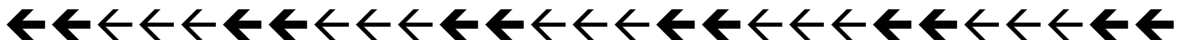


Absolute Beginner Prayerbook Hebrew #3

בְּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְבוֹד מְלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד



and ever
va-ed

forever
l-oh-lam

his kingdom
mal-choot-toh

glory
c-vohd

the name of
sheim

Blessed is
ba-rooch

Name	Sound	Letter	Name	Sound	Letter
Beit	B	בּ	Veit	V	ב
Chaf	Ch in loch	כּ	Dalet	D	דּ
Chaf Sofit	Ch in loch	ך	Caf	C in cat	כף
Tav	T	תּ	Mem Sofit	M	ם
Holem	oh	וּ			

Notes:

- 1) There are several letters, often called “doubles” or bagad kafat (בגדכפת) which have different sounds when a Dagesh (dot) is found in the letter.
- 2) The Ch of Chaf (כּ) becomes C of Caf(כף) with the dagesh.
- 3) The V of Veit (בּ) becomes the B of Beit (ב) with the dagesh
- 4) Some like Dalet דּ have lost their second sounds, but they still have the dagesh at the beginning of a closed syllable
- 5) In Modern and Sephardic Hebrew, the Tav only has the T sound, but in Ashkenazic Hebrew it has two. You might hear the form without the dagesh (ת) as an S and with (תּ) as a T. We will use only T.
- 6) Some letters change shape at the end of the word. These are called *Sofit*.
- 7) For Mem (מּ) the sofit is (ם)
- 8) For Chaf (כּ) the sofit is (ך)
- 9) The Holem (וּ) might be a vav with a dot on top. This is a vowel and the V is not pronounced.