

קוד אלף-בית | Code Alef-Bayt

CHANUKAH BLESSINGS

Sing along with [the Three Chanukah Blessings](#) (AUDIO). Follow the text word by word.

Audio courtesy of Oheb Shalom Congregation, South Orange, N.J.

LURN TO REED HEE-BROO WITH "K_̄ŌED ALEF-BAYT."

Follow along in a newly-minted Roman-letter transcription.

See the "silent consonants" and the "doubled letters."

[ADVANCED: Check out [The Rules of Hebrew](#) (in just 2 pages).]

Use what works on Chanukah.

The first candle goes on the far right. Add new candles to the left.

The flames are lit from left to right, with today's flame being lit first.

On Friday evenings, Chanukah candles are lit before Shabbat candles.

The new Code Alef-Bayt transcription in Roman letters Large-type vocalized Hebrew text

Both are divided into syllables. Both include doubled letters.

Both have accented syllables in bold when the accent is not on the last syllable.

BONUS: An easier and more accurate pronunciation guide.

BONUS: A new translation.

1. Chanukah candles
2. Chanukah miracles
3. "Who gives us life"

4. The all-Hebrew page

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CHANUKAH CANDLES

ברוך אתה, אדוני | Blessed are You, A-dō-nYE
 אלהינו, מלך העולם, | our God, master of the world,
 אשר קדשנו במצותיו | who bound us with rules [mEEtz-vōt]
 וצונו להדליק | and ordered us to light
 נר של חנכה | the Chanukah candles

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►► Ba-rookh ⊗ a-tah | ⊗ ah-dō-nYE |
 ⊗ ě-lō-hāE-noo | mě-lĕKH ha-∇ō-lahm |
 ⊗ a-SHĕr keed-d'-shah-noo | b'mEEtz-vō-tav |
 v'TZEEV-vah-noo | l'had-leEK
 nāER | SHĕl khaH-nook-kah

בְּ bEE	בֶּטְ bĕt	בַּי bāy [bāE]	בֵּא ba [bah]
כָּל coAl	בֹּעַ bōe	בַּי bYE	בוֹט boot 71ק Code

א|⊗ ע|∇ The "silent consonants" have unvoiced symbols to mark their places as "vowel carriers."

◀◀ בְּ-רוּךְ אֱ-תָהּ | אֱ-דוֹ-נֵי |
 אֱ-לוֹ-הֵי-נוּ | מֶ-לֶךְ הָ-עוֹ-לָם |
 אֱ-שֶׁר קִדְ-דֵי-שָׁנוּ | בְּ-מִצְוֹתָיו |
 וְ-צִוָּנוּ לְ-הַדְלִיק נֵר | לְ-הַחֲנֹכָה-נֵר

CHANUKAH MIRACLES

ברוך אתה, אדוני | Blessed are You, A-dō-nYE
 , מלך העולם, אלהינו, | our God, master of the world,
 , שעשה נסים לאבותינו, | who did wonders for our ancestors,
 בימים ההם בזמן הזה | in those days at this season

►► Ba-rooKH ⊗a-taH | ⊗aH-dō-nYE |
 ⊗ě-lō-hāE-noo | mĕ-lĕKH ha-∇ō-laHm |
 SHĕH-∇aH-saH neES-SEEM |
 la-⊗aH-vō-tāE-noo | bYE-yah-meEM
 ha-hāEM | baz-z'-mahN haz-zĕH.

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כָּל coAl	בוֹ bōe	בַּי בֵּי bYE	בוֹטְ boot 717 Code

Every syllable (except one) starts with a consonant. CONSONANT-VOWEL or C-VOWEL-C.

◀◀ בְּ-רוּךְ אַתָּה | אַדוֹנֵי |
 אֱ-לוֹ-הֵי-נוּ | מַלְכֵּ-הָ-עוֹלָם |
 נִשְׁ-עַ-שָּׂה נִסִּים | לְ-אַ-בוֹתֵינוּ |
 בֵּי-יָ-מֵי-הָ-הֵם | בְּזֵי-מִן הַזֶּה

WHO GIVES US LIFE

ברוך אתה, אדוני | Blessed are You, A-dō-nYE
 אלהינו, מלך העולם, | our God, master of the world,
 שהחיינו וקיימנו | for giving us life, for keeping us alive,
 והגיענו לזמן הזה | and for helping us reach this season

shĕH-hĕH-khĕH-ya-noo is recited at life-cycle events and on the first evening of holidays.

►► Ba-rookH ⊗a-taH | ⊗aH-dō-nYE |
 ⊗ĕ-lō-hāE-noo | mĕ-lĕKH ha-∇ō-laHm |
 shĕH-hĕH-khĕH-ya-noo | v'-kEE-y'-ma-noo |
 v'hEEg-gEE-∇a-noo | laHZ-z'-mahn ha-zĕH

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 שֶׁ-הֵחֵי-נוּ | וְ-קִיְּ-מָנוּ |
 וְ-הֵגִי-עָנוּ | לְזֶ-מַּן הַזֶּ-הַ

THE 3 CHANUKAH BLESSINGS

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בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה אֲדֹנָי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
 אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו,
 וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
 שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ,
 בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזִמַּן הַזֶּה.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
 שֶׁהִחַיָּנוּ וְקִיָּמָנוּ וְהִגַּעְנוּ לְזִמַּן הַזֶּה.

אֲדֹנָי ("Our Master," "O LORD") | ם״ן ("XX") | ה' or ד' (HaShāem, The Name) |
 יהוה | Yud-Hey-Vov-Hey (The Unpronounceable Name) |

Lesson page

All are pronounced *in prayer* as אֲדֹנָי | Adonai

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