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matres lectionis					
sounds	a	e	i	o	u
long	qamets ¹  (ba <u>ll</u>)	tserere/tserere yod ²  (the <u>y</u>)	hirek yod ³  (ma <u>ch</u> ine)	holem/holem vav ²  (o <u>p</u> en)	shurek  (lu <u>r</u> e)
short	patach  (ba <u>ll</u>)	segol  (be <u>t</u>)	hirek  (hi <u>t</u>)	qamets hatuph  (o <u>n</u>)	qibbuts  (u <u>n</u> der)
half / reduced (short in duration)	hataph patach  (ba <u>ll</u>)	hataph segol  (be <u>t</u>)	sheva  (ca <u>r</u> een)	hataph qamets  (o <u>n</u>)	

1. Qamets He () is also a vowel. It is pronounced like the qamets and it only occurs at the end of a word.
2. These vowels frequently occur both with and without the matres.
3. This vowel will infrequently occur without the matre.

Hebrew Vowels - Full Chart

matres lectionis					
sounds	a	e	i	o	u
historically long	qamets he ¹  (ball) / â	tsere yod  (they) / ê	hirek yod  (machine) / î	holem waw  (open) / ô	shurek  (lure) / û
long	qamets  (ball) / ā	tsere  (they) / ē	hirek ²  (machine) / ī	holem  (open) / ō	qibbut ²  (lure) / ū
short	patach  (ball) / a	segol  (bet) / e	hirek ²  (hit) / i	qamets hatuph  (on) / o	qibbut ²  (under) / u
half / reduced (short in duration)	hataph patach  (ball) / ă	hataph segol  (bet) / ě	sheva  (caren) / e	hataph qamets  (on) / ǝ	

1. Qamets He (יָ) occurs only at the end of a word.

2. Both hirek and qibbut can be long or short. Assume the vowel is short unless it is in an open or stress syllable.