

# Gutturals

א, ה, ח, ע and ר

## Dagesh Forte

Preceding vowel may lengthen to compensate for loss of consonantal doubling

resh resists doubling so qibbuts lengthens to holem

קַטַל (strong) vs קָטַל (weak)

ה and ח do not always cause compensatory lengthening. Trouble will be with doubled stems and some forms of nifal

# Shewa

1 Vocal Shewa always becomes composite Shewa

קַטַלּוּ שְׂאֵלוֹ

2 Silent Shewa in ACCENTED Syllable NOT compound

קַטַלְתִּי קַטַלְתֵּי

3 Pe-Gutturals that are syllable final (Hif, Hof, Qal Impf, N pft, part) REMEMBER THEME VOWELS

נִקְטַלּוּ (nif pft 3ms) vs נִקְטַלּוּ (a-class)

יִקְטַלּוּ (Qal impf 3ms) vs יִקְטַלּוּ (o-class)

BUT... יִחַמְדּוּ (Qal impf 3ms) vs יִחַמְדּוּ (a-class)

4 SPECIAL CASE (Pe-Gutt that closes a syllable (w/ silent shewa) and would be followed by a vocal shewa)

Compound Shewa cannot precede vocal shewa

נִקְטַלְתָּהּ vs נִקְטַלְתָּהּ vs נִקְטַלְתָּהּ

The silent shewa (first one) becomes full short vowel and the vocal shewa becomes silent (a preformative takes the corresponding short vowel)

# A-class Environment

When Ill-Gutt is Syllable-final & Accented it must be preceded by A-class vowel UNLESS the vowel is unchangeable, then use furtive patah

יִשְׁמַע vs יִקְטַלְתָּהּ

unchangeable=vowel letter (historic long)

הִשְׁמַע vs הִקְטַלְתָּהּ

For Il-Gutt the following vowel is changed only if the vowel is changeable

# Ill-heh

בנה

No Sufformative Final ה appears

Perfect Imperfect Imperative

However! When an OBJECT SUFFIX is added the ה will vanish!

# Sufformative Rules

CONSONANT Sufformative Vocalic Yod replaces ה

Qal, Hiph, Piel, Hitpael vs Niph, Pual, Hoph

VOWEL Sufformative ה disappears

Exception: Perf 3fs

Note: appears in forms that end in בנה

# Anomalies

1 3ms waw cons

וַיִּבְנוּ

3ms jussive

וַיִּבְנוּ

2 Inf C all stems

וְתֵן

וְתֵן

3 Qal Passive Participle - consonantal yod

בְּנוֹי

בְּנוֹי

The heh disappears due to apocope (the cutting off/disappearance of an unaccented vowel and/or consonant at the end of a word)

# I-Aleph

אמר

All except 5 verbs behave like I-Guttural

אמר אבה אכל אפה אבד

The groom said to his bride, "I am willing to eat anything you bake even if I perish."

For these five א quiesces in Qal Imperfect

# Special Cases:

יאמר vs ויאמר

EXCEPTION: לאמר

aleph quiesces in the inf construct with preposition lamed

# Ill-Aleph

מצא

א quiesces when syllable final

Preceding vowel lengthens to compensate

מצא vs קטל vs מצאתי vs קטלת

Note: no dagesh lene in א