

Hebrew I: Understanding Hebrew Text – Fundamentals of Hebrew I
Hebrew College, Fall Semester 2010
Thursdays 6:30 - 9:15pm

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No pre-requisites

Students will begin learning basic Hebrew vocabulary and grammar needed to read authentic texts. The course begins with an introduction to Hebrew Alphabet and its vowels system, basic vocabulary and grammar (phonology, morphology, semantics, syntax, and pragmatics). There will be some in-class conversation in Hebrew, but the emphasis will be on developing reading comprehension skills. The pace of the course will be brisk, and a significant investment of study time outside the classroom will be expected.

Books: Alphon, by Ora Band, Behrman House Publisher
 Ivrit Shalav Aleph, by Ora Band, Behrman House Publisher

Dictionaries:

Hebrew-English, Oxford;
OR: “Rav Milon” by Edna Lauden and Liora Weinbach
Hebrew English/English Hebrew by Alcalay
Hebrew-Hebrew by Even Shushan
Rav Milim is an on-line dictionary available via HC library with your student ID

Supplements will be provided by Instructor; please bring Bible and Siddur regularly

October 7	Introduction to the Hebrew language and the curriculum Alphon Units 1-3
October 14	Alphon Units 4-6
October 21	Alphon Unit 7, SHALAV Aleph Unit 1
October 28	Shalav Aleph Unit 2

November 4	Shalav Aleph Unit 3
November 11	Shalav Aleph Unit 4
November 18	Shalav Aleph Unit 5
November 25	Thanksgiving – no class

December 2	Shalav Aleph Unit 6
December 9	Unit 7; Hanukka special
December 16	Unit 8
December 23	Unit 9

Winter vacation

January 6	Shalav Bet Unit 1
January 13	Shalav Bet Unit 2, 3 TBD

Notes:

1. Students who take this course for credit should discuss with the instructor the grading rubric.
2. This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.