

CENTER FOR JEWISH STUDIES
Hebrew 202 Syllabus
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Welcome to Hebrew 202. I hope you enjoyed Winter Break, and are ready to continue learning more about the Hebrew language and Israeli culture.

Texts:

1. *MIFGASHIM*, Encounters in Modern Hebrew Level 3. (**New books only**)
2. *HOVERET*, (Reading Packet)
3. Lazar's Hebrew-English, English Hebrew Dictionary (or any other dictionary).
Recommended.

General:

1. Attendance and participation in all classes are mandatory. Every 5 absences will lower your grade. If you have to miss a class, or if you did not do your homework, let me know. On the next class meeting, you need to show me the assignments you missed. It is your responsibility to show me the completed assignments. Every 5 unprepared assignments could lower your grade.
2. Office Hours : See Important Information and Dates handout.
3. My email is: yuchtman@wisc.edu

Class Assignments:

1. All readings in the *HOVERET* should be prepared before coming to class. Each reading is followed by a glossary. Use it when you need help with vocabulary. You should also listen to the stories online. This will help you in correct pronunciation. Directions to reach the online site are in the *HOVERET* . You are expected to be able to read the stories fluently, translate them into English, and be able to discuss their content. Following the stories, there are Content and Comprehension Questions. Answer the questions in the *HOVERET*, and be prepared to answer the questions in class.
2. Informal skits related to the topic of the unit conclude each unit. Suggestions for the skits are given in the *HOVERET* . With a friend, choose one topic and write a dialogue. Use new vocabulary. Be ready to read your dialogue in class. This dialogue will be graded.

Written assignment:

You are expected to write one essay during the semester. See topics and instructions in the *HOVERET*. All topics are related to the material covered in class. See Important Dates handout for date to hand in this essay.

Grammar Exercises from the textbook *MIFGASHIM*:

Every Monday we will have a grammar lesson. Do all the assigned exercises in the book. A list of the required exercises is in the *HOVERET*.

If you are absent on Monday, you need to do the homework assignment and show it to me.

Quizzes:

There will be a quiz at the end of each unit in the *HOVERET* and at the end of each lesson of *MIFGASHIM*.

Oral Presentation :

In addition to the informal skits, there will also be one oral presentation at the end of the semester. Guidelines are found in your *HOVERET*.

See date in Important Dates handout.

Folders:

The folder helps you in keeping constant track of your progress.

All quizzes and graded written assignments should be kept in a 2 pocket folder. The quizzes need to be corrected. All corrections need to be highlighted.

In addition, you need to hand in your summaries (in English) of the oral presentations. Hand in the folder for final evaluation at the end of the semester. See date in Important Dates handout.

Grades

Final grade will be based on your:

1. Preparation of Readings in the *HOVERET*, and participation in class.
2. Quizzes (stories and grammar)
- 3.. Essay
4. Oral Presentation at the end of the semester.
5. Preparation of grammatical exercises from *MIFGASHIM*.
6. Informal dialogues.

Mandatory:

- Attendance
- A complete folder (Include all corrected quizzes, graded written assignments, and summaries of oral presentations).

I wish you a successful and enjoyable semester!