

LESSON XVII

I. Cohortative He

A. Identification of the Cohortative He

The cohortative he consists of a **qameṣ he** ending (\aleph) that is attached to the end of certain forms of the verb to lengthen them.

B. Forms of the Verb with which the Cohortative He is Used

1. Imperfect Tense

a. Stems of the Imperfect Tense

The cohortative he may be used with all the stems of the imperfect tense except the Pual and Hophal which are the truly passive stems.

b. Person and Number of the Imperfect Tense

The cohortative he may be used with the first person singular and plural of the imperfect tense.

NOTE: There are a few cases where the cohortative he is used with the third person singular of the imperfect tense (e.g. Isa. 5:19 $\aleph \aleph \aleph \aleph \aleph$).

2. Imperative

a. Stems of the Imperative

The cohortative he may be used with all the stems in which the imperative occurs.

b. Person, Gender, and Number of the Imperative

The cohortative he may be used only with the second, masculine, singular imperative.

C. Attachment of the Cohortative He to the Verb

1. Imperfect Tense

The cohortative he is attached to the imperfect tense like the vocalic sufformatives are attached to it (e.g. Regular Verb - $\aleph \aleph \aleph \aleph \aleph$ and $\aleph \aleph \aleph \aleph \aleph$, Pe Nun Verb - Class II -