

## Chapter 33 — "Spot the Pual" Passage Exercise (Weak Roots)

Gen 4 · Lev 7–8 · Num 3, 22 · Psa 72

Each numbered verb belongs to one of the stems you have already studied (Qal, Niphal, Hiphil, Hophal, Piel, or Pual). For each one, fill in: Pual? (Yes/No), Conjugation, PGN, Root, and Stem/Function. For each Pual form, also identify the weak-root type (I-■, I-■, III-■, or R2=■). The answer key begins on the page marked "Answer Key".

### Passage A — Genesis Genealogies (Gen 4:18; 4:26; 46:22; 6:1)

4:18

וַעֲרֵד יֵלֵד אֶת מְהוּיָאֵל

"And Irad fathered Mehujael."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
1	יֵלֵד	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

4:26

אִז הֵחֵל לְקַרֵּא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה

"At that time people began to call upon the name of the LORD."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
2	הֵחֵל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

46:22

אֵלֶּה בְּנֵי רָחֵל אֲשֶׁר יָלַד לְיַעֲקֹב

"These are the sons of Rachel who were born to Jacob."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
3	יָלַד	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6:1

וַיֻּלְּדוּ لَهُם בָּנִים

"And sons were born to them."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
4	וַיֻּלְּדוּ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### Passage B — Leviticus 7:36; Numbers 3:9 (I-■ root ■■■)

I-■ Pual: unlike Qal Imperfect where ■ assimilates (■■■■■■■), in the Pual the ■ stays as R1 and takes Qibbutz. Dagesh Forte falls on R2 (■), not on an assimilated consonant.

Lev 7:36

אֲשֶׁר צִוָּה יְהוָה לָתֵת لَهُם

"...which the LORD commanded to give to them."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
5	צִוָּה	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Num 3:9

וַנִּתֵּן אֶת הַלְוִיִּם לְאַהֲרֹן וּלְבָנָיו נְתֻנִים נְתֻנִים הֵמָּה

"And you shall give the Levites to Aaron and his sons; they are given, given."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
6	וַנִּתֵּן	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
7	נְתֻנִים	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Num 3:9b

נְתֻנִם לִי הֵמָּה מִתּוֹךְ בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל

"They were given to me from among the people of Israel."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
8	נְתֻנִם	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Passage C — Leviticus 8:35; Numbers 22:6; Psalm 72:17 (III-■ and R2=■)

## Lev 8:35

כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוִּיתִי אֲנִי כֵן צִוִּיתֶם

"As I was commanded, so you were commanded."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
9	צִוִּיתִי	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
10	צִוִּיתֶם	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Num 22:6

כִּי יָדַעְתִּי אֶת אֲשֶׁר תְּבָרֵךְ מְבָרֵךְ וְאֲשֶׁר תָּאֵר יֹאֵר

"...for I know that he whom you bless is blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
11	תְּבָרֵךְ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
12	מְבָרֵךְ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
13	יֹאֵר	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Psa 72:17

יְבָרֵךְ שְׁמוֹ לְעוֹלָם יִתְנַהֵל לִפְנֵי שֶׁמֶשׁ שְׁמוֹ

"May his name be blessed forever; may his name endure before the sun."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
14	יְבָרֵךְ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
15	יִתְנַהֵל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Reflection Questions

1. Verb 3 (קָטַל, I-Pual Perfect) and verb 4 (קָטַלְתְּ, Niphal Wayyiqtol) both come from קָטַל and both express passive meaning. What visual feature most immediately distinguishes the Pual from the Niphal in these I-P forms?
2. Verbs 7–8 (קָטַלְתָּ / קָטַלְתְּ, I-Pual) show that in the Pual, קָ stays as R1 and takes Qibbuts rather than assimilating as in the Qal Imperfect (קָטַלְתָּ). What grammatical principle causes the different behavior between stems?
3. Verbs 9–10 (קָטַלְתָּ / קָטַלְתְּ, III-Pual) parallel verb 5 (קָטַלְתָּ, Piel active). What single vowel under R1 most quickly identifies Piel vs. Pual? How does this i/u distinction work in the strong paradigm (קָטַלְתָּ vs. קָטַלְתְּ)?

## Answer Key

Passages with correct answers shown in the green row below each verb.

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#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
1	יָלַד	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	יָלַד	Perfect	3ms	יָלַד	NOT Pual — Qal: "fathered/begat"

4:26

אָז הוּחַל לְקַרְא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה

"At that time people began to call upon the name of the LORD."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
2	הוּחַל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	הוּחַל	Perfect	3ms	חָלַל	NOT Pual — Hophal: "was begun"; ■■■■

46:22

אֵלֶּה בְּנֵי רָחֵל אֲשֶׁר יָלַד לְיַעֲקֹב

"These are the sons of Rachel who were born to Jacob."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
3	יָלַד	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	יָלַד	Perfect	3ms	יָלַד	Passive — Pual; I-■ root: "was"

6:1

וַיֻּלְּדוּ לָהֶם בָּנִים

"And sons were born to them."

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
4	וַיֻּלְּדוּ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	וַיֻּלְּדוּ	Wayyiqtol	3mp	יָלַד	NOT Pual — Niphal Wayyiqtol 3mp:

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✓	צָוָה	Perfect	3ms	צָוָה	NOT Pual — Piel active: "commanded";

Num 3:9

וְנָתַתָּ אֶת הַלְוִיִּם לְאַהֲרֹן וּלְבָנָיו נְתָנִים נְתָנִים הֵמָּה

*"And you shall give the Levites to Aaron and his sons; they are given, given."*

#	Verb	Conjugation	PGN	Root	Function
6	וְנָתַתָּ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	וְנָתַתָּ	Weqatal	2ms	נָתַן	NOT Pual — Qal Weqatal: "and you
7	נְתָנִים	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	נְתָנִים	Participle	mp	נָתַן	Passive — Pual Ptc. mp; I- <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">■</span> root:

Num 3:9b

נְתָנוּ לִי הֵמָּה מִתּוֹךְ בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל

*"They were given to me from among the people of Israel."*

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✓	נְתָנוּ	Perfect	3cp	נָתַן	Passive — Pual; I- <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">■</span> root: "were given";

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Lev 8:35

כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוִּיתִי אֹנִי כֵן צִוִּיתֶם

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✓	צִוִּיתִי	Perfect	1cs	צָוָה	Passive — Pual; III- <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">■</span> root: "I was
10	צִוִּיתֶם	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	צִוִּיתֶם	Perfect	2mp	צָוָה	Passive — Pual; III- <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">■</span> root: "you were

Num 22:6

כִּי יֵדַעְתִּי אֶת אִשֶּׁר תְּבָרֵךְ מְבָרֵךְ וְאִשֶּׁר תָּאֵר יוֹאֵר

*"...for I know that he whom you bless is blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed."*

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✓	תְּבַרֵךְ	Imperfect	2ms	בֵּרַךְ	NOT Pual — Piel Intensive: "you bless"
12	מְבַרֵךְ	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	מְבַרֵךְ	Participle	ms	בֵּרַךְ	Passive — Pual Ptc. ms; R2=ב (weak):
13	יִאָּר	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	יִאָּר	Imperfect	3ms	אָרַךְ	NOT Pual — Hophal: "shall be cursed";

Psa 72:17

יְבַרֵךְ שְׁמוֹ לְעוֹלָם יִתְנַהֵל לִפְנֵי שֶׁמֶשׁ שְׁמוֹ

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✓	יְבַרֵךְ	Imperfect	3ms	בֵּרַךְ	Passive — Pual Impf.: "may his name be
15	יִתְנַהֵל	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> see ↓
✓	יִתְנַהֵל	Imperfect	3ms	נָהַל	NOT Pual — Hiithpael: "may