



Qal Verbs Summaries

Qal Perfect Verbs

The Qal Perfect is the simplest verbal form that is generally used to express either simple (*past*) action in the active voice or stative description ("state of being"). For a given verb, lexical form is 3ms pa'al (i.e, XXX) if that exists in Hebrew.

Qal Perfect Verbs (strong)

simple (*past*) action in the active voice...

| Form | | Model Word: שָׁמַר |
|-------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| שָׁמַרְתִּי | - 1cs (אֲנִי) | שָׁמַרְתִּי - I kept |
| שָׁמַרְתָּ | - 2ms (אַתָּא) | שָׁמַרְתָּ - you kept |
| שָׁמַרְתְּ | - 2fs (אַתְּ) | שָׁמַרְתְּ - you kept |
| שָׁמַר | - 3ms (הוּא) | שָׁמַר - he/it kept |
| שָׁמְרָה | - 3fs (הִיא) | שָׁמְרָה - she/it kept |
| שָׁמַרְנוּ | - 1cpl (אֲנֵינוּ) | שָׁמַרְנוּ - we kept |
| שָׁמַרְתֶּם | - 2mpl (אַתֶּם) | שָׁמַרְתֶּם - you kept |
| שָׁמַרְתֶּן | - 2fpl (אַתֶּן) | שָׁמַרְתֶּן - you kept |
| שָׁמְרוּ | - 3cpl (הֵם/הֵן) | שָׁמְרוּ - they kept |

Qal Perfect Suffixes

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|------------------|-------------------|
| שָׁמַרְתִּי - I | שָׁמַרְנוּ - we |
| שָׁמַרְתָּ - you | שָׁמַרְתֶּם - you |
| שָׁמַר - he | שָׁמַרְתֶּן - you |
| שָׁמְרָה - she | שָׁמְרוּ - they |



Qal Verbs Summaries

Qal Imperfect Verbs

The Qal (i.e., pa'al) imperfect verb is generally used to indicate an incomplete action that either occurs in the present or in the *future*. For a given verb, lexical form is 3ms pa'al (i.e., XXX) if that exists in Hebrew.

| Qal Imperfect Verbs (strong) | | |
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| simple incomplete (future) action, active voice... | | |
| Form | | Model Word: שָׁמַר |
| □□□א | - 1cs (אֲנִי) | אֲשַׁמֵּר - I will keep |
| □□□ת | - 2ms (אַתָּא) | תִּשְׁמַר - you will keep |
| י□□□ת | - 2fs (אַתְּ) | תִּשְׁמְרִי - you will keep |
| □□□י | - 3ms (הוּא) | יִשְׁמַר - he will keep |
| □□□ת | - 3fs (הִיא) | תִּשְׁמַר - she will keep |
| □□□נ | - 1cpl (אֲנַחְנֵנוּ) | נִשְׁמַר - we will keep |
| י□□□ו | - 2mpl (אַתֶּם) | תִּשְׁמְרוּ - you will keep |
| י□□□ו | - 3mpl (הֵם) | יִשְׁמְרוּ - they will keep |
| י□□□ו | - 2fpl (אַתֶּן) | תִּשְׁמְנָה - you will keep |
| י□□□ו | - 3mpl (הֵם) | יִשְׁמְרוּ - they will keep |
| י□□□ו | - 3fpl (הֵן) | תִּשְׁמְנָה - they will keep |

Qal Imperfect Prefixes and Suffixes

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|-----|--------------|-----|-----------------|
| - א | I | - נ | we |
| - ת | you, he, she | - ת | you (pl) |
| - י | he, they | נה- | you, they (fpl) |
| י - | you (fs) | ו- | they (mpl) |



Qal Participles Summary Cards

Active participles often function as attributive or predicative adjectives, though they can also serve as a verb or a noun. Active participles express verbal action in an active voice, meaning what is described by the participle performs the action expressed by the participle. Notice that the endings are the same as adjective endings:

| Qal Active Participles | |
|--|---|
| verbal adj/n; active voice (performs action) | |
| Form | Example |
| □□ו□ - 1,2,3 ms | שׁוֹמֵר יִשְׂרָאֵל - “Watcher of Israel” |
| □□ו□□ים - 1,2,3 mpl | אַתֶּם יוֹשְׁבִים - “you are dwelling” |
| □□ו□□ת - 1,2,3 fs | יוֹשֶׁבֶת צִיּוֹן - “inhabitant of Zion” |
| □□ו□□ות - 1,2,3 fpl | עַמְדוֹת רַגְלֵינוּ - “our feet are standing” |

Passive participles often function as attributive or predicative adjectives, though they can also a substantive noun. Passive participles express verbal action in a passive voice, meaning what is described by the participle receives the action expressed by the participle. Notice that the endings are *similar* to adjective endings:

| Qal Passive Participles | |
|---|--|
| verbal adj/n; passive voice (receives action) | |
| Form | Example |
| □□ו□□ - 1,2,3 ms | בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה - “blessed are you...” |
| □□ו□□ים - 1,2,3 mpl | אַתֶּם בְּרוּכִים - “you are blessed...” |
| □□ו□□ה - 1,2,3 fs | בְּרוּכָה אַתְּ - “blessed are you...” |
| □□ו□□ות - 1,2,3 fpl | הֵן בְּרוּכוֹת - “they are blessed” |