

In this PDF guide, you'll learn 27 ways to say YES and NO in Hebrew. First, 14 variations of “yes” and then 13 variations of no.

Why so many? In order to express yourself fluently, you must be precise with your speech. That means that you need to have a big library of words to choose from. So, that's why you get so many. You're a smart learner after all, so this is good for you.

Learning tips:

- Print this PDF and review the words every now and then
- Save this PDF and review it on your device
- Spend just 3-6 minutes reviewing at a time. It's not about hours put in “right now”, it's about the time put in over a long period of time. So, reviewing a bit a day is very helpful.

Also, if you want to learn and speak Hebrew with lessons by real teachers...

...then I recommend HebrewPod101.com. It's a Hebrew learning website with audio/video lessons. You learn with 3-15 minute long lessons. They teach you real conversations and explain every word so that you're ready to speak at the end.

[Click here to visit HebrewPod101.com and get a free lifetime account.](http://HebrewPod101.com)

1. Yes in Hebrew

- ׀
- Pronounced: ken

This is the easiest way to say yes in Hebrew. You can use “׀” in both, formal and informal situations, just like you would use “yes” in English.



Example:

- כן, את באמת צודקת
- Ken at beemet tzodeket
- Yes, you are actually right.

2. Of course

- כמובן
- Pronounced: kamuvan

“כמובן” is a very frequently used word in Hebrew, especially in everyday speech. You can use it when someone asks you to do something and you are glad to help. It expresses your eagerness and easygoing attitude.



Example:

- כמובן שאני מקשיבה לך
- Kamuvan sheani makshiva leh'a
- Of course I'm listening to you (male).

3. No problem

- אין בעיה
- Pronounced: ein beaya

Yes, you can use this phrase just like you would in English. When someone asks you for help and you say "no problem," you are actually letting them know that this task is easy for you and you are happy to lend them a hand.



Example:

- אין בעיה, אני אתקן את זה בשנייה
- Ein beaya, ani etaken et ze beshniya
- No problem, I'll fix it in just a second.

4. Indeed

- אכן
- Pronounced: ah'en

You won't likely hear "אכן" in informal conversations. It's quite polite. The word "אכן" also means: really, actually and truly.



Example:

- הדבר הזה אכן קרה
- Hadavar haze ah'en kara
- It did really happen.

5. Yes indeed

- אכן כן
- Pronounced: ah'en ken

Remember "ken?"

Yes? Now, you can probably guess what the other word is. It's indeed.

This is another more formal way to say yes in Hebrew. What you have here is actually the combination of two Hebrew words: "אכן" (indeed) and "כן" (yes). Literally, it means "Indeed yes."



Example:

- אכן כן, עכשיו באמת חם מאוד בחוץ
- Ah'en ken, ah'shav beemet h'am meod bah'utz
- Yes, indeed, it's really hot outside now.

6. Why not?

- למה לא?
- ?Pronounced: lama lo

“למה” (lama) is the Hebrew for “why” and “לא” is the Hebrew for “no”.

This is a very simple and easy Hebrew phrase to remember. Say it with me. “Lama lo.”



Example:

- למה לא? תמיד אפשר לנסות
- Lama lo? Tamid efshar lenasot
- .Why not? We can always give it a try

7. Well, yes

- ובכן כן
- Pronounced: uvh'en ken

Our friend "ken" is back again.

So, if you want to express uncertainty or some shade of "polite" disagreement, you can say "ובכן כן" for this purpose.

You can use this phrase in formal and informal situations.



Example:

- ובכן כן, יכול להיות שאתה צודק
- Uvh'en ken, yah'ol lihiyot sheata tzodek
- Well, yes, you (male) might be right.

8. I understand / got it

- הבנתי
- Pronounced: hevanti

You use “hevanti” when you want to let the other speaker know that you completely understand them.

The same form is used both for females and males.

If a group of people want to say “got it,” you would have to say “הבנו” (pronounced: hevanu). This can be literally translated as “we have understood.”



Example:

- הבנתי למה אתה מתכוון
- Hevanti lema ata mitkaven
- .I understand what you (male) mean

9. I agree (male)

- מסכים
- Pronounced: maskim

“מסכים” can be said only by a male.

If you’re a female, it would be: “מסכימה” (pronounced: maskima)

For 2 + males or a mixed group of males and females, you use: “מסכימים” (pronounced: maskimim)

And, for 2 + females it’s: “מסכימות” (pronounced: maskimot).

I agree
מסכים (m)
מסכימה (f)
Pronounced: maskim (m)
Pronounced: maskima (f)

Example:

- אנחנו מסכימות איתך
- Anah'nu maskimot it'h'a
- We (females) agree with you (a male).

10. Right

- נכון
- Pronounced: nah'on

You say this one when you agree with somebody on something.

This one is formal and informal, and it sounds natural in both situations.

Right
נכון
Pronounced: nah'on

Example:

- נכון! באמת חשוב לשמור על כושר

- Nah'on! Beemet h'ashuv lishmor al kosher
- Right! It's really important to keep fit.

11. Certainly / Definitely

- בוודאי
- Pronounced: bevadai

“Bevadai” has a casual and easygoing nuance. You can use it while having an informal conversation with your Hebrew speaking friends.



Example:

- בוודאי, אני בוטח בך
- Bevadai, ani boteah' beh'a
- Certainly, I trust you (male).

12. Sure / Of course

- בטח
- Pronounced: betah'

Are you ready? Ready for another casual way to say yes in Hebrew? Yes, “betah” can only be used casual conversations. Why? Because in some cases, “בטח” might have some sarcastic meaning (for sure, when pigs fly, no way!)

Sure / Of course
בטח
Pronounced: betah'

Example:

- בטח! יש לי הרבה זמן פנוי עכשיו
- Betah! yesh li harbe zman panuy ah'shav
- Sure! I have a lot of free time right now.

13. Yes – Literary

- הן
- Pronounced: hen

First there was ken.

Now, there's hen.

You won't hear many people say "הן" in their everyday speech. You are more likely to find this word in literary works and in the First Testament of The Bible. So, good word to know if you're learning [Biblical Hebrew!](#)



14. Maybe / Probably yes / Perhaps

- יכול להיות
- Pronounced: yah'ol lihiyot

You can use "יכול להיות" when you're not 100% sure about something.

But, you can use it only in colloquial conversations.



Example:

- יכול להיות, אבל זה עלול להיות מסוכן
- Yah'ol lihiyot, aval ze alul lihiyot mesukan

- Maybe, but it might be dangerous.

Now, you know 14 ways to agree and say YES in Hebrew. Why is this important? Well, it means you can now express yourself in many ways. Being able to do so means you're quite fluent!

1. No

- לא
- Pronounced: lo

This is the easiest way to say no in Hebrew. You can say "לא" in both, formal and informal situations.

Example:

- לא, אני לא יכול לעשות את זה
- Lo, ani lo yah'ol laasot et ze
- No, I can't do it

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

No
לא
Pronounced: lo

לא, אני לא יכול לעשות את זה
Lo, ani lo yah'ol laasot et ze
No, I can't do it.

2. In no way

- בשום אופן לא
- Pronounced: besum ofen lo!

Here, we have a formal way to say “No” in Hebrew. But, you can still use it in informal situations. You can use it when you want to emphasize that you are really against something or that a statement is not true at all.

Example:

- הוא בשום אופן לא משקר לך!
- Hu beshum ofen lo meshaker leh’a!
- He’s in no way lying to you!

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

In no way
בשום אופן לא
Pronounced: besum ofen lo!

הוא בשום אופן לא משקר לך!
Hu beshum ofen lo meshaker leh’a!
He’s in no way lying to you!

3. No way / There’s no way #1

- אין סיכוי
- Pronounced: ein sikuy

This is a slang way of saying “No way” in Hebrew. It can be literally translated as “there is no chance”.

Example:

- אין סיכוי שאני אכנס לבריכה הזאת
- Ein sikuy sheani ekanes lebreh’a hazot
- There’s no way I’m getting into that pool!

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

No way / There's no way #1

אין סיכוי
Pronounced: ein sikuy

אין סיכוי שאני אכנס לבריכה הזאת
Ein sikuy sheani ekanes lebreh'a hazot
There's no way I'm getting into that pool!

4. No way #2

- אין מצב
- Pronounced: Ein matzav

Here's a second way of saying "No way" in Hebrew. You can't use this phrase in formal occasions. Use it when you are with your friends and family members.

Example:

- אין מצב שהוא ינצח בתחרות
- Ein matzav shehu yenatzeah' batah'arut
- No way he can win the competition

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

No way #2

אין מצב
Pronounced: Ein matzav

אין מצב שהוא ינצח בתחרות
Ein matzav shehu yenatzeah' batah'arut
No way he can win the competition

5. Out of the question

- לא בא בחשבון

- Pronounced: lo ba beh'eshbon

In Hebrew you can say “לא בא בחשבון” whenever you want to make it clear that you are really against something.

Example:

- אני מניח שהאפשרות הזאת היא לא באה בחשבון
- Ani mebin shehaefsharut hazot hi lo baa beh'eshbon
- I assume that this option is out of the question

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

Out of the question
לא בא בחשבון
Pronounced: lo ba beh'eshbon

אני מניח שהאפשרות הזאת היא לא באה בחשבון
Ani mebin shehaefsharut hazot hi lo baa beh'eshbon
I assume that this option is out of the question

6. It can not be

- לא יתכן
- Pronounced: lo yitah'en

You can use this phrase in both formal and informal situations. You can say it after you hear something that sounds unbelievable to you. “No! It can't be!”

Example:

- לא יתכן שזה צירוף מקרים
- Lo yitah'en sheze tziruf mikrim
- It can't be a coincidence

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

It can not be
לא יתכן
Pronounced: lo yitah'en

לא יתכן שזה צירוף מקרים
Lo yitah'en sheze tziruf mikrim
It can't be a coincidence

7. Never #1

- בחיים לא
- Pronounced: bah'ayim lo

How do you say never in Hebrew?

We have two completely interchangeable ways to say never in Hebrew. Say this word combinations when you want to emphasize that you will never ever do something in your life.

Example:

- אני בחיים לא אדבר איתך שוב
- Ani bah'ayim lo edaber it'h'a shuv
- I will never speak to you agin

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

Never #1
בחיים לא
Pronounced: bah'ayim lo

אני בחיים לא אדבר איתך שוב
Ani bah'ayim lo edaber it'h'a shuv
I will never speak to you agin

8. Never #2

- לעולם לא
- Pronounced: leolam lo

This is the second way. There's no difference in meaning between the first never and this one.

Example:

- אנחנו לעולם לא נפגוש אותו שוב
- Anah'nu leolam lo nifgosh oto shuv
- We will never meet him again

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

Never #2
לעולם לא
Pronounced: leolam lo

אנחנו לעולם לא נפגוש אותו שוב
Anah'nu leolam lo nifgosh oto shuv
We will never meet him again

9. I'm afraid not

- לצערי, לא
- Pronounced: letzaari lo

If you want to say “no” politely, you can say “לצערי, לא”. That way, your refusal sounds less rude and less direct.

Example:

- – האם יש בספרייה את הספר הזה? – לצערי, לא.
- – Haim yesh basifriya et hasefer haza? – Letzaari, lo
- Do you have this book in the library? – Unfortunately, no

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

I'm afraid not

לצערי, לא

Pronounced: letzaari lo

האם יש בספרייה את הספר הזה? - לצערי, לא -

- Haim yesh basifriya et hasefer haza? - Letzaari, lo

Do you have this book in the library? - Unfortunately, no

10. Unfortunately, no

- למרבה הצער, לא
- Pronounced: Lemarbe hatzaar, lo

Use it when you want to show that you are really sorry that you can't help.

This is one of the more polite ways to say no in Hebrew.

Example:

- האם אתה יכול לעזור לי, בבקשה? - למרבה הצער, לא -
- - Haim ata yah'ol laazor li bevakasha? - lemarbe hatzaar, lo?
- Could you help me, please? - Unfortunately, no

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

Unfortunately, no

למרבה הצער, לא

Pronounced: Lemarbe hatzaar, lo

האם אתה יכול לעזור לי, בבקשה? - למרבה הצער, לא -

- Haim ata yah'ol laazor li bevakasha? - lemarbe hatzaar,
lo?

Could you help me, please? - Unfortunately, no

11. Under no circumstances

- בשום פנים ואופן לא
- Pronounced: beshum panim veofen lo

This is a very clear refusal to do something. You should use this when you want to emphasize that you really don't want to do something or completely disagree with something.

Example:

- אני בשום פנים ואופן לא מוכן לעשות קפיצת באנג'י
- Ani beshum panim veofen lo muh'an laasot kfitzat banji!
- I will under no circumstances go bungee jumping!

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

Under no circumstances

בשום פנים ואופן לא
Pronounced: beshum panim veofen lo

אני בשום פנים ואופן לא מוכן לעשות קפיצת באנג'י
Ani beshum panim veofen lo muh'an laasot kfitzat banji!
I will under no circumstances go bungee jumping!

12. Probably not

- כנראה שלא
- Pronounced: kanir'e shelo

When you say "כנראה שלא" it means that you are not 100% sure that what you say is true. So, using this expression will help you to express your uncertainty.

Example:

- כנראה שלא נוכל לבוא היום
- Kanir'e shelo nuh'al labo hayom
- We probably won't be able to come today

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

Probably not

כנראה שלא
Pronounced: kanir'e shelo

כנראה שלא נוכל לבוא היום
Kanir'e shelo nuh'al labo hayom
We probably won't be able to come today

13. I don't think so

- לא נראה לי
- Pronounced: lo nir'e li

Here we have another phrase that has some shades of uncertainty. However saying this means that you are more sure than unsure about something.

Example:

- לא נראה לי שהבנתי מה רצית להגיד לי
- Lo nir'e li shehevanti ma ratzita lehagid li
- I do not think I understood what you wanted to tell me

All The Ways to Say NO in Hebrew

I don't think so

לא נראה לי
Pronounced: lo nir'e li

לא נראה לי שהבנתי מה רצית להגיד לי
Lo nir'e li shehevanti ma ratzita lehagid li
I do not think I understood what you wanted to tell me

Now you know all the fun ways to say no in Hebrew.

If you want to learn Hebrew with some actual resources, then check these out.

- [Top 10 Hebrew Textbooks & Books for Beginners](#)
- [How to Learn Hebrew in 5 Minutes a Day \(STUDY TOOLS inside\)](#)
- [Top 10 Hebrew Language Software for PC, Mac: Reviews](#)