

Yahweh's House of God
Sabbath School Success
Quick Reference Guide – Hebrew 101



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Common Greetings

Shabbat Shalom	Sabbath peace
Shavua Tov	Good week
Shalom	"hello" or "goodbye"
Mazel Tove	Good Luck

Family

Father	Aba
Mother	Ima
Wife	Isha
Husband	Baal
Sister	ahot
Brother	ah
Uncle	Dod
Aunt	Doda
Grandfather	Saba
Grandmother	Savta
Son	Ben
Daughter	Bat
Cousin	ben dod
Nephew	ahyan
Niece	ahyanit
Friend	haver

Counting

Zero	Efes
One	Ehad
Two	shnayim
Three	shlosa
Four	arbaa
Five	hamisha
Six	shisha
Seven	shiva
Eight	shmona
Nine	tisha
Ten	asara
Eleven	ahad-asara
Twelve	shneym-asara
Thirteen	shlosa-asara
Fourteen	arbaa-asara
Fifteen	hamisha-asara
Sixteen	shisha-asara
Seventeen	shiva-asara
Eighteen	shmona-asara
Nineteen	tisha-asara
Twenty	esrim
Twenty-one	esrim veehad
Twenty-two	esrim ushnayim
Twenty-three	esrim ushlosa
Twenty-four	esrim vearbaa

Sacred Name

YHWH	tetragramation for Yahweh
Yahshua	Jesus Christ (anointed)

Days of the Week

Sunday	Yom Ree-Shon
Monday	Yom She-Nee
Tuesday	Yom Shelee-She
Wednesday	Yom Re-Ve-ee
Thursday	Yom Hah-Mee-Shee
Friday	Yom Shee-Shee
Shabbat	Yom Sha-Bat

Hebrew Alphabet

Alef	א
Bet or Vet	ב or פ
Gimel	ג
Dalet	ד
Hey	ה
Vav	ו
Zayin	ז
Chet	ח
Tet	ט
Yod	י
Kaf	כ
Khaf	כף
Lamed	ל
Mem	מ
Nun	נ
Samech	ס
Ayin	ע
Pe	פ
Fe	פה
Tzade	צ
Qof	ק
Resh	ר
Shin	ש
Tav	ת

Blessing & Prayers

The Shema

Shema Yisrael Adonai Eloheinu Adonai Echad Baruch Shem Kevod Malchuto Leolam Vaed
Hear O Israel the Lord our God is one Lord. Blessed be his glorious kingdom forever.

Lighting the Candles

Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech Haolam Asher Kidshanu Benitzvotav Vetzivanu Lehadlik Ner Shell Shabbat
Blessed are you Oh Lord our God King of the Universe who has sanctified us with his commandments commanded us to kindle light of Shabbat.

Over Wine

Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha'olam Borei peri ha-gafen.
We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.

Over Bread

Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha'olam Hamotzi Lechem Meen Haaretz
We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe who Brings Forth bread from the earth.

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