

Verb Tables

Some directions for use

In this dictionary, each verb is given in its two basic forms: *fāt* [ifūt] - *he entered* [*he enters / will enter*] - i.e., in the 3rd person masculine singular of the past tense and the 3rd person masculine singular of the imperfect tense (without b-*).

Throughout the dictionary, these forms are followed by abbreviations such as v-1a, v-2, v-7o, v-33, etc., which direct the user to the different verb patterns in the following Tables.

Past tense

In the past tense of all verbs, the third person - *he, she, they* (whether masculine or feminine, singular or plural) - has a shared form which is different from the form of the 1st and 2nd persons:

v-1	<i>he</i>	<i>katab</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>katab-t</i>
	<i>she</i>	<i>katbat</i>	<i>we</i>	<i>katab-na</i>
	<i>they</i>	<i>katabu</i>	<i>you (pl)</i>	<i>katab-tu</i>
v-2	<i>he</i>	<i>nizel</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>nzel-t</i>
	<i>she</i>	<i>nizlat</i>	<i>we</i>	<i>nzel-na</i>
	<i>they</i>	<i>nizlu</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>nzel-tu</i>

Note that in v-1 and v-2, above, the stress falls:

- On the first syllable in the 3rd person
- On the syllable before the endings (-t, -na, -tu) in the 1st and 2nd person.

v-3	<i>he</i>	<i>rama</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>ramē-t</i>
	<i>she</i>	<i>ramat</i>	<i>we</i>	<i>ramē-na</i>
	<i>they</i>	<i>ramu</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>ramē-tu</i>
v-5	<i>he</i>	<i>šāf</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>šuf-t</i>
	<i>she</i>	<i>šāfat</i>	<i>we</i>	<i>šuf-na</i>
	<i>they</i>	<i>šāfu</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>šuf-tu</i>

Note that in all verbs you will find similar differences between the 3rd person and the other two persons.