

Hebrew Grammar
Ross Homework Key

IBH 31.4

Section a. none is required. Here are some of the answers in case you're interested (1–10, 14).

- (1) הַסִּתְרָה הָעִיר
- (2) הַגִּדָּל שְׁמוֹ
- (3) כְּבֹדִי / נִכְבְּדִי¹
- (4) תִּסְתֵּר
- (5) אֶזְכֵּר
- (6) הִשְׁמָעוּ
- (7) וַתִּסְתַּרְנָה
- (8) הַמְשַׁלְכִים / מְשַׁלְכִים²
- (9) הַמֶּלֶךְ הַמְּמֻלָּךְ
- (10) הִזְכַּרְנוּ
- (14) הִקְרַב

Section b. 1–6 Translate and parse verbs. NOTE: Do not parse וַיְהִי and/or וַיִּהְיֶה.

- (1) Twelve men were hidden outside the camp. [a] סִתַּר Hoph. pft 3cp
- (2) The name of Yhwh will be praised, and it will be magnified in the songs of Israel. [a] הִלָּל Pu. impf 3ms; [b] גִּדָּל Hoph. impf 3ms + simple conj. ו
- (3) The warrior was enthroned over the people. [a] מָלַךְ Hoph. pft 3ms
- (4) The cities³ will be ruined, and the survivors (those who remain) will rest in peace. [a] שָׁחַת Hoph. impf 3fp; [b] שָׁאָר Niph. ptc mp + article הַ + conj. ו; [c] שָׁבַת Qal impf 3mp

¹Note: The Pual and Niphal forms of כָּבַד mean “to be honored.” Ross’ glossary does not provide a Hophal form, and a check of BDB’s lexicon does not record a Hophal occurrence.

²The only difference between these two forms is that one has the definite article and one does not. Either would be translated as “those being cast.”

- (5) In that day, the wicked (man) will be cast from the city. [a] שלך Hoph. impf 3ms
- (6) Look/See (behold), his head (will be) thrown⁴ to you from the wall. [a] שלך Hoph. ptc ms

³The normal vowel under the article ה is patah, but segol occurs in certain situations with some gutturals. See p. 65 under point #4 to review.

⁴Two comments need to be made about this participle (ptc): [1] Notice the form has *qibbus* under the *mem*-prefix of the participle (instead of the expected *hames-hatup*). Although this is a deviation from the normal vowel, it's only a "slight" deviation since both of these vowels are the short U-class vowel in the historical vowel chart (see p. 83 and 223). As we will see a little later, sometimes Hebrew will show an interchange between these two short vowels within the same class (much in the same way that the noun "son" בן [with long I-class vowel] can show up in the construct singular as either בן or בן [with either of the two short I-class vowels], p. 103 in Ross). [2] The translation using future tense ("will be thrown") is acceptable, since participles are non-finite and non-temporal. The timeframe will depend on the context. See p. 127 where Ross discusses the predicate use of the ptc (which is what we have here).