

D. Effect of the Vowel Letters on the Preceding Vowel

When the vowel letters come at the end of a syllable, they are quiescent, i.e. they are silent, and they cause the preceding short vowel to lengthen to a long vowel (e.g. $\times \text{ךָ} \text{ךָ}$ - "he created").

IX. Mappiq

The mappiq is a point that is inserted in the letter he - ה - when it is the last letter of a word to indicate that it is a consonant (e.g. $\text{הַ} \text{יָ} \text{לֵךְ}$ - "he was high").