

## Chapter 31 — Piel Weak-Form Identification Drill

BBH Chapter 31 · Piel Weak Verbs

Part A: identify conjugation, PGN, and root (forms grouped by weak class). Part B: identify weak class first, then conjugation, PGN, and root. Answer key is on the last page.

Piel diagnostic: Dagesh Forte in R2 (or compensatory lengthening when R2 = **נ**/**מ**/**ל**/**ר**). III-he: final **ה** drops in wayyiqtol/jussive (apocopation). I-nun: nun is RETAINED in the Piel (not assimilated). Geminate: Dagesh in doubled R2 is the Piel marker.

### Group 1: III-he

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
1	יָכַל				
2	יָצַו				
3	צִוִּיתִי				
4	יָחִיו				
5	כָּלָה				

### Group 2: I-guttural

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
6	עָנָו				
7	יַעֲנֶה				
8	עָנוּת				
9	מַחֲיֶה				
10	יַיַּעֲנֶה				

### Group 3: Geminate

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
11	יַהֲלִיל				
12	הִלִּיל				
13	הִלֵּל				
14	מַהֲלִיל				
15	יַהֲלִיל				

## Group 4: I-nun

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
16	יִנְחֵם				
17	יִנְחֶמוּ				
18	יִגְעֵ				
19	יִגְעֶה				
20	יִגְעֶה				

## Part B — Mixed Forms

#	Form	Reference	Weak Class	Conjugation	PGN	Root
21	יִכְסֵה					
22	יִכְסֶה					
23	יִחִי					
24	יִהְלֵל					
25	יִהְלֶל					
26	יִצֹה					
27	יִגְעֵ					
28	יִנְחֵם					
29	יִגְעֶה					
30	יִגְעֶה					

## Reflection Questions

- III-he: wayyiqtol ■■■■■ and ■■■■■ are apocopated. What happened to the ■? How does the qatal ■■■■■ differ — is the ■ retained?
- I-nun Piel (items 16–20): unlike the Qal/Hiphal, the nun is NOT assimilated. Why? (Hint: dagesh forte in R2 is already the Piel stem marker.)
- Geminate items 11–15: what is the tell-tale vowel pattern for Piel Geminate perfect (item 13) vs. Piel Geminate yiqtol (items 11, 15)?

## Answer Key — Part A

### Group 1: III-he

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
1	יָכַל				
✓	יָכַל	Gen 2:2	Wayyiqtol	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · apocopated (■ dropped);
2	יָצַו				
✓	יָצַו	Gen 2:16	Wayyiqtol	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · apocopated; tsere under ■
3	צִוִּיתִי				
✓	צִוִּיתִי	Gen 3:11	Qatal	1cs	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · qatal 1cs ending; chiriq-yod
4	יָחִיו				
✓	יָחִיו	Gen 12:12	Yiqtol	3mp	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · yiqtol 3mp; ■ replaced by ■■ +
5	כָּלָה				
✓	כָּלָה	Gen 17:22	Qatal	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · qatal 3ms; qamets + ■■

## Group 2: I-guttural

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
6	עָנָה				
✓	עָנָה	Gen 15:13	Qatal	3cp	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · I-gutt (■); composite shewa →
7	יַעֲנֶה				
✓	יַעֲנֶה	Exo 22:21	Yiqtol	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · I-gutt; hateph under ■; seghol +
8	עֲנֹת				
✓	עֲנֹת	Exo 10:3	Inf. Constr.	—	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · I-gutt; inf. construct ending
9	מַתִּיָּה				
✓	מַתִּיָּה	Neh 9:6	Participle	ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · I-gutt (■) + III-he; seghol + ■
10	יַעֲנֶנּוּ				
✓	יַעֲנֶנּוּ	Exo 1:11	Wayyiqtol	3mp	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ · I-gutt + III-he; dual: gutt shewa

## Group 3: Geminate

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
11	יִהְלֵלְוּ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִהְלֵלְוּ	Gen 12:15	Wayyiqtol	3mp	■■■■■ . Geminate; dagesh in doubled
12	הִלְלוּ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	הִלְלוּ	Ps 113:1	Imperative	2mp	■■■■■ . Geminate; imperative 2mp;
13	הִלֵּל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	הִלֵּל	Isa 14:12	Qatal	3ms	■■■■■ . Geminate; chiriq under ■■ in
14	מְהִלֵּל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	מְהִלֵּל	Ps 18:4	Participle	ms	■■■■■ . Geminate; ■■ prefix + tsere +
15	יִהְלֵל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִהְלֵל	Prov 27:2	Yiqtol	3ms	■■■■■ . Geminate; patach prefix + tsere

## Group 4: I-nun

#	Form	Reference	Conjugation	PGN	Root
16	יִנְחֵם	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִנְחֵם	Gen 5:29	Yiqtol	3ms	■■■■■ . I-nun retained (not assimilated)
17	יִנְחֶמוּ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִנְחֶמוּ	Gen 37:35	Yiqtol	3mp	■■■■■ . same root; 3mp ending; nun
18	יִנְגַּע	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִנְגַּע	Gen 12:17	Wayyiqtol	3ms	■■■■■ . I-nun retained; dagesh in ■ (R2
19	יִנְחֶה	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִנְחֶה	Gen 22:1	Qatal	3ms	■■■■■ . I-nun + III-he; Piel perfect 3ms;
20	יִנְחֶה	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
✓	יִנְחֶה	Deu 8:16	Yiqtol	3ms	■■■■■ . I-nun + III-he; yiqtol; seghol + ■

## Answer Key — Part B

#	Form	Reference	Weak Class	Conjugation	PGN	Root
21	יִכְסֶה					
✓	יִכְסֶה	Gen 37:26	III-he	Yiqtol	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■
22	כָּסָה					
✓	כָּסָה	Gen 9:23	III-he	Qatal	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■
23	יִחַיִּי					
✓	יִחַיִּי	Exo 1:17	I-gutt + III-he	Yiqtol	3mp	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
24	יִהְלֵל					
✓	יִהְלֵל	Ps 22:24	Geminate	Yiqtol	3mp	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
25	הִלֵּל					
✓	הִלֵּל	Isa 14:12	Geminate	Qatal	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
26	צֹוֶה					
✓	צֹוֶה	Gen 7:9	III-he	Qatal	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
27	יִגַּע					
✓	יִגַּע	Gen 12:17	I-nun	Wayyiqtol	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
28	מְנַחֵם					
✓	מְנַחֵם	Isa 51:12	I-nun	Participle	ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
29	עָנָה					
✓	עָנָה	Exo 22:22	I-gutt	Qatal	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■
30	נָסָה					
✓	נָסָה	Gen 22:1	I-nun + III-he	Qatal	3ms	■ ■ ■ ■ ■