



HDC Hebrew High Course Curriculum

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Welcome to HDC Hebrew High program. HDC Hebrew High curriculum includes up to four academic years of Hebrew language, and participants can begin the program in a class that matches their current level of knowledge. The program is open to public school students attending 9th to 12th grades. It is an excellent opportunity to learn the Hebrew language. Furthermore, the program presents Hebrew as a living language with a rich and meaningful culture.

The goal of the program is that students should:

- Be able to read Hebrew with understanding and fluency.
- Be able to write and identify Hebrew letters in writing.
- Be able to understand the language and carry on a conversation conveying their ideas clearly
- Develop love for the Hebrew language.
- Be able to analyze, categorize, and draw conclusions while studying Hebrew literature.
- Master the Hebrew language and its connection to Jewish culture.

Students will achieve the stated goals by:

- Working with Hebrew textbooks on their level.
- Reading Israeli newspapers.
- Reading and analyzing stories.
- Working with grammar on their level.
- Learning to work with a dictionary and spell check, as well as using a Hebrew dictionary.

HDC offers four levels: Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, and Honors.

Basic:

This level is open for students with very little or no Hebrew background. The class gives them the opportunity to master the fundamentals of the language. Initially, this class is conducted in Hebrew and in English. As the students' Hebrew vocabulary increases, less English is used in the class. By end of the course students will be able to:

- Read Hebrew fluently.
- Write using cursive.
- Conjugate present tense in Binyan Pa'al.
- Write the infinitive in Binyan Pa'al.
- Has vocabulary that relates to: family, food, clothes, days of the week, numbers.



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Intermediate:

In this level we start the year by reviewing the material and information presented from the previous year to make sure that all the students know and understand Hebrew on the same level, as far as grammar, sentence structure, and vocabulary. After reviewing, we start stitching new material such as:

- Conjugate present and past tense in Binyanim, Pa'al, Pi'el, and Hitpa'el.
- Learn proper pronoun usage.
- Use the infinitive and the verbs that should be followed by the infinitive.
- Learn to carry short conversations.
- Read and comprehend writing without vowels.
- Learn how to use proposition words in sentences the correct way.
- Learn to count in Hebrew and differ between masculine and feminine nouns.
- Vocabulary enrichment.

Advanced:

In this level, the students have established a strong Hebrew background and will be able to:

- Learn to read and comprehend short stories.
- Write short essays (2 paragraphs), explaining a topic.
- Conjugate Binyan Hif'il.
- Learn to use coordinating and subordinating conjunction words in a correct form.
- Use the construct state Smichut when should be used.
- Increase the vocabulary in different subjects by appx. 300 words.

Honors:

In this level, after strengthening the students' grammar level and language skills, students will learn Hebrew literature and increase the students understanding of the linguistic content of sophisticated stories and poetry. The students will learn how to:

- Read and comprehend Hebrew on a literature level.
- Analyze stories and discuss their content and morals.
- Write and express themselves in sophisticated Hebrew.
- Write short essays that consist of at least 3 paragraphs.
- Read short articles in Israeli newspapers and discuss it.
- Learn the passive forms of Binyanin: Nif'al, Pu'al, and Huf'al, as well as be able to switch a sentence from active to passive.