

# CET Syllabus of Record



**Program:** CET Prague

**Course Title:** Intermediate Hebrew

**Course Code:** PR/LANG 205

**Total Hours:** 45

**Recommended Credits:** 3

**Primary Discipline:** Hebrew Language

**Language of Instruction:** Hebrew/English

**Prerequisites/Requirements:** Hebrew language Alef level course

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## Description

The course is defined as a continuation course for students that completed Hebrew language course on level Alef (according to the Alef-Vav system accepted at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and in most academic institutions). The course focuses on improving reading, writing and speaking skills in contemporary Hebrew. Participants will be able to use verbs (present, past and future tenses) in all active *binyanim* and partially in passive ones as well. Participants will gain abilities in diverting roots among *binyanim* (according to meaning, character and semantic fields), they will comprehend mid-level Hebrew texts on a range of different topics. Vocabulary and grammatical knowledge will comply with the Bet level of the Alef-Vav system.

## Objectives

- To gain better oral and written communication abilities in modern Hebrew
- To gain an enriching active vocabulary on different topics and fields of interest

## Course Requirements

Given the nature of language classes, which require students to practice communicating with one another, it is imperative that all students attend class regularly. Therefore, attendance is required and constitutes a part of the final grade. Students are expected to abide by CET's attendance policy.

Students are expected to come to class fully prepared. This means:

- Completing all homework assignments, written and spoken, on time
- Reviewing all newly-introduced material after each class
- Previewing all new grammar patterns and vocabulary before coming to class
- Writing compositions as assigned
- Memorizing new vocabulary
- Practicing Hebrew skills as much as possible outside of the classroom

## Methods of Evaluation

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The final grade is determined as follows:

Attendance	10%
Homework	15%
Participation and class performance	15%
Midterm and quizzes	20%
Final examination (written and oral)	40%

### Primary Texts

Students will be introduced to texts from the following sources:

- *Hebrew from Scratch Part 2*. Shlomit Chayat, Sarah Israeli, Hila Kobliner

### Supplementary Texts

List full bibliographic information for any supplementary or non-required readings. If you are unsure of what you will assign, feel free to list "Additional articles" or words to that effect. Other possible entries: films, websites, etc.

### Outline of Course Content

#### Week 1

- Test of writing skills (level א ). Listening comprehension of given text (song)
- Review of the Hebrew verb system (מערכת הבניינים, הווה ועבר)

#### Week 2

- A review of the system of binyanim. Preposition על.
- Impersonal sentence (כדאי יהיה לטייל מחר..)
- Conjugation of the preposition אותו. Order of the alefbet. Looking up words in the dictionary.

#### Week 3

- Searching in the dictionary – practice. Conjugation of the preposition אצל. Dual form. Phrases, slang.
- Nominal clause (יש \ אין). Possessive sentence - future (יהיה לנו זמן). Oral comprehension.

#### Week 4

- Declension of the words מ, מן. Relative clause. Complex sentence.
- Binyan qal (paal) conjugation of the verb type ע"ו. Causal conjunction and causal clause בגלל, מפני. Imperative and negative imperative.

#### Week 5

- Practice (future tense, verbs, syntax, prepositions). Conjugation of preposition בשביל
- Binyan qal (paal), future tense conjugation of the verb type פ, עה"פ, אפעול, אפעל, פה"פ, עה"פ ולה"פ. Condition clauses.

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### Week 6

- Binyan piel, future tense. Temporal (time) Clause (לפני שטסתי ליפן, למדתי יפנית). Conjugation of the word בלי
- Root of the verb ה.י.ה in the future tense. Binyan qal (paal), future tense conjugation of the verb type "ל"י ופה"פ. Conjugation of the word כמו.

### Week 7

- Binyan qal (paal) conjugation of the verb type פ"נ and פ"י, imperative.
- Practice (word order, future tense). Final adverb and final clause.

### Week 8

- Travelling seminar

### Week 9

- Word formations (mishkalim), interchanging roots among nouns and different verb binyanim.
- Quiz (mishkalim, interchanging roots, vocabulary), Benoni Paul form in Binyan qal, Gizrat HaShlemim and (שבור, עשוי) verb type "ל"י

### Week 10

- Benoni Paul formations and Tzurat HaNitan (שבור, שביר), Binyan Hitpaal in future tense conjugation.
- Conjugation of the word עצם, and the word בין. Vocabulary, unknown text, Binyan Huf-al, Gizrat HaShlemim in present tense, past tense and future tense, ערך ההפלגה ("המקום הנמוך ביותר").

### Week 11

- Binyan hif-il, Gizrat HaShlemim, Syntax: Ogdim (הלילה הוא שירים), written text, poetry.
- Conjugation of the word אל, Binyan Nif-al, Gizrat HaShlemim, present tense, past tense and future tense, greetings for different occasions, unknown text

### Week 12

- Quiz (future tense in different Binyanim, syntax and interchanging, vocabulary, oral comprehension), כינויי חיבור, poetry.
- Waiver sentences (למרות, אך על פי..), comparison sentences (התפוז בריא יותר), expressions and phrases, Hebrew in films, news article "מהלחמניה"

### Week 13

- Binyan Pi-el in "ל"י verb type, present tense, past tense and future tense, negative condition sentences ("אילו קראת, היית יודע", "לא היית רק בגן, אלא גם") (בגלריה).

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- Forming gerunds (**שם פעולה**) and automatic gerunds according to Binyan and verb characteristics, gerunds in plural and in Smichut (**סמיכות**), vocabulary, phrases, poetry

Week 14.

- High numbers, counting in masculine and feminine forms, the casual count ( **ספירה סתמית**), vocabulary, rehearsing the verb and Binyan structure, Gzarot and Mishkalim, acronyms and Sectorial Hebrew, Phrases and expressions.
- Final test (essay, written test and oral presentation).