

LESSON 3

I Samuel 22:1 **וַיִּלֶךְ דָּוִד מִשָּׁם**

The first word in this verse is new but there are some unmistakable observations:

1. The waw with the patah that starts the word is:



2. The yod marks the 3rd person, masculine, singular prefix form or: _____

But after those two observations things seem different. But the biggest problem is that we're left with only two consonant! What's up with that???

Here's the secret:

You can determine where the letter is missing (ie, beginning, middle, or end) and



even which letter is missing, by the _____ underneath the _____.

Here is what Kittel says about this rule:

When a root letter is missing from a prefix form of the verb, the position of the missing letter and also which letter is missing is indicated by the vowel under the prefix consonant. If this vowel is tsere ֵ then the root letter is missing from the beginning of the root and will usually be a **ל**

Please notice the word usually!
Because there is one very notable exception. And, yes, you guessed it. It's

this very word. In this word the missing consonant is: Can you guess it?

It is the _____ and is our old vocab word:



It means: _____

<u>ROOT</u>	<u>STEM</u>	<u>FORM</u>	<u>PERSON/GENDER/NUMBER</u>	<u>SPECIAL FEATURES</u>
הלך	Qal	<u>Prefix</u> <u>Preterite</u>	<u>3rd, Masc, Sing</u>	<u>Waw conversive/ consecutive</u>

We know how translate this already: _____

Our next word is in the expected place for the subject to appear: _____

A similar things happens in many English words as well. Let me show you a few of them:

This assimilation of letters, or the dropping out of one and the doubling of its neighbor, can be seen in many places in English.

in + mobile	→	im mobile
in + mature	→	im mature
in + logical	→	il logical
in + legal	→	il legal
in + reverent	→	ir reverent
in + rational	→	ir rational

Notice that the “n” is gone and the next consonant receives a daggesh forte. Well, in English it just doubles! That’s what happens in Hebrew as well!

שָׁם means *there*.

מִשָּׁם means *from there*.

So the translation is: _____

David departed from there (ESV)

So David departed from there (NASB)

So David left Gath (HCSB, NLT)

David fled from the city of Gath (GNB)

David therefore departed thence (KJV)

So David escaped from that place (GWT)

When David escaped from the town of Gath (CEV)

What does the various translations tell you about the translator’s approaches?

HOMEWORK FOR LESSON THREE

Genesis 22:13 וַיִּלֶךְ אַבְרָהָם

Genesis 8:15 [נִחַ famous architect] וַיְדַבֵּר אֱלֹהִים אֶל-נִחַ

1 Samuel 15:32 וַיִּלֶךְ אֵלָיו

Genesis 26:17 [son of אַבְרָהָם ← וַיִּצְחָק] וַיִּלֶךְ מִשָּׁם יִצְחָק

2 Chronicles 1:8 [son of דָּוִד ← שְׁלֹמֹה] וַיֹּאמֶר שְׁלֹמֹה

Genesis 22:13 _____

Genesis 8:15 _____

1 Samuel 15:32 _____

Genesis 26:17 _____

2 Chronicles 1:8 _____

Vocabulary for Lesson Three

27	רָאָה	Q: see, look at N: appear, be seen H: show, cause to see
28	עַד	as far as, until, while
29	אָב	father, ancestor
30	שָׁמַע	Q: hear, listen to, obey H: proclaim, announce
31	דָּבַר	P: speak
32	זֶה	this one, this
33	עִיר	town, city
34	יָשַׁב	Q: sit, remain, dwell H: set, place, cause to dwell
35	יָצָא	Q: go forth, come out H: bring out, take out
36	דָּוִד	David
37	שׁוּב	Q: turn back, return P: bring back, restore H: bring back, turn back
38	הִנֵּה הֵן	behold! lo! see! here! now! look!
39	עִם	with, beside
40	לָקַח	Q: take, receive N: be taken
41	אֶחָד	one, first, once, each
42	יָדַע	Q: know N: be known P: cause to know H: make known, declare
43	אִם	if