as + that → as
בְּהֵמָה	animal(s), beast(s), cattle	In Job 40:5, God told Job about the <i>animal</i> called <u>Behemoth</u> .
גַּם	also, even	Are you <u>also</u> <u>game</u> for it?
דָּם	blood	We are all from <u>Adam</u> ’s <i>blood</i> line. Jeffrey <u>Dahmer</u> shed much <i>blood</i> .
הֵ	interrogative particle	<u>Huh</u> ?
טָהוֹר	clean, pure	
כִּי	that, because, but, except, indeed, truly	<i>But</i> she said <i>that</i> it is <i>indeed</i> , <i>truly</i> the <u>key</u> .
כִּי־אִם	but, except, only	= כִּי + אִם = but + if → but
כָּסִיל	fool, shameless person	
לָמָּה	why?	Why did that <u>llama</u> spit on me?
לָמָּה	why?	Why did that <u>llama</u> spit on me?
מָה	what?	What, <u>ma</u> ?
מִדּוּעַ	why?	Why is it <u>mud-you-want</u> ?
מִי	who?	Who? <u>Me</u> ?
עָנִי	poor, humble, afflicted	Little Orphan <u>Annie</u> was <i>poor</i> & <i>afflicted</i> by a hard knock life
שֶׁמֶן	oil, fat	
שֹׁפֵט	one who judges, a judge	<u>Show fate</u> = what <i>a judge</i> does to a defendant.

Chapter 9 – Hebrew Pronominal Suffixes

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
או	or	
אֵין	there is not, there are not	<i>There are not any; I ain't got any.</i>
אִין	there is not, there are not	<i>There are not any; I ain't got any.</i>
אף	nostril, nose; anger	Someone bit the <i>nose off</i> of Tycho Brahe. That was <u>aft</u> [apt] to cause <i>anger</i> .
אָפִים	[dual of אף]	
בֹּקֶר	morning	I had to <u>boke her</u> [poke her] to wake her up this <i>morning</i> . <u>Booker</u> T Washington got up early in the <i>morning</i> .
בָּקָר	cattle, herd	
בְּרָכָה	blessing, gift	If your parents <u>bear a cah</u> [car] to you, that's a big <i>gift</i> . Jeremiah <i>blessed</i> his scribe <u>Baruch</u> .
הֵן	behold! if	<i>Behold!</i> If you do something <u>heinous</u> , you'll be in trouble.
הִנֵּה	behold!	
חַטָּאת	sin, sin offering [F]	Is it a <i>sin</i> if you don't take your <u>hat oth</u> [off] for the anthem?
יֵשׁ	there is, there are	<u>Yesh</u> , <i>there are</i> some bananas here.
כְּבוֹד	glory, splendor, honor, abundance	In 1 Sam 4:21, a baby was named <u>Ichabod</u> ('where is <i>glory</i> ?') because the ark of the covenant had been captured.
כֵּלִי	vessel, implement, weapon	<u>Clean</u> out the <i>vessel</i> . Put the <u>cauliflower</u> in the <i>vessel</i> .
לֶחֶם	bread, food	Beth- <u>lehem</u> means 'house of <i>bread</i> '.
לְבַד	alone, by oneself	<u>Leave-ad</u> me <i>alone</i> ! <u>Love had</u> the effect of making them not <i>alone</i> .
מִשְׁפָּחָה	family, clan	I <u>mish paha</u> [miss papa] in our <i>family</i> .
מִלְחָמָה	war, battle, struggle	The Hummer H2 is a civilian version of a <u>mil-Humma</u> (military Hummer) that is used in <i>war</i> .
סָבִיב	around, about, surroundings, circuit	<u>Savvy</u> people are aware of what happens <i>around</i> them.
עַם	people	The "I <u>am</u> " made all <i>people</i> . I <u>am</u> committed to seeing <i>people</i> come to Christ.
עֵץ	tree, wood	<u>It's</u> made of <i>wood</i> . Those <u>gates</u> are made of <i>wood</i> .

Chapter 10 – Hebrew Construct Chain

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אֶבֶן	stone [F]	Song: “Here I raise mine <u>Eben</u> -ezer” = <i>stone</i> of help. They baked with a <i>stone oven</i> .
אֲדָמָה	ground, land, earth	Related to ‘ <u>Adam</u> ’, the man made from the <i>ground</i> .
אֵיב	enemy	<u>Oh, yea[v]!</u> I have an <i>enemy!</i> <u>Oy vey!</u> my <i>enemy</i> is coming!
בָּשָׂר	flesh, meat, skin	It was pretty <u>bizarre</u> to eat <i>meat</i> with the <i>skin</i> on.
בְּרִית	covenant [F]	Moses <u>berated</u> them for <u>bereithing</u> [breaking] the <i>covenant</i> .
גְּבוּל	border, boundary, territory	This is the <i>border</i> of the <i>territory</i> of the <u>Gavool</u> . The <i>borders</i> <u>gavul</u> [get full] with immigrants.
חַיִל	strength, wealth, army	The Nazi <i>army</i> said ‘ <u>Heil</u> Hitler’.
חֶסֶד	loyalty, faithfulness, steadfast love, lovingkindness	
חֹדֶשׁ	month, new moon	We’ll have a <u>hoe-down dish</u> [this] <i>month</i> .
יָד	hand; side, power [F]	Put the ball in my <i>hand</i> . I’ll run five <u>yards</u> .
יָדוֹת	[plural of יָד]	
מָוֶת	death, dying	<u>Ma weth</u> [went] to heaven upon her <i>death</i> .
מוֹת	[construct of מָוֶת]	
מַטֵּה	staff, rod, tribe	What’s the <u>matteh</u> with your <i>tribe</i> ’s <i>staff</i> ?
מִדְבָּר	wilderness, desert, pasture	
עוֹד	again, still, as long as	I <u>owed</u> him money <i>again</i> .
עֵת	time, point of time [F]	Do it for the <u>eighth</u> <i>time</i> .
עֹלָה	whole burnt offering	<u>Holocaust</u> = a sacrifice that is completely burned up.
פָּנִים	face, front	
פָּנֵי	[construct of פָּנִים]	In Genesis 32:30 Jacob called the place <u>Peni</u> -el because he saw the <i>face</i> [פָּנֵי] of God [אֵל]
צֹאן	flock(s), flock of sheep and goats	a <i>flock</i> of <i>sheep</i> and <i>goats</i> playing a <u>zone</u> defense On <u>its own</u> , a <i>flock</i> will get lost.
רֶגֶל	foot [F]	<u>Rigel</u> is a star in the <i>foot</i> of the constellation Orion.

Chapter 11 – Hebrew Numbers

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אַמָּה	cubit, forearm	<u>Ahh mah!</u> I hurt my <i>forearm!</i>
אִם	mother [F]	Don't <u>aim</u> a water balloon at your <i>mother</i> .
בְּגָד	clothing, garment, covering	The <u>begged</u> -ar [beggar] had little <i>clothing</i> . He <u>begged</u> for <u>baggy</u> <i>clothes</i> .
זֶרַע	seed, offspring, descendants	Is <u>zer-a</u> <i>seed</i> in there? <u>Zera</u> [Sarah] bore Abraham's <i>seed</i> .
חֲצֵר	courtyard, village, settlement	The cooking made lots of <u>hots-air</u> in the <i>courtyard</i> and <i>village</i> .
לַיְלָה	night	
לָכֵן	therefore	
מוֹעֵד	appointed time (of feast), meeting place, assembly	
מַחֲנֶה	camp, army	
מַלְאָךְ	messenger, angel	The <i>messenger</i> of the king (מַלְאָךְ)
מַעֲשֵׂה	work, deed, act	I have <u>massive</u> amounts of <i>work</i> to do.
נָעַר	boy, youth, servant	There is <u>nary</u> a <i>youth</i> or <i>servant</i> here.
נַחְלָה	inheritance, property, possession	Sounds a little like <u>necklace</u> , which could be a nice inheritance.
עוֹן	transgression, iniquity, guilt, punishment (of sin)	According to <u>Avon</u> , I have a <i>transgression</i> of fashion.
קֶרֶב	inner part(s), organ(s), body	<u>Carob</u> is a chocolate substitute that is supposed to be better for the <i>inner parts</i> of your <i>body</i> . Take <u>care of</u> your <i>organs</i> and <i>body</i> .
בְּקֶרֶב	in the middle of, among	= בֵּ + קֶרֶב = in + inner part(s)
רַק	only, still, but, however	Her mother said to use a pizza pan, <i>but however</i> she <i>still only</i> put the pizza directly on the <u>rack</u> .
שָׁלוֹם	peace, welfare, wholeness, deliverance	
שָׁם	there, then, at that time	My <u>chamois</u> is <i>there</i> .
תָּמִיד	continually	My <u>tummy</u> is in <i>continually</i> in knots.

Chapter 12 – Introduction to Hebrew Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָכַל	to eat, consume	You get a <u>calorie</u> when you <i>eat</i> a <u>California</u> orange.
אָמַר	to say, mention, think	A <u>marriage</u> begins when you <i>say</i> ‘I do!’
הָלַךְ	to go, walk, behave, die, pass away	Because of <u>ha-lack</u> of <i>walking</i> , we’ll <i>die</i> unless we <i>go</i> exercise.
הָיָה	to be, become, happen, occur	<i>Be</i> a karate kid; say <u>hay-yah!</u> Related to הָיָה ‘I <i>am</i> ’
יָצָא	to go out, go forth, come out, come forth	
יָשַׁב	to sit (down), remain, dwell, inhabit	<i>Sit down</i> when <u>ya shave</u> . <u>Yes</u> have a <u>seat</u> .
נָתַן	to give, put, set	<u>Nathan-el</u> means ‘ <i>Gift of God</i> ’
עָשָׂה	to do, make, create	<i>Make us</i> a gift with a <u>saw</u> . { Also מַעֲשֵׂה means ‘ <i>deed</i> ’ }
רָאָה	to see, perceive, understand	Cheer “ <u>Raaahhh</u> ” when you <i>see</i> your team score.
שָׁבַת	to stop, cease, rest	The Israelites were supposed to <i>rest</i> on <u>Shabat</u> [the Sabbath].
שָׁמַע	to hear, listen to, understand, obey	The <u>Shema</u> is “ <i>Hear</i> O Israel, the LORD our God, the Lord ...”
אָרוֹן	ark, chest, coffin	high priest <u>Aaron</u> with the <u>ark</u>
מִנְחָה	gift, offering, tribute	Give a <u>mina</u> as an <i>offering</i> (Greek coin Lk 19)
שָׁבַת	Sabbath, period of rest	
אָדָּא	only, surely, nevertheless	<u>Surely only</u> <u>Achmed</u> can do it.
אֵל	no, not	<u>Al</u> says “ <i>no</i> ”. Rhyme אֵל, לֹא, <i>not, no</i> .
אִם	if	<u>Imagine</u> <i>if</i> you could have anything ...
לֹא	no, not	<u>Lo</u> and behold... <i>Not!</i> Rhyme אֵל, לֹא, <i>not, no</i> .

Chapter 13 Qal Perfect – Strong Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בָּרַךְ	to bless	Jeremiah <i>blessed</i> his scribe <u>Baruch</u> . בָּרַךְ = <i>blessing</i> . Many people view the election of <u>Barack</u> Obama as a <i>blessing</i> .
זָכַר	to remember, recall, call to mind, mention	<i>Remember</i> where you parked <u>za</u> car.
זָקַן	to be(come) old	When you <i>are old</i> , you may need <u>za</u> cane. {also the noun ‘elder’ and the adjective ‘old’}
חָזַק	to be(come) strong, grow firm, have courage	<u>Ha Zach!</u> You’re <i>strong</i> !
יָדַע	to know, know sexually, have understanding	<u>Yadda-yadda-yadda</u> . I <i>know</i> that already!
כָּבֵד	to be heavy, be honored	כָּבוֹד = glory, honor, possessions
כָּתַב	to write (upon) register, record	
מָלָא	to be full, fill	<i>To be full</i> after a huge feast in <u>Malaysia</u> . During the <u>melee</u> , the ring <i>was full</i> of wrestlers.
מָלַךְ	to be(come) king or queen, reign, rule	{ מֶלֶךְ is king }
מָצָא	to find (out), reach, obtain	<i>Find</i> the hidden <u>matzo</u> after a Passover meal
פָּקַד	to attend, pay attention to, take care of, number, appoint, visit	Captain Jean Luc <u>Picad</u> <i>visiting</i> the planets and <i>numbering</i> them
שָׁכַב	to lie down, have sexual intercourse	
שָׁלַח	to send, stretch out	<i>Stretch out</i> something before putting on a <u>shellac</u> .
שָׁמַר	to watch (over), guard, keep, observe, protect	a <u>shamurai</u> <i>guarding</i> a palace

Chapter 14 Qal Perfect – Weak Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בוא	to go in, enter, come to	<i>Enter</i> the cave, <u>bow</u> in hand
בנה	to build (up), build (establish) a family	<i>Build</i> a house from <u>bananas</u>
ילד	to bring forth, bear	<i>Bear</i> a child (ילד). The noun ילד with verb vowels.
ירא	to fear, be afraid, be in awe of	<i>Fear</i> sunburn from <u>ya-rays</u> of the sun.
ירד	to go down, come down, descend	<u>Ya'</u> rather <i>go down</i> hill.
לקח	to take, grasp, capture, seize, lay hold of	<i>Take</i> <u>la-cache</u> of treasure.
מות	to die	It's a <u>moot</u> point if you <i>die</i> . מות = death of
נפל	to fall, fall prostrate, fall upon	Don' <u>fall</u> !
נשא	to lift, carry, raise, bear (load or burden), take away	The <u>NASA</u> rocket <i>lifts</i> a satellite into space.
עלה	to go up, ascend	<i>Go up</i> singing “ <u>ah la</u> , la la la la.” Do Muslims seek to <i>ascend</i> to <u>Allah</u> ?
עבר	to pass over, pass through, pass by, cross	To add a <u>varnish</u> to something, <i>pass over</i> it with a brush.
עמד	to stand (up), stand still, take one's stand	<u>A mad</u> boy <i>standing</i> and yelling
קום	to rise, arise, get up, stand	Jesus told the dead girl, “Talitha <u>cum</u> !” which means, “little girl, <i>get up</i> !”
קרא	to call, summon, proclaim, announce, read aloud	<u>Cara</u> ! I'm <i>calling</i> you to <i>read aloud</i> .
שים	to set (up), put, place, lay (upon), establish	<i>Put</i> it on the <u>seam</u> .
שוב	to turn back, return, go back	<u>Shove</u> someone when they <i>turn back</i> .
פה	here, at this place	We are <u>poor</u> <i>here</i> .

Chapter 15 Qal Imperfect – Strong Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
חָיָה	to live, be alive, stay alive, revive, restore to life	חַי = living, alive; חַיִּים = life, lifetime {Don't confuse with הָיָה 'to be'}
יָכַל	to be able, be capable of, endure, prevail, be victorious	Coal advertising: <u>Ya, coal</u> is able to keep your house warm.
כָּרַת	to cut off, cut down, make a covenant	{Cutting is associated with making a covenant because animals were cut apart in a covenant-making ceremony.}
סוּר	to turn aside, turn off, leave	A <u>sewer</u> pipe <i>turning</i> . {Don't confuse with שׂוּר to wrestle}
עָבַד	to work, serve, toil, till, cultivate	עֶבֶד = servant {Don't confuse with אָבַד to perish}
עָנָה	to answer, respond, reply, testify	Answer the phone, <u>Anna</u> ! {Don't confuse with אָנָה to lament}
אָזַן	ear [F]	Don't you hate it when your <i>ears</i> are <u>frozen</u> ?
אֵיל	noun: ram, ruler adj: mighty	A <i>ram</i> going down the <u>aisle</u> of a grocery store.
גִּבּוֹר	adj: mighty, valiant, heroic noun: hero	The <i>mighty</i> Zsa Zsa <u>Gabor</u> assaulted a police officer.
זָבַח	sacrifice	מִזְבֵּחַ = altar
צַדִּיקָה	righteousness, righteous act, justice	צַדִּיק = righteous, just
צָפוֹן	north, northern [F]	Call Santa up <i>North</i> on <u>tsa</u> phone.
אָז	then, since, before	Dorothy in <u>Oz</u> , wondering what to do <i>then</i> . {Distinguish from with עָז strong, עֹז strength, and עֵז goat}
אֵף	also, indeed, even	He <i>even</i> did that <i>also</i> ? That's <u>awful</u> . {Homograph אָף means nose, nostril, anger}
פֶּן	lest, otherwise	Use a <u>pen</u> , <i>lest</i> it be erased.

Chapter 16 Qal Imperfect – Weak Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
גָּאַל	to redeem, deliver, act as kinsman, avenge	Jesus <i>redeeming</i> and <i>delivering</i> a <u>gal</u> . <i>Redemption</i> as the <u>goal</u> .
חָטָא	to miss (a goal or mark), sin, commit a sin	חָטָאת = sin, sin-offering
יָסַף	to add, continue	Gen 30:24 Rachel named him <u>Joseph</u> , saying, “May YHWH <i>add</i> to me another son!”
יָרַשׁ	to inherit, take possession of, dispossess, take away someone’s property	You’re <u>rash</u> to <i>take possession</i> of it.
כָּפַר	to cover, atone, make atonement	<u>Ca-phar</u> sounds like <i>cover</i> .
נָטָה	to spread out, stretch out, extend, pitch (a tent)	<i>Stretch out</i> a <u>net</u> .
עָזַב	to leave, forsake, abandon, set free, let go	Dorothy <i>leaving</i> <u>Oz</u> <i>avenue</i>
קָרַב	to approach, draw near, come near	קָרוֹב = near, close
רָבָה	to be(come) numerous, be(come) great, increase	רַב = great, many
שָׁתָה	to drink	<u>Shuth-tha</u> (Shut the) door and have a <i>drink</i> . The ice <u>should thaw</u> before you <i>drink</i> .
תָּמַם	to be(come) complete, cease, come to an end, be spent, be consumed, be burned out	It has <i>to be complete</i> before you turn it in to t’ <u>ma’am</u> .
כַּף	hand, palm, sole of foot [F]	<u>Cough</u> into the <i>palm</i> of your <i>hand</i> . A farmer holding a <u>calf</u> in the <i>palm</i> of her <i>hand</i>
רֵעַ	friend, companion, neighbor	A true <i>friend</i> is <u>rare</u> .
נָגַד	opposite, in front of	Metaphorically, we all stand <u>naked</u> <i>in front of</i> God.

Chapter 17 Waw Conversive

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָבַד	to perish, vanish, be(come) lost	<u>Evade</u> the trap or <i>perish</i> .
אָהַב	to love	<u>Ah</u> have you in my heart, <i>to love</i> you.
אָסַף	to gather (in), take in, take away, destroy	<i>To gather</i> the Psalms of <u>Asaph</u> <u>A saph</u> <i>gathering</i> to make maple syrup
בָּעַר	to burn (up), consume	Smokey the <u>Bear</u> <i>consuming</i> burning food.
גָּלָה	to uncover, reveal, disclose	<i>Reveal</i> the winner at a <u>gala</u> event.
טָהַר	to be clean, be pure	Use t' <u>hair</u> brush <i>to be clean</i> . טָהוֹר = clean, pure
כָּלָה	to (be) complete, be finished, come to an end	<u>Call</u> it off when it <i>is complete</i> .
רוּם	to be high, be exalted, rise	Isaiah saw the <i>high, exalted</i> throne <u>room</u> of God.
שָׁפַט	to judge, decide	שָׁפַט = judge
אֱמֶת	truth, fidelity [F]	Tell the <i>truth</i> or you'll end up in a <u>mess</u> .
כִּסֵּא	seat, chair, throne	<u>Kiss</u> a <i>throne</i>
מִסְפָּר	number	<u>Miss</u> par by a <i>number</i> of strokes.
עֶשֶׂר	ten	Queen <u>Esther</u> with <i>ten</i> maidservants
שֶׁמֶשׁ	sun	Beth <u>Shemesh</u> (a Levitical city) is 'house of the <i>sun</i> '.

Chapter 18 Qal Imperative, Cohortative, and Jussive

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בָּחַר	to choose, test, examine	<i>Choose</i> to go to a <u>bar</u> .
בִּין	to understand, perceive, consider	You <i>understand</i> ? That's using the old <u>bean</u> !
דָּרַשׁ	to seek, inquire, investigate, ask for, require, demand	<i>Seek</i> to find what caused <u>d' rash</u> .
הָרַג	to kill, slay	Hazael <i>killed</i> Ben-Hadad with <u>h' rag</u> . (2 Kgs 8:15)
חָפַץ	to delight in, take pleasure in, desire, be willing	<i>Take pleasure</i> and say "Ha!" to <u>fate</u>
טוֹב	to be good, be pleasing, be pleasant, be joyful, be well with	טוב is also an adjective, meaning <i>good, pleasant</i> .
קָדַשׁ	to be holy, set apart or consecrated	קָדוֹשׁ = holy.
רָעָה	to pasture, tend (flocks), shepherd, feed	Flocks <i>grazing</i> on <u>raw</u> meat
שָׁאַל	to ask (of), inquire (of), request, demand	King <u>Saul</u> 's name is 'you <i>asked</i> for it!'
בָּעַל	owner, master, husband, (divine title) Baal	The name of the idol <u>Baal</u> means ' <i>master</i> '.
שִׁבַּט	rod, staff, scepter, tribe	The <i>staff</i> of your <i>tribe</i> ? <u>Shave</u> it!
בָּעַד	behind, through	<u>Bad</u> guys sneaking up from <i>behind</i>
בְּעַד	behind, through	<u>Bad</u> guys sneaking up from <i>behind</i>
אֲשֵׁר	on account of	<u>Yawning</u> at someone's excuse "It happened <i>on account of</i> ..."
נָא	please, now; surely; particle often not translated	<i>Please</i> <u>now</u> may I have it?

Chapter 19 Pronominal Suffixes on Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בָּטַח	to trust, be confident, rely (upon)	It is <u>betta</u> to <i>trust</i> .
בָּכָה	to weep (in grief or joy), weep for	
לָבַשׁ	to put on a garment, clothe, be clothed	<u>La vash</u> (wash) the <i>clothing</i> .
שָׂרַף	to burn (completely), destroy	The <u>seraphs</u> are <i>burning</i> creatures.
שָׂרָף	fiery serpent	
שָׁלַם	to be complete, be finished	שָׁלוֹם = peace, welfare, wholeness, deliverance
דֹּר	generation	Imagine a multiple- <i>generation</i> family of <u>doors</u> . <u>Endure</u> for <i>generations</i> .
חוּץ	outside, street	The <u>huts</u> are <i>outside</i> , in the <i>street</i> . Take your <u>chutzpa</u> <i>outside</i> .
מְלָאכָה	work, occupation, service	<u>My lack o' work</u> is a problem. {Beware מְלַאֲךָ messenger, angel. Malachi = my messenger}
פָּר	bull, ox, steer	A <u>pair</u> of <i>bulls</i> .
פָּתַח	opening, entrance, doorway	
רַב	multitude, abundance, greatness	רַב = great, many
שָׂפָה	lip, language, edge, shore	She <u>suffered</u> from a paper cut on her <i>lip</i> . <u>So far</u> my <i>lips</i> are sealed. The <i>shore</i> only goes <u>so far</u> .

Chapter 20 Qal Infinitive Construct

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָחַז	to seize, grasp, take	<i>Seize</i> someone, saying, “ <u>I has you now!</u> ”
טָמֵא	to be(come) unclean	Imagine <u>Tammy</u> with mud all over her (<i>unclean</i>).
יָצַר	to form, fashion, shape, create	<u>Yachts</u> are <i>formed, fashioned, shaped, and created</i> .
נוּס	to flee, escape	<i>Flee</i> a hangman’s <u>noose</u> .
נָגַע	to touch, strike, reach	<u>No gal</u> has ever <i>touched</i> or <i>reached</i> that record before.
סָבַב	to turn, go around, march around, surround	<i>Turn around</i> to <u>savav</u> [save] someone. <u>Sav Ave</u> is where we turn around. סָבַב = around, about, surroundings, circuit
סָפַר	to count	<u>Suffering</u> while <i>counting</i> lots of stuff. סָפַר = scroll, book
שָׂמַח	to rejoice, be joyful, be glad	<i>Rejoicing</i> & kissing (<u>smack!</u>) my spouse
שָׁבַר	to break (up), break in pieces, smash, shatter	<u>Shove</u> ‘er and she’ll <i>break</i> .
יַחְדָּו	together, at the same time	
יָחַד	together, along with	
יַיִן	wine	Exclaiming “ <u>yaiyin!</u> ” upon drinking bad <i>wine</i>
עֲבָדָה	work, labor, service, worship	עָבַד = servant. <u>Avoid</u> ‘a <i>work</i> .
עֲבוּדָה	work, labor, service, worship	עָבַד = servant. <u>Avoid</u> ‘a <i>work</i> .
עֵדָה	congregation, assembly	Pastors <u>aid</u> a <i>congregation</i> . <u>Edify</u> the <i>congregation</i> .
בְּלֹאִי	not, except	It’s <i>not</i> <u>built t’</u> last.
לְבִלְתִּי	not, except	= לְ + בְּלֹאִי

Chapter 21 Qal Infinitive Absolute

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
זָבַח	to slaughter, sacrifice	זָבַח = sacrifice. מִזְבֵּיחַ = altar. <i>Za vacuum</i> must be <i>sacrificed</i> .
חָנָה	to decline, camp, encamp, lay siege to	<i>Hannabel encamping</i> around a city <i>Chunna</i> (gonna) <i>camp</i> here?
נָחַ	to rest, settle down	נֹחַ 'Noah' sounds like 'rest' (see Gen 5:29) a <i>new</i> apartment to <i>settle down</i> in
נָסַע	to pull (out or up), set out, start out, depart, journey, march	<i>NASA</i> enabled the astronauts to <i>depart</i> for their <i>journey</i> into space. Lt. Schultz (Hogan's Heroes) <i>departs</i> , saying "I see <i>nothing</i> !"
פָּנָה	to turn	<i>Turn</i> the knob to heat the <i>pan</i> .
פָּתַח	to open	<i>Open</i> a <i>path</i> .
רָדַף	to pursue, follow after, chase, persecute	bull <i>pursuing</i> someone with a red "F" shirt <i>Rud</i> after him in <i>pursuit</i> ! (said with a stuffy nose)
שָׂנֵא	to hate	God makes it <i>sunny</i> even for people who <i>hate</i> him. <i>Sunny</i> days? He <i>hates</i> 'em!
שָׂאַר	to remain, be left over, survive	<i>Remain</i> in the <i>sha'ar</i> (shower). {Don't confuse with שַׁעַר gate}
בָּמָה	(cultic) high place, hill	It's a <i>bumma</i> to climb the hill.
חֻקָּה	statute, ordinance	The <i>statute</i> against underage smoking includes using a <i>hookah</i> .
חֻקֹּת	[Plural of חֻקָּה]	
חֻקֹּת	[Plural of חֻקָּה]	
יָמִין	right hand, south [F]	<i>Ya' mean</i> my <i>right hand</i> ? <i>Benjamin</i> (בֵּן + יָמִין) means 'son of my <i>right hand</i> '
מִשְׁכָּן	dwelling place, tabernacle	Chapter 22: שָׁכַן = to settle, abide, reside, dwell, inhabit
נָחַל	stream, brook, wadi	I can <i>no</i> ' <i>haul</i> stuff through the <i>stream</i> .
רָעַב	famine, hunger	<i>Ravenous</i> <i>hunger</i> during a <i>famine</i>
רָעַב	hungry	I am <i>ravenously</i> <i>hungry</i> .

Chapter 22 Qal Participle

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָרַר	to curse	A <i>curse</i> : May you hear a “ <u>raar</u> ” of a lion coming to eat you.
בוֹשׁ	to be ashamed	Be <i>ashamed</i> after <u>boashing</u> [boasting].
גָּדַל	to grow up, be(come) great, become strong, wealthy or important	גָּדוֹל = great, big, large
חָשַׁב	to think, consider, devise, plan, value, esteem, reckon	Shave so that people <i>regard</i> you well
יָטַב	to be well with, go well with, be pleasing	טוֹב = good, pleasant
לָכַד	to take, capture, catch, seize	Seize <u>la CAD</u> database (an engineering term).
נָגַשׁ	to draw near, come near, approach	<i>Draw near</i> to examine a <u>knee gash</u> .
קָבַץ	to collect, gather, assemble	He <u>covets</u> stuff and <i>gathers</i> it.
קָבַר	to bury	<i>Bury</i> someone by <u>covering</u> with dirt
שָׁכַן	to settle, abide, reside, dwell, inhabit	<u>She can settle</u> here.
שָׁפַךְ	to pour (out), spill, shed (blood)	
חוֹמָה	wall	A mouse whose <u>home</u> is in the <i>wall</i> A <u>homa</u> (coma) puts a mental <i>wall</i> around a person
חָק	statute, appointed time, portion	חֻקָּה = statute, ordinance
כֶּבֶשׂ	lamb, sheep	

Chapter 23 Issues of Sentence Syntax

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אור	light, daylight, sunshine	An <u>orb</u> of <i>light</i> .
בְּכֹר	firstborn	
בְּכוֹר	firstborn	
חֲמָה	wrath, heat, poison	<u>Hey, ma!</u> That's <i>poison!</i>
חֲצִי	half, middle	
כֹּחַ	strength, power	
נְחֹשֶׁת	copper, bronze	2 Kgs 18:4 ... Hezekiah broke in pieces the <i>bronze</i> serpent that Moses had made, for until those days the people of Israel had made offerings to it (it was called <u>Nehushtan</u>).
נָשִׂיא	chief, leader, prince	
עֶרֶב	evening, sunset	The <u>air</u> of the <i>evening</i> . Lawrence of <u>Aravia</u> [Arabia] riding into the <i>sunset</i> .
עֵצָם	bone, skeleton	
פְּרִי	fruit, offspring	Eat lots of <i>fruit</i> in <u>Paris</u> , especially <u>pears</u> .
קָהָל	assembly, community, crowd	<u>Ca-hall</u> [call] the people to the <i>assembly</i> .
רֶכֶב	chariot, upper millstone, (collective) chariots or chariot riders	
לָשׁוֹן	tongue, language	Don't use your <i>tongue</i> to <u>lash</u> out <u>on</u> anyone.
תּוֹעֵבָה	abomination, abhorrence, offensive thing	

Chapter 24 The Niphal Stem – Strong Verbs

(N) = Niphal, (P) = Piel, (H) = Hiphil

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָמֵן	(N) to be reliable, be faithful, be trustworthy	Our word “ <u>Amen</u> ” is from the adverb אָמֵן, meaning “truly”
יִשָּׁע	(N) to be delivered, be victorious, receive help	יְהוֹשֻׁעַ ‘Joshua’ = יְהוָה + יִשָּׁע = YHWH is salvation
יָתַר	(N) to be left over, remain	“Is there any pizza <i>left over</i> ?” “ <u>Ya, there.</u> ”
כוֹן	(N) to be established, be steadfast, be ready	That <u>coon</u> (raccoon) is <i>steadfast</i> and <i>ready</i> in that tree
לָחַם	(N) to fight, do battle with	<i>Fight</i> over לָחַם (bread)
מָלַט	(N) to escape, flee to safety	<i>Escape, my lad!</i>
נָחַם	(N) to be sorry, regret, have compassion	I am <i>sorry</i> , but we have <u>no ham</u> to sell you.
נָכַח	(H) to strike, smite, beat, strike dead, destroy, injure	Exclaim “ <u>Na-Ha!</u> ” as <i>smite</i> someone with sword.
נָצַב	(N) to stand (firm), take one’s stand	In the Battle of the Bulge, the 101st airborne <i>took their stand</i> defending the city of Bastogne in Belgium. When the Germans demanded surrender, General McAuliffe answered, “ <u>Nuts!</u> ”
נָצַל	(N) to be rescued, be delivered	Bastogne (of “ <u>Nuts!</u> ”) was <u>all delivered</u> by the 3rd army, under General Patton.
סָתַר	(N) to be hidden, hide oneself	<i>To hide</i> a <u>satyr</u>
פָּלָא	(N) to be extraordinary, be wonderful, be too difficult	That <u>palace</u> is <i>extraordinary</i> and <i>wonderful</i> .
רוּץ	to run	Picture a plant <i>running</i> on its <u>roots</u> .
שָׁחַת	(P, H) to ruin, destroy, spoil, annihilate	
שָׁמַד	(N) to be exterminated, be destroyed, be annihilated	I am <u>sho mad</u> at the cockroaches that they will <i>be exterminated</i> .

Chapter 25 The Niphal Stem – Weak Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
הִפִּיךָ	to turn, overturn, overthrow, destroy	<i>Overturn</i> the case with <u>ha' fact</u> (a fact).
זָנָה	to commit fornication, be a harlot (prostitute), be unfaithful	
חָרָה	to be(come) hot, burn with anger, become angry	I'm <i>angry</i> that they cheated, so I won't say " <u>Harrah!</u> " that they won.
רָעָה	to be bad, be evil, be displeasing	רָע = bad, evil, wicked
שָׂבַע	to satisfy, be satiated, eat or drink one's fill	I'm <u>savang</u> (saving) up to go to the all-you-can-eat restaurant where I will <i>eat and drink my fill</i> until I am <i>satiated</i> .
שָׁכַח	to forget	I <u>shake</u> my pockets looking for my keys when I <i>forget</i> where put them.
שָׁמָה	to be deserted, be uninhabited, be desolated	
זָכַר	man, male	<i>Man</i> driving <u>za</u> car. {Beware זָכַר = to remember, recall, call to mind, mention}
חֹשֶׁךְ	darkness	
מוֹרֵשׁ	open land, pasture	That <u>MIG</u> is <u>rash</u> to fly over a <i>pasture</i> .
מַמְלָכָה	kingdom, dominion, reign	מֶלֶךְ = king, ruler
נָהַר	river, stream	נָחַל = stream, brook, wadi
צִדְקָה	righteousness, equity	צַדִּיק = righteous, just, innocent
רָעָה	shepherd	

Chapter 26 The Piel Stem – Strong Verbs

(N) = Niphal, (P) = Piel, (H) = Hiphil

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בָּקַשׁ	(P) to seek, search for, discover, demand, require	<i>Seek and demand b'cash</i> (the cash).
דָּבַר	(P) to speak	דָּבָר = word, matter, thing
הִלֵּל	(P) to praise, sing hallelujah	Hallelujah = הִלֵּל לַיהוָה = הִלֵּל + יהוה = praise! + Yahweh
יָדָע	(H) to thank, praise, confess	[Distinguish from יָדַע = to know, know sexually, have understanding]
כָּסָה	to cover, conceal, hide; (P) to cover (up), clothe	[Distinguish from כִּסֵּא = seat, chair, throne]
מָהֵר	(P) to hasten, hurry, go or come quickly	
נָבֵא	(N) to prophesy, be in a state of prophetic ecstasy	<i>Nava</i> (never) doubt the words of Isaiah the <i>prophet</i> . נָבִיא = prophet
נָבַט	(P) to look (at), gaze, behold	
סָגַר	to shut, close	<i>Shut</i> the lid of the <u>cigar</u> case.
צָוָה	(P) to command, give an order, charge	צָבָא = host, army, war, service
קָטַר	(P) to make a sacrifice go up in smoke, offer (a sacrifice) by burning	Imagine Arabs making <i>sacrifices go up in smoke</i> in the country of <u>Qatar</u> .
שָׁרַח	to sing	שִׁיר is also a noun meaning 'song'
שָׁתַח	to set, put, place	<i>Place</i> the sword in its <u>sheath</u> .
שָׁרַת	(P) to minister, serve, attend to the service of God	

Chapter 27 The Piel Stem – Weak Verbs

(N) = Niphal, (P) = Piel, (H) = Hiphil

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
גִּיר	to sojourn, dwell as a foreigner or alien	
יַעַץ	to advise, counsel, plan, decide	<u>Ya ats</u> (You ask) me <i>to advise</i> you.
לָמַד	to learn; (P) to teach	<u>Lamad</u> (Lamed) is one of the Hebrew letters you have <i>to learn</i> or <i>to teach</i> .
מָשַׁל	to rule, reign, govern, have dominion	<u>Ma shall</u> <i>rule</i> .
מָכַר	to sell, hand over	Sell <u>ma car</u> and <i>hand over</i> the keys.
עָזַר	to help, assist, come to the aid of	Azariah (עֲזַרְיָה) = עָזַר + יָהּ = Yah(weh) <i>helps</i> .
עָנָה	(P) to afflict, oppress, humiliate, violate	{Don't confuse with עָנָן = clouds, cloud mass}
קָלַל	to be small, be insignificant, be swift; (N, P) to declare cursed	
קָנָה	to get, acquire, buy	<u>Can ah</u> (I) <i>buy</i> it, dad?
רָכַב	to mount and ride, ride	רָכַב = chariot
שָׁחַט	to slaughter	
אָחוֹת	sister, relative, loved one [F]	אָח = brother
כָּנַף	wing, edge, extremity	
עָמַד	pillar, column, tent pole	עָמַד = to stand (up), stand still, take one's stand
שָׁקַר	lie, deception, falsehood	A <u>sheckered</u> (checkered) version of the truth is a <i>lie</i> .

Chapter 28 The Pual Stem – Strong Verbs

(H) = Hiphil

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָסַר	to tie, bind, fetter, imprison	It was a <u>sarry</u> (sorry) sight to see him <i>tied, bound, fettered, and imprisoned</i> .
זָעַק	to cry (out), call for help, summon	<i>Cry out to <u>Zack</u>, call for help, and summon him.</i>
הִזָּה	to see, behold, perceive	<u>Hazzah!</u> (Huzzah!). I finally <i>see</i> him!
חָלַהּ	to be(come) weak or tired, be(come) sick	<u>Hallah</u> (holler) if you <i>become weak or tired</i> . {Don't confuse with חָלַל = (P) to praise, sing hallelujah}
חָנַן	to be gracious to, show favor to, favor	<i>Be gracious to the people of <u>Hainan</u> Dao (the big island south of China).</i>
מָאָס	to refuse, reject, despise	
עוּר	to be awake, stir up	Abram needed <i>to be awake</i> to hear God <i>stir him up</i> to leave <u>Ur</u> .
עָרַךְ	to lay out, set in rows, arrange, stack (wood), draw up a battle formation	She <i>laid out</i> the shish kebabs on a <u>rack</u> , <i>set them in rows</i> , and <i>arranged</i> them on the grill.
רָחַץ	to wash, bathe	<u>Rahats!</u> (rats!) I have <i>to wash</i> again.
שָׂכַל	(H) to understand, comprehend, have insight, make wise, have success	A <u>Maskil</u> (מִשְׁכִּיל) is a type of psalm (e.g., Psalm 32). It might mean “a song that <i>makes wise</i> ” (i.e., wisdom song).
מִרְאָה	vision, sight, appearance	רָאָה = to see, perceive, understand
נֶגֶב	south, Negev	The <u>Negev</u> is the dry, <i>south</i> part of Israel.
עָפָר	dust, dry earth	That <i>dust</i> blew from <u>afar</u> .
פָּעַם	foot, pace, time [F]	<u>Pam</u> is tapping her <i>foot</i> because our <i>pace</i> takes too much <i>time</i> .

Chapter 29 The Pual Stem – Strong Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
לִין	to remain overnight, spend the night, stay, dwell	<i>Spend the night in a <u>lean</u>-to.</i>
מָשַׁח	to smear, anoint	
מָשִׁיחַ	anointed one, Messiah	
נָצַר	to keep watch, watch over, guard, protect, preserve	<i><u>Nuts are keeping watch</u>, guarding us.</i> {Distinguish from נָצַב to stand firm and נִצָּל to be rescued}
גֵר	stranger, sojourner, alien	<i><u>Gary</u> is a <i>stranger</i>.</i>
חַיָּה	animal, beast	<i>חַיָּה = to live, be alive, stay alive, revive, restore to life</i>
חֵלֶב	fat; (metaphorically) best, choice part	<i>He <u>levt</u> (left) the <i>fat</i> portions, <i>the best</i> part for the sacrifice.</i>
חֲמֹר	donkey	<i><u>Homer</u> is riding a <i>donkey</i> while reciting the Iliad.</i> Some people were looking for <u>hamor</u> (a more) regal king than one who came riding on a <i>donkey</i> .
יָתֵר	rest, remainder, excess	<i><u>Yeth, there</u> (Yes, there) is the <i>rest</i>.</i>
עוֹר	skin, hide, leather	<i><u>Gortex</u> is better than <i>leather</i> to cover your <i>skin</i>.</i> {Distinguish from אֹר = light, daylight, sunshine}
עֹז	strength, power, might	{Don't confuse with עֹז strong, אָז = then, since, or עֵז goat }
פְּשָׁע	transgression, rebellion, crime	<i>He said "<u>Pe-shaw</u>" to the law by committing a <i>transgression</i> or <i>crime</i>.</i>
קָצַה	end, border, outskirts	<i>She <u>catseh</u> (cuts) off the <i>end</i> of the cloth to make a <i>border</i>.</i>
שִׂמְחָה	joy, gladness	<i>שִׂמְחָה = to rejoice, be joyful, be glad</i>
תָּמִים	blameless, perfect, honest, devout	<i>תָּמִים = to be(come) complete, ...</i>

Chapter 30 The Hiphil Stem – Strong Verbs

(N) = Niphal, (P) = Piel, (H) = Hiphil

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
חָלַל	(N) to be defiled, defile oneself; (P) to profane, defile; (H) to let something be profaned, begin	{ Don't confuse with חָלַל = (P) to praise, sing hallelujah }
נָגַד	(H) to tell, announce, report, declare, inform	1 Sam 19:24 <i>reports</i> that Saul lay <u>naked</u> all day and night. { Don't confuse with נָגַד = opposite, in front of }
שָׁבַע	(N) to swear, take an oath; (H) to plead with someone	
שָׁלַח	(H) to send, throw (down, into or away), cast	<i>Send</i> it there to get a <u>shellac</u> put on it. { Don't confuse with שָׁלַח = to send, stretch out }
יָדַעַת	knowledge, understanding, ability [F]	יָדַעַת = to know, know sexually, have understanding
דָּלַת	door [F]	
הַמּוֹן	multitude, crowd, sound, roar	
זְרוּעַ	arm, forearm; (metaphorically) strength, power [F]	<u>Za rowa</u> (The rower) used her <i>arm</i> .
כְּרוּב	cherub	
פָּרַם	vineyard	
מַלְכוּת	kingdom, dominion, royal power	מָלַךְ = king, ruler { Distinguish from מַלְאָךְ = messenger and מְלָאכָה = work }
עֲצָה	counsel, plan, advice	<u>Ate's</u> (It's) good <i>advice</i> .
חָלַל	pierced, slain, defiled	{ Distinguish from חָלַל = (N) to be defiled, ... }
טָמֵא	unclean	טָמֵא is also the verb to be(come) unclean

Chapter 31 The Hiphil Stem – Weak Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אָוֹן	iniquity, wickedness, evildoer	Hosea 10:8 The high places of Aven (אָוֹן = wickedness), the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed.
אוֹצָר	treasure, treasury, storehouse	
אוֹת	sign, mark, pledge	This is the <i>sign</i> of my <u>oath</u> .
גֹּרֶל	lot, portion, allotment	
יְשׁוּעָה	salvation, help, deliverance	Joshua יְהוֹשֻׁעַ means YHWH is <i>salvation</i> .
מִקְנֵה	cattle, livestock, property	
מִשְׁמָרֶת	watch, guard, responsibility [F]	שָׁמַר = to watch (over), guard, keep, observe, protect
נִגַע	mark, plague, affliction	{Distinguish from נָגַע = to touch, strike, reach}
צָר	adversary, enemy	The <u>Tsar</u> was a formidable <i>adversary</i> .
קָדָם	east, ancient times	
קָרְבָן	gift, offering	In Mark 7:11, Jesus accused the Pharisees and scribes of allowing people to declare something to be <u>corban</u> (a <i>gift</i> to God) as a way of avoiding supporting their parents. {קָ has a Qamets Hatuf because it is closed and unaccented.}

Chapter 32 The Hophal Stem – Strong Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
אַרְז	cedar	{Distinguish from אָרֶץ = land, earth, ground}
צוּר	rock, boulder	{Distinguish from סוּר = to turn aside, turn off, leave}
קָרַן	horn [F]	<u>Karen</u> has a <i>horn</i> in her forehead!
קִשֶׁת	bow, weapon [F]	

Chapter 33 The Hophal Stem – Weak Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בֶּטֶן	belly, stomach, womb [F]	<i>Belly</i> <u>beten</u> (button)
הֶבֶל	vanity, futility, breath	The <i>vanity</i> and <i>futility</i> of life weigh <u>heavily</u> on the speaker in Ecclesiastes. Eccl 1:14 “All is vanity (הֶבֶל).”
חִרְפָּה	reproach, disgrace, shame	
מִזְרָח	east, sunrise	

Chapter 34 The Hithpael Stem – Strong Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
מִקְדָּשׁ	sanctuary	קִדְּשׁ = holiness, something that is holy. קָדוֹשׁ = holy
עוֹף	flying creatures, birds, insects	
עוֹף	to fly	
עָז	goat, goat's hair	{Distinguish from עָז strong, עֹז strength, and אָז = then, since}
פָּלַל	(Hithpael) to pray, make intercession	
קִיר	wall	Do you <u>kir</u> (care) what color I paint the <i>wall</i> ?
שׁוֹפָר	trumpet, ram's horn	

Chapter 35 The Hithpael Stem – Weak Verbs

Word	Meaning	Mnemonic
בַּרְזֵל	iron	Pumping <i>iron</i> <u>barzel</u> (bars).
עֵד	witness	She was unjustly accused, but the <i>witness</i> came to her <u>aid</u> .
צָרָה	distress, anxiety, trouble	<u>Sarah</u> is in <i>distress</i> .
שׂוֹר	ox, bull, cow	Can I borrow your <i>ox</i> to plow my field? <u>Shure</u> .
שֻׁלְחָן	table	
תְּפִלָּה	prayer	<u>Tefillin</u> are Jewish phylacteries, often used in <i>prayer</i> .