

# חלוצים – Study Packet

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Attached you will find the materials necessary to prepare for the Chalutzim test and, more importantly, for a wonderful summer in Chalutzim. All of these materials were designed to help you to ensure your success on the entrance exam. The questions on the exam will be drawn from the material in this study guide. If you master the material in the guide, you should have no problem passing the test.

You may be familiar with many of the words in the glossary, from previous summers at OSRUI and/or from your Hebrew education at home. You should learn all the words in glossary and be able to translate them from Hebrew to English and English to Hebrew. We suggest that you create flash cards that you can review for 15 minutes every day. This kind of practice will help you tackle the list and feel confident in your knowledge of the vocabulary words and phrases.

After you master the vocabulary, turn to the simple questions found on the study pages. Think about how you would answer these questions about yourself. On the exam you will be asked a few of these questions.

On the last page of the study packet you will find the t'fillah (prayer) section. Although you may already feel competent in reciting these prayers, it is important for you to be able to translate the key phrases in them. You should focus your efforts on the ability to translate them from Hebrew into English.

In addition to the above, you may be asked to write a short paragraph of at least three sentences in Hebrew. You might be asked to write about things such as your typical day, your family, or why you want to go to Chalutzim. It is recommended that you practice writing a couple of these sample paragraphs BEFORE sitting for the test, as it will help you immensely on the day of the test.

The passing score for the Chalutzim Entrance Exam is 70%. If you do not pass the test on the first try in February, we will provide an opportunity for a retest in March.

The main purpose of the Chalutzim entrance exam is to motivate all of our campers, or *chanichim*, to study Hebrew during the fall and winter in order to prepare for the summer. If you feel that you need more support in preparing for this test, a number of congregations in the Chicago area offer Chalutzim prep classes for a nominal fee. If you are in need of such a class, please contact the camp office for a list of locations or speak with your Rabbi, Cantor or Educator for additional help.

This year, Rachel Lyon, OSRUI Registrar, will coordinate the testing on behalf of the Chalutzim faculty. If you need additional help with preparation for the exam you may contact her by e-mail at [rlyon@urj.org](mailto:rlyon@urj.org) or by phone at 847-239-6974. We want to help our 2019 chanichim (campers) prepare for and pass the Chalutzim entrance exam. Have fun and happy studying!

# חלוצים

## Preparation Materials for Chalutzim Test

### Clothing

swim suit – בגד־ים

socks – גרביים

shirt – חולצה

hat – כובע

pants – מכנסים

shoes – נעלים

### Family

father – אבא

brother – אח

sister – אחות

mother – אמא

son – בן

daughter – בת

uncle – דוד

aunt – דודה

grandfather – סבא

grandmother – סבתא

## Food

egg – ביצה

meat – בשר

milk – חלב

bread – לחם

juice – מיץ

chicken – עוף

## Units of Time

hour – שעה

day – יום

week – שבוע

month – חודש

year – שנה

morning – בקר

evening – ערב

## Pronouns

I – אני

you (m,s) – אתה

you (f,s) – את

he – הוא

she – היא

we – אנחנו

you (m,pl and m/f, pl) – אתם

you (f,pl) – אתן

they (m and m/f) – הם

they (f) – הן

## Nature

tree – עֵץ

sun – שֶׁמֶשׁ

rain – גֶּשֶׁם

## Praise

good – טוֹב

very good – טוֹב מְאֹד

correct – נְכוּן

nice – יָפֵה

great/beautiful – יוֹפִי

yes – כֵּן

## Question words

how – אֵיךְ

where – אֵיפֹה

how many/much – כַּמָּה

why – לָמָּה

what – מָה

who – מִי

when – מַתַּי

## Adjectives

big	– גדול
good	– טוב
pretty	– יפה
late	– מאחר
early	– מקדם
small/ little	– קטן
bad	– רע

## Body Parts

ears	– אזניים
nose	– אף
hands	– ידיים
eyes	– עיניים
mouth	– פה
face	– פנים
head	– ראש
legs or feet	– רגלים

## Prepositions

after	– אחרי
to	– אל
like/as	– כמו
before	– לפני
from	– מן/מ
on	– על
with	– עם
of	– של
under	– תחת
in...	– ב

## Camp words

lake	–	אֲגַם
house	–	בַּיִת
door	–	דֶּלֶת
dining hall	–	חֵדֶר-אֲכָל
camper (m)	–	חֲנִיךָ
camper (f)	–	חֲנִיכָה
classroom	–	כֶּתֶה
tower	–	מִגְדָּל
campfire circle	–	מְדוּרָה
counselor (m)	–	מְדַרְיָךְ
counselor (f)	–	מְדַרְיָכָה
notebook	–	מַחְבֵּרֶת
camp	–	מַחֲנֶה
health center	–	מְרַפָּאָה
office	–	מְשָׂרָד
pen	–	עֵט
pencil	–	עֶפְרוֹן
cabin	–	צִרְיָף
Unit Head	–	רֹאשׁ עֵדָה
bathroom	–	שְׂרוּתִים
services	–	תְּפִלוֹת

## Expressions

good morning	–	בֹּקֶר טוֹב
good evening	–	עָרֵב טוֹב
good night	–	לַיְלָה טוֹב
I have	–	יש לי

## Numbers

16 – שש עשרה	1 – אחת
17 – שבע עשרה	2 – שתיים
18 – שמונה עשרה	3 – שלש
19 – תשע עשרה	4 – ארבע
20 – עשרים	5 – חמש
21 – עשרים ואחת	6 – יש
	7 – שבע
30 – שלשים	8 – שמונה
40 – ארבעים	9 – תשע
50 – חמשים	10 – עשר
60 – ששים	11 – אחת עשרה
70 – שבעים	12 – שתיים עשרה
80 – שמונים	13 – שלש עשרה
90 – תשעים	14 – ארבע עשרה
100 – מאה	15 – חמש עשרה

## Selected Verbs (Infinitive and present tense)

she writes – היא כותבת	he writes – הוא כותב	to write – לכתוב
she finishes – היא גומרת	he finishes – הוא גומר	to finish – לגמור
she learns – היא לומדת	he learns – הוא לומד	to learn – ללמוד
she rises up – היא קמה	he rises up – הוא קם	to rise up – לקום
she buys – היא קונה	he buys – הוא קונה	to buy – לקנות
she sees – היא רואה	he sees – הוא רואה	to see – לראות
she wants – היא רוצה	he wants – הוא רוצה	to want – לרצות
she sits – היא יושבת	he sits – הוא יושב	to sit – לשבת
she walks – היא הולכת	he walks – הוא הולך	to walk – ללכת
she stands – היא עומדת	he stands – הוא עומד	to stand – לעמד
she hears – היא שומעת	he hears – הוא שומע	to hear – לשמע
she opens – היא פותחת	he opens – הוא פותח	to open – לפתוח
she lives – היא גרה	he lives – הוא גר	to live – לגור



## Sample questions and answers

אַפּוּה אַתָּה גָר (אַתָּה גָרָה)?

Where do you live?

אַנִי גָר (גָרָה) בְּשִׁיקָגוֹ.

I live in Chicago.

מִי הָרַב שְׁלֹךְ (שְׁלֹךְ)?

Who is your Rabbi?

הָרַב שְׁלִי רַב שְׁפִירוֹ.

My Rabbi is Rabbi Shapiro.

בֵּן (בֵּת) כַּמָּה אַתָּה (אַתָּה)?

How old are you?

אַנִי בֵּן (בֵּת) אַרְבַּע עָשָׂר.

I am fourteen.

מַתִּי אַתָּה קָם (אַתָּה קָמָה) בַּבֹּקֶר?

When do you get up in the morning?

אַנִי קָם (קָמָה) בְּשֵׁשׁ בַּבֹּקֶר.

I wake up at 6 in the morning.

## Prayers

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.  
Praised are You, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us by giving us commandments and commanded us to kindle the lights of Shabbat.

וְאַהֲבַת אֶת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ, בְּכָל לִבְבְּךָ, וּבְכָל נַפְשֶׁךָ וּבְכָל מְאֹדְךָ.  
You should love The Eternal your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your being.

וְשָׁמְרוּ בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם בְּרִית עוֹלָם.  
The children of Israel shall keep the Shabbat, observing the Shabbat throughout their generations as an eternal covenant.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר בָּנוּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים וְנָתַן לָנוּ אֶת תּוֹרָתוֹ.  
Praised are You, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has chosen us from among all the peoples and given us the Torah.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֱלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק, וְאֱלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב.  
Praised are You, Eternal our God and God of our ancestors; God of Abraham, God of Isaac and God of Jacob.

עַל שְׁלֹשָׁה דְּבָרִים הָעוֹלָם עוֹמֵד, עַל הַתּוֹרָה וְעַל הָעִבּוּדָה וְעַל גְּמִילוּת חַסְדִּים.  
On three things the world stands: Torah, worship, and good deeds.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.  
Praised are You, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמְרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ, וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.  
May the One who makes peace in the heights, make peace for us and for all Israel, - and say "Amen."

# SAMPLE TEST

This is an old test being used as a sample of the test format. Unlike the current test, this sample test may contain material not in the Study Guide.

1. Translate into English. (15 )

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|-------|---------------|-------|-------------|-------|-------------|
| _____ | 11. שָׁעַר    | _____ | 6. אוֹמֵר   | _____ | 1. לָחֵם    |
| _____ | 12. מִלְחָמָה | _____ | 7. עוֹמֵד   | _____ | 2. נָלַת    |
| _____ | 13. מִתָּר    | _____ | 8. לוֹמֵד   | _____ | 3. לִיָּלָה |
| _____ | 14. שָׂדֵה    | _____ | 9. מְדַבֵּר | _____ | 4. בַּיִת   |
| _____ | 15. מְטָרָה   | _____ | 10. סוֹגֵר  | _____ | 5. אִישׁ    |

2. Translate into English. ( 15 )

1. האבא יושב על הכסא.

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2. המורה רואה הרבה ילדים בגן.

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3. מי גר במקום הזה ?

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4. אני חושב שהוא יכול ללכת.

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5. העבודה הזאת קשה מדי בשבילי.

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3. Answer in complete Hebrew sentences. ( 6 )

1. בן כמה אתה ?

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2. מה שם בית הכנסת שלך ?

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3. איפה למדת עברית ?

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4. Write a Hebrew paragraph telling why you want to go to Chalutzim.

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5. Translate the following prayers into English . ( 12 )

1. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.

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2. וְאַחֲבַת אֶת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל לִבְבְּךָ וּבְכָל נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל מְאֹדְךָ.

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3. וְאַנְחֵנו כּוֹרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לְפָנֶי מֶלֶךְ מַלְכֵי הַמַּלְכִּים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא.

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4. וְשִׁמְרוּ בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת הַשְּׁבֻת לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת הַשְּׁבֻת לְדוֹרוֹתֵם בְּרִית עוֹלָם.

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6. Translate into Hebrew.

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|----------|-------|--------------|-------|
| 1. Six   | _____ | 6. Table     | _____ |
| 2. Seven | _____ | 7. Light     | _____ |
| 3. Eight | _____ | 8. Wall      | _____ |
| 4. Nine  | _____ | 9. Newspaper | _____ |
| 5. Ten   | _____ | 10. Room     | _____ |
|          |       | 11. After    | _____ |
|          |       | 12. Before   | _____ |
|          |       | 13. Silence  | _____ |
|          |       | 14. war      | _____ |

7. Translate into Hebrew ( 12 )

1. He walked to the house.

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2. She does not want to speak Hebrew .

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3. When will they arrive in the city ?

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4. We ride horses every summer.

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8. Give the correct form of the verb ( כָּתַב ) ( 6 )

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| 1. He writes _____  | 4. We wrote _____        |
| 2. She writes _____ | 5. We will write _____   |
| 3. I wrote _____    | 6. They will write _____ |

9. Give the infinitive of the verb. Include vowels ( 5 )

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| _____ נִסַּע 2 | _____ כָּתַב 1 |
| _____ קָוַם 4  | _____ קָבַל 3  |
|                | _____ יָשַׁב 5 |

10. Write these numbers in Hebrew. ( 5 )

1. Seven \_\_\_\_\_
2. Thirteen \_\_\_\_\_
3. Forty \_\_\_\_\_
4. Sixty - four \_\_\_\_\_
5. One hundred \_\_\_\_\_