

# Temple B'nai Israel Hebrew Courses Spring & Summer 2010 Schedule of Classes

To: All Adults and Students Interested in Learning Hebrew - **Open to the Public**  
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Temple B'nai Israel (**TBI**) will be offering Spring and Summer 2010 Hebrew Courses at several Basic and Intermediate Levels. Courses are open to the entire local community and are designed for participants of all faiths, ages 10 and up (exceptions can be made for younger children who attend classes together with their parents). Each course is presented in 20 hours of classroom time. This is a nice opportunity for parents and/or children to take their Hebrew skills to the "next" level, and learn more about this wonderful and holy language.

Spring and Fall courses typically meet on Sunday mornings from 7:15 am – 9:15 am at Temple B'nai Israel. Summer courses typically meet either on Sunday mornings from 8:00 am – 10:30 am or Saturday afternoons from 1:15 pm – 3:45 pm, depending upon course level and instructor availability.

<b>SPRING 2010 Semester: 20 hours (10 classes – each 2.0 hours)</b>			
Month	Dates	Time of Day	Activity
February	21, 28	7:15 am - 9:15 am	Refresher + Class
March	7, 14, 21	7:15 am - 9:15 am	Class
April	4, 11, 18, 25	7:15 am - 9:15 am	Class
May	9	7:15 am - 9:15 am	Class

**SUMMER 2010**  
 SATURDAY afternoons  
  
 Class Schedule for  
 Intermediate Courses

<b>SUMMER 2010 Semester: 20 hours (8 classes – each 2.5 hours)</b>			
Month	Dates	Time of Day	Activity
June	12, 19, 26	1:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Refresher + Class
July	10, 17, 24, 31	1:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Class
August	7	1:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Class

**SUMMER 2010**  
 SUNDAY mornings  
  
 Class Schedule for  
 Basic Courses

<b>SUMMER 2010 Semester: 20 hours (8 classes – each 2.5 hours)</b>			
Month	Dates	Time of Day	Activity
June	13, 20, 27	8:00 am - 10:30 am	Refresher + Class
July	11, 18, 25	8:00 am - 10:30 am	Class
August	1, 8	8:00 am - 10:30 am	Class

**Please note:** TBI reserves the right to cancel, without notice, any class not meeting minimum enrollment requirements.

# Temple B'nai Israel Hebrew Courses

## Descriptions of Classes Offered

### Schedule of Book Fees and Suggested Donations

Courses	Group Size	Member Donation*	Non-Member Donation*	Book Fees
<b>Preliminary Hebrew</b> 20 class hours / semester	person	\$30	\$45	\$15
	couple	\$45	\$70	
	family	\$60	\$90	
<b>Basic Hebrew</b> Levels 2-4 20 class hours / semester	person	\$30	\$45	\$15
	couple	\$45	\$70	
	family	\$60	\$90	
<b>Intermediate Hebrew</b> Levels 5-7 20 class hours / semester	person	\$60	\$90	\$15
	couple	\$90	\$140	
	family	\$120	\$180	

***Classes not meeting enrollment minimums may be canceled.***

\* Students enrolled in TBI Sunday school and TBI teaching staff pay book fees only

Donation amounts are **suggestions** – students are welcome regardless of what they can pay.

\*\* Book fees are charged per person, and are waived for students already owning course books

A limited number of Conversational Hebrew books are available in the TBI library for check-out

### Brief Description of Courses Offered:

**Preliminary** (one semester) introduces the Hebrew alphabet and how to read & pronounce words.

**Basic** courses (levels 2-4, each two semesters) build an elementary vocabulary for use with reading simple sentences and stories.

**Intermediate** courses (levels 5-7, each two semesters) introduce various grammar concepts, extend vocabularies, and read more interesting stories with greater comprehension. Hebrew taught in all Basic and Intermediate courses is commonly found in both Biblical and modern Israeli usage.

**Advanced** courses are available for both modern conversational Hebrew and Biblical Hebrew areas of study.

If you wish to join a Hebrew course or have questions about whether you meet prerequisites, please contact Gary Raymond at [Hebrew\\_Courses@temple-bnai-israel.org](mailto:Hebrew_Courses@temple-bnai-israel.org)

Check out our web site for the most up-to-date course information:

[http://www.temple-bnai-israel.org/index.cfm/adult\\_hebrew\\_course](http://www.temple-bnai-israel.org/index.cfm/adult_hebrew_course)

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## Descriptions of Classes Offered

### Preliminary Hebrew (one semester)

- No prerequisites
- Learn all the Hebrew letters and vowels of the aleph-bet
  - learn how to read and pronounce Hebrew words
  - great opportunity to start learning to read Hebrew
- Text: Reishet Binah (or Derech Binah) + additional handouts

### Basic Hebrew Level 2 (two semesters)

- Prerequisite: equivalent of Preliminary Hebrew: know the aleph-bet and how to pronounce Hebrew words
- Course is similar to what religious school students learn in 3rd+4th grades at TBI Religious School
  - students must already know the Aleph-Bet and how to pronounce simple words
  - students are not required to have any vocabulary knowledge
  - great opportunity to start learning to read and understand simple stories
  - depending upon student capabilities, course may be taught over one or two semesters
- Texts: Shalom Ivrit 1 - <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?PC=6258>
  - book plus additional handouts
- Practice writing in Hebrew block letters
- Learn a 160 word vocabulary
- Hebrew language concepts covered:
  - Review alef-bet and word pronunciation
  - Present tense verbs
  - Prefixes for: and, the, for/to, from, in
  - Male & female nouns & adjectives
  - Writing in Hebrew block letters
  - simple sentence structures
- Practice reading and pronouncing words and sentences with proper inflection
- Read simple stories with simple vocabularies
- Approximately 20 minutes homework assigned per class session

### Basic Hebrew Level 3 (two semesters)

- Prerequisite: equivalent of Basic Hebrew Level 2: know the aleph-bet and how to pronounce Hebrew words
- Course is similar to what religious school students learn in 5th+6th grades at TBI Religious School
  - students must already know how to read simple sentences
  - students are expected to know the vocabulary taught in Basic Hebrew Level 2
  - great opportunity to start learning to read and understand simple stories
  - depending upon student capabilities, course may be taught over one or two semesters
- Texts: Shalom Ivrit 2 - <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?PC=6259>
  - book plus additional handouts
- Practice writing in Hebrew block letters

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## Descriptions of Classes Offered

- Learn additional 151 word vocabulary
- Hebrew language concepts covered:
  - Review alef-bet and word pronunciation
  - Present tense verbs
  - Prefixes for: and, the, for/to, from, in
  - Male & female nouns & adjectives
  - Writing in Hebrew block letters
  - simple sentence structures
- Practice reading and pronouncing words and sentences with proper inflection
- Read simple stories with simple vocabularies
- Approximately 20 minutes homework assigned per class session

### **Intermediate Hebrew Level 4 (two semesters)**

- Prerequisite: equivalent of Basic Hebrew Level 4; know how to read & write Hebrew script, read simple stories
- Course is similar to what religious school students learn in 6th+7th grades at TBI Religious School
  - any younger student wishing to get ahead or review this level Hebrew is welcome
  - questions about prerequisites: please contact Gary Raymond to discuss
  - great opportunity for "rusty" parent and student to do Hebrew course together
  - depending upon student capabilities, course may be taught over one or two semesters
- Texts:
  - Shalom Ivrit 3 - <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?sku=166>
  - Let's Talk Live - <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?PC=6483>
  - book plus additional hand-outs
- Practice writing in Hebrew script
- Learn a 190 word vocabulary
- Hebrew language concepts covered:
  - Review concepts covered (first class day - prior to registration):
    - proper consonant & vowel pronunciations
    - Subject pronouns (I, we, he, etc.)
    - Present tense verbs & active Hebrew participle (is writing, is saying, is making, etc.)
    - Male & female nouns & adjectives
    - Writing in Hebrew script
    - Basic vocabulary review
  - New concepts covered:
    - Past tense verbs (Hebrew perfect)
    - Object Pronouns (me, us, him, etc.)
    - Irregular plural nouns & adjectives
    - Passive Hebrew participle (is written, is said, is made, etc.)
- Practice reading and pronouncing words and sentences with proper inflection
- Read simple stories with simple vocabularies
- Approximately 20 minutes homework assigned per class session

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## Descriptions of Classes Offered

### Intermediate Hebrew Levels 5-7 (two semesters each)

- Prerequisite: equivalent of Intermediate Hebrew Level 5; know how to read & write Hebrew script; know present tense & past tense verb forms; know pronouns, possessive endings
- Course is similar to what religious school students learn in 7th+8th grades at TBI Religious School
  - any younger student wishing to get ahead or review this level Hebrew is welcome
  - questions about prerequisites: please contact Gary Raymond to discuss
  - great opportunity for "rusty" parent and student to do Hebrew course together
  - depending upon student capabilities, course may be taught over one or two semesters
- Text: Contemporary Hebrew: <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?PC=6032>
  - a variety of additional books are used depending upon student progress in class
  - books plus additional hand-outs
- Practice writing in Hebrew script
- Learn a 300 word vocabulary
- Hebrew language concepts covered:
  - Review concepts covered (first class day - prior to registration):
    - Present tense Kal verbs
    - Past tense Kal verbs
    - Syllable Accenting
    - Pronouns - Subject & Object
  - New concepts covered:
    - Future tense Kal verbs
    - Possessive Endings (S'michut)
    - Introduction to Binyanim beyond Kal: Pi'el, Hif'il, Hitpa'el, Nif'al, Pu'al, and Huf'al
- Practice reading and writing sentences
- Read second level stories with simple vocabularies
- Approximately 20 minutes homework assigned per class session