

Rocine Lesson 9

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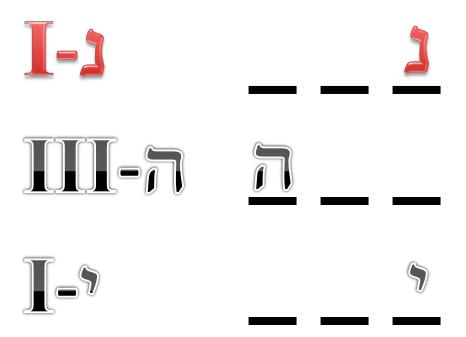
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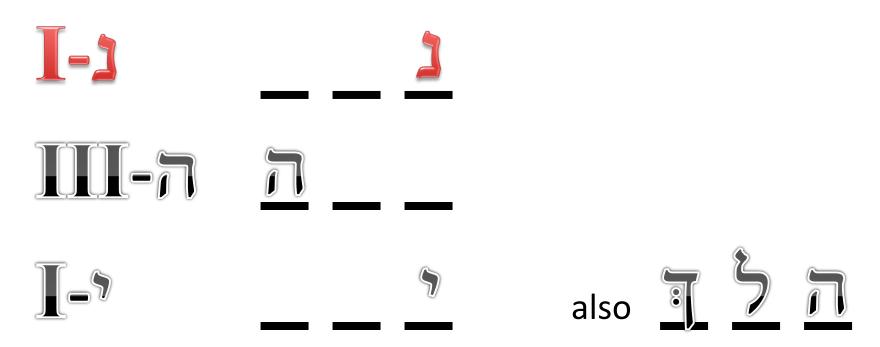




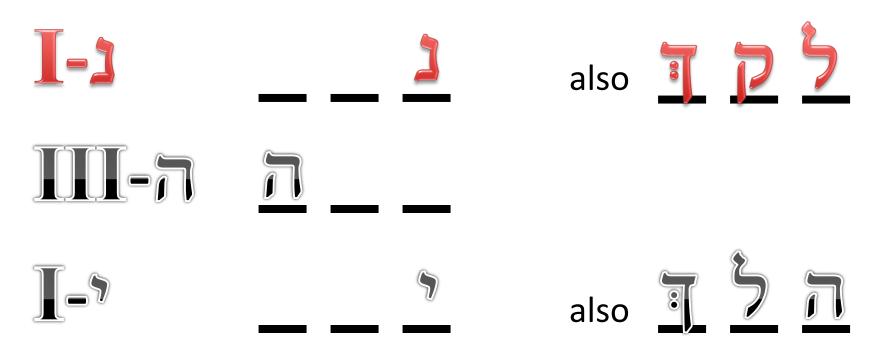






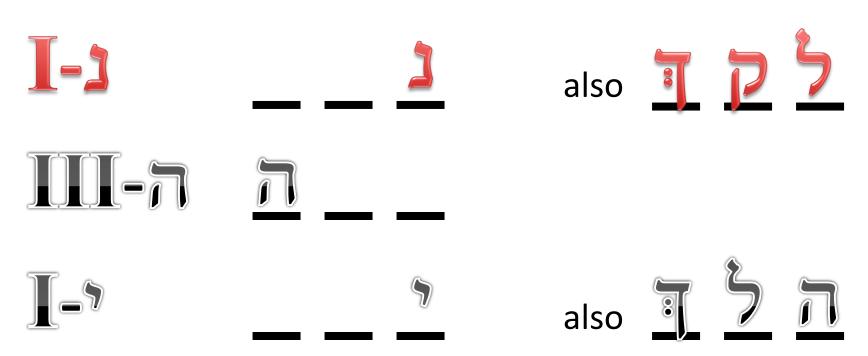








• Identify and read Qal wayyiqtol forms derived from first nun [ג] roots and לקח.



Just to be clear... There is no such thing as I-ה or I-ל verbs. These are not classes of verbs. הלך and לקח and לקח are just two individual verbs, albeit very common verbs, that happen to follow the I-י and I-j patterns respectively.

What we already know

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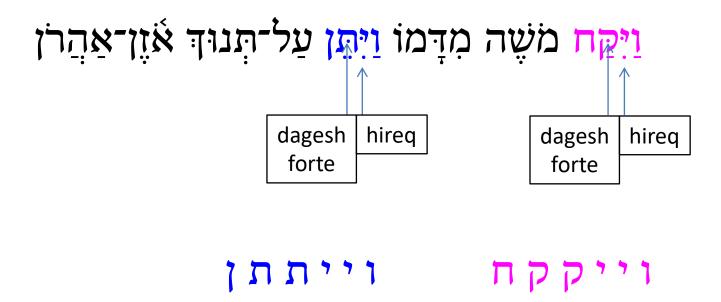
- How many wayyiqtols can you spot?
- What does a string of wayyiqtols indicate?

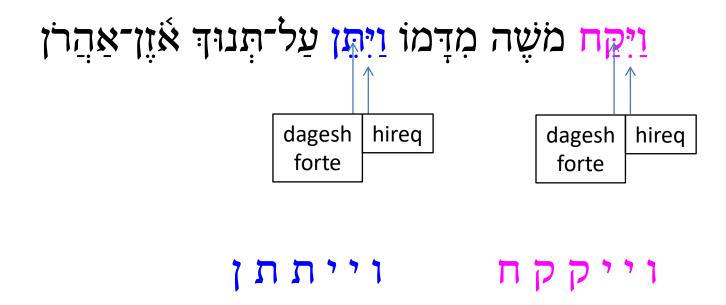
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Examining our two wayyiqtols you should notice some similarities.

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- What kind of dagesh is in the consonant following the prefix?

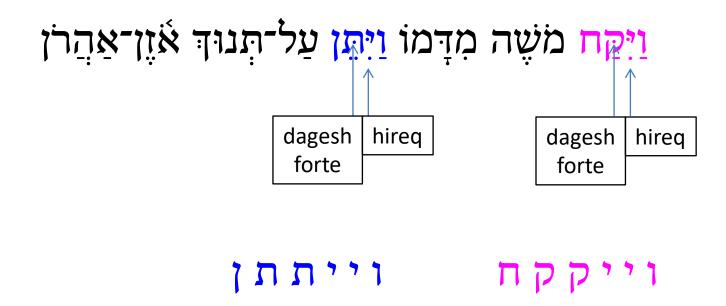






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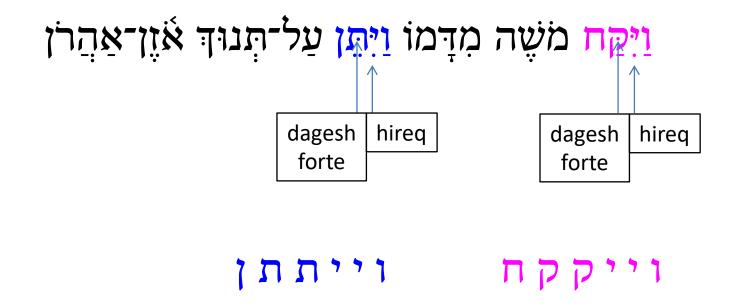
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It's a first Nun verb where the first Nun has assimilated to the next consonant so you get two of them and it is written as a dagesh forte.

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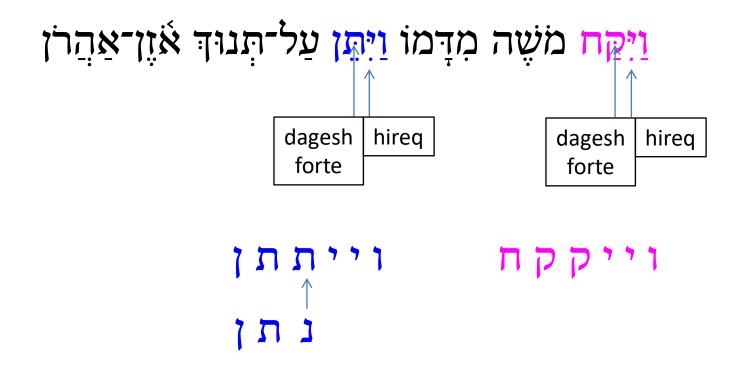
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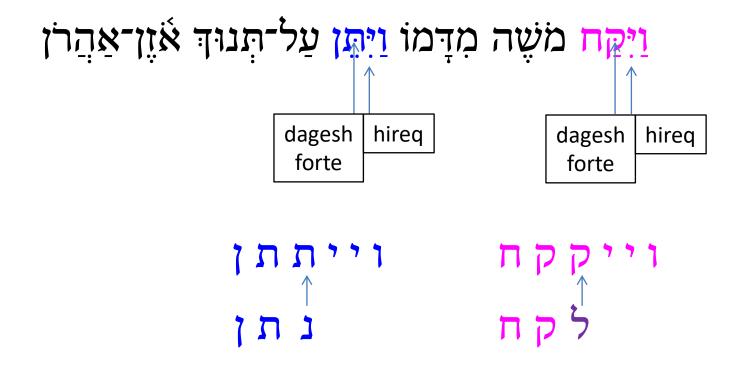
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In Hebrew, the resulting double letter is written with a dagesh forte.



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Missing Letter Rule #3

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RULE:

When the first root letter which appears in the wayyiqtol (or yiqtol) verb form is doubled by a dagesh forte,

- the first root letter is a missing first nun
- or the special case of the first lamed לקח meaning "take".

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Rocine calls the dagesh resulting from an assimilated nun a "dagesh footprint".

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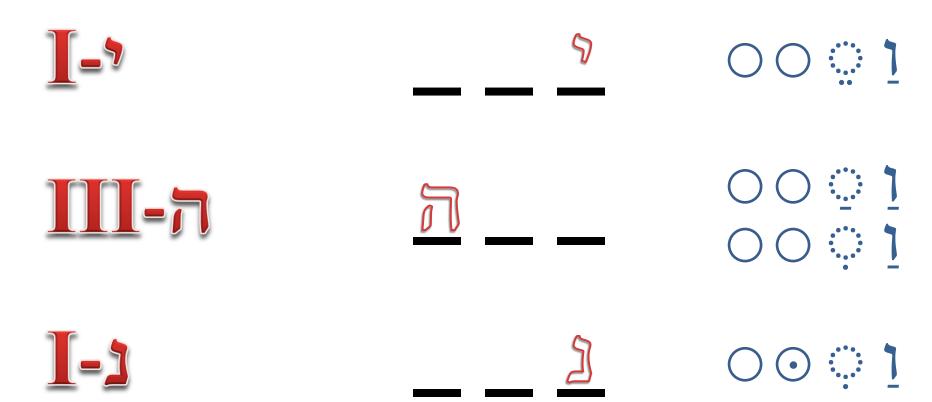
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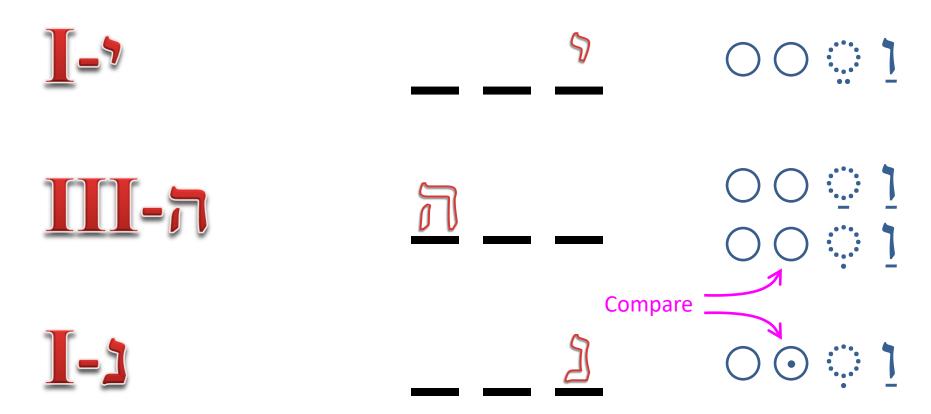
Genesis 45:15 And he kissed [Piel]...

Nun does NOT assimilate because it is in an open syllable. No intervening vowel between it and the next consonant. It is at the end of a closed syllable that Nun will tend to assimilate.

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Note the dagesh in the following dalet. This is an assimilated nun, a "footprint dagesh", as we have seen with I-Nun verbs. See Animatedhebrew Lecture 8 - Preposition Min (11:25) for details.

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