A Sampling of Verb Forms and Their Uses

1. Root - used as a command for
   (µ") "לְבָּתָּה!"
   (µ") מַּתָּה!"

2. Respectful Command = Root + אָמָּה
   (µ") לְבָּתָּה אָמָּה!"
   (µ") מַּתָּה אָמָּה!"

3. Negative Command = Inf + אָמָּה
   (µ") לְבָּתָּה אָמָּה!"
   (µ") מַּתָּה אָמָּה!"

4. Negative Respectful Command = Inf + אָמָּה
   (µ") לְבָּתָּה אָמָּה!"
   (µ") מַּתָּה אָמָּה!"

5. Finite Verb = Past/Present/Future Stem + Pronoun Suffix
   I sat.
   She sits.
   They will sit.
   Exception. For אָמָּה, finite future verb = Inf + אָמָּה
   It will sit.

6. Negative Finite Verb (Past and Present) = Inf + אָמָּה + אָמָּה
   I did not sit. / I do not sit.
   We did not sit. / We do not sit.

7. Negative Finite Verb (Future) = Inf + אָמָּה + Pronoun Suffix
   He/She (respectful) will not sit.
   We will not open the door.
   Exception. For אָמָּה, negative finite verb = Inf + אָמָּה
   That cow will not eat straw.
   Exception. For אָמָּה, negative finite verb = Inf + אָמָּה
   Dogs do not eat straw.

8. Conditional (If X, then ...) = Past Stem + אָמָּה
   (אָמָּה) אָמָּה אָמָּה.

9. Negative Conditional (If not X, then ...) = Inf + אָמָּה
   (אָמָּה) אָמָּה אָמָּה.

10. Adverbial Participle (AvP) is used to connect the actions of two or more verbs.
    (בּוֹדָה) הָרָקְשַׁל הַבּוֹדָה אָמָּה.

11. Negative AvP = Inf + אָמָּה
    (בּוֹדָה) הָרָקְשַׁל הַבּוֹדָה אָמָּה.

12. Perfect Verb = AvP + אָמָּה
    I had bought it.
    I have bought it.
    I would have bought it.
13. Continuous Verb = AvP + נ"לןלע ק"ג
- She cried.
- She was crying.
- She cries.
- She is crying.
- She will cry.
- She will be crying.

14. Passive Verb = Inf + מוחק
- He hit me.
- He hits me.
- He will hit me.
- I was hit by him.
- I am hit by him.
- I will be hit by him.

15. Verbal Adjective (Past and Present) = Past/Present Stem + א
- He was crying.
- He is crying.
- I was crying.
- I am crying.
- I will be crying.

16. Verbal Adjective (Future) = Inf + מוחק
- A verbal adjective follows the past/present future.

17. Verbal Noun (Past/Present/Future) = Past/Present/Future Stem + א
- A verbal noun follows the past/present future.

18. Negative Verbal Noun (Past/Present/Future) = Inf + מוחק
- A negative verbal noun follows the past/present future.

19. “Even if X …” = Conditional + מוחק
- If he comes, I will not come.
- Even if he comes, I will not come.

20. “As soon as X …” = Past Verbal Adjective + מוחק = Past Verbal Noun + מוחק
- As soon as he comes, I will not come.

21. “Even though X …” = AvP + מוחק
- Although he comes, I will not come.

22. (to) try X = Inf + מוחק
- To try something is Inf + מוחק.
23. (to) try and see X = AvP + θ

Chart 2. Pronouns and corresponding suffixes.

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