**14. Pronominal suffixes on Perfect/Imperfect Verbs**

**14. A. Introduction:** Pronominal suffixes can be added directly to verb forms to specify the object of the verb. While in Chapter 6 we have previously seen pronominal suffixes on nouns and prepositions (e.g. עַמְּכֶם, מִמֶּנּוּ) and even the direct object marker (e.g. אֹתָם), now we will examine how pronominal suffixes are added onto verbal forms indicating the direct object of the verb.

So we are aware of forms like: verb + object marker (with a pronominal suffix)

שָׁמַרְנוּ אֹתָם we guarded them

אֶשְׁמֹר אֹתוֹ I will guard him

14. B. **Form of the suffixes**

The form of the verbal pronominal suffixes are pretty much the same as the nouns. Notice that the nominative form in English (e.g. I, he, she, we, they) are not used in translation but the accusative English form indicated they are the object of the verb (e.g. me, him, her, us, them).

Verbal Pronominal Endings

Singular Plural

1 CS ִי (or נִי) me 1 CP נוּ us

2 MS ךָ you (m) 2 MP כֶם you (m)

2 FS ךְ you (f) 2 FP כֶן you (f)

3 MS וֹ (or הוּ) him 3 MP ם/הֶם them (m)

3 FS ָהּ (or הָ) her 3 FP הֶן ן/ them (f)

Suffixes added to a 3ms verbal root (ending in a consonant): שָׁמַר

שְׁמָרַנִי he guarded me שְׁמָרָנוּ he guarded us

שְׁמָֽרְךָ he guarded you (m) שְׁמָֽרְכֶם he guarded you (m)

שְׁמָרֵךְ he guarded you (f) שְׁמָֽרְכֶן he guarded you (f)

שְׁמָרוֹ he guarded him שְׁמַרָם he guarded them (m)

שְׁמַרָהּ he guarded her שְׁמָרָן he guarded them (f)

Suffixes added to a 3cp verbal root (ending in a vowel): שָׁמַר

שְׁמָרוּנִי they guarded me שְׁמָרוּנוּ they guarded us

שְׁמָרוּךָ they guarded you (m) שְׁמָֽרוּכֶם they guarded you (m)

שְׁמָרוּךְ they guarded you (f) שְׁמָֽרוּכֶן they guarded you (f)

שְׁמָרוּהוּ they guarded him שְׁמַרוּם they guarded them (m)

שְׁמַרוּהָ they guarded her שְׁמָרוּן they guarded them (f)

Notable variations to the verbal root suffixes when pronominal suffixes added:

1. 3fs the normal ָה ending is changed to ַת (e.g. שְׁמַרַתְנִי, שְׁמָרַתְךָ ...)
2. 2fs the normal תְּ ending is changed to תִּי (e.g. שְׁמַרְתִּיהָ). Note that the תִּי ending is exactly the same as the 1CS ending. Context will have to be used to distinguish the two.

Examples:

וְאָמַרְתִּי לָהֶם אֱלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵיכֶם שְׁלָחַנִי אֲלֵיכֶם (Exod 3:13)

I say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,

מֶלֶךְ־אֲרָם שְׁלָחַנִי אֵלֶיךָ לֵאמֹר (2Ki 8:9)

The King of Aram has sent me to you, saying

**14. C. Pronominal Suffixes added to Imperfect Verbs.**

The pronominal suffixes for a vowel ending imperfect are pretty much the same as the perfect suffixes. So in the following example note the endings are the same but the end causes no internal change of the vowels although in some cases the šûreq (וּ ) can be written defectively as a qibbûṣ (ֻ ).

Pronominal suffixes added to a vocalic ending imperfect of שָׁמַר (יִשְׁמְרוּ 3cp; they will guard)

יִשְׁמְרוּנִי they will guard me יִשְׁמְרוּנוּ they will guard us

יִשְׁמְרוּךָ they will guard you (m) יִשְׁמְרוּכֶם they will guard you (m)

יִשְׁמְרוּךְ they will guard you (f) יִשְׁמְרוּכֶן they will guard you (f)

יִשְׁמְרוּהוּ they will guard him יִשְׁמְרוּם they will guard them (m)

יִשְׁמְרוּהָ they will guard her יִשְׁמְרוּן they will guard them (f)

Pronominal suffixes added to a consonantal ending imperfect of שָׁמַר (יִשְׁמֹר 3mp; he will guard). Note that the connecting vowel is either a ševā’, ṣerê or seghôl. For the 2ms, 2mp and 2fp the ševā’ under the second consonant goes to a qāmeṣ ḥatûf.

יִשְׁמְרֵנִי he will guard me יִשְׁמְרֵנוּ he will guard us

יִשְׁמָרְךָ he will guard you (m) יִשְׁמָרְכֶם he will guard you (m)

יִשְׁמְרֵךְ he will guard you (f) יִשְׁמָרְכֶן he will guard you (f)

יִשְׁמְרֵהוּ he will guard him יִשְׁמְרֵם he will guard them (m)

יִשְׁמְרֶהָ he will guard her יִשְׁמְרֵן he will guard them (f)

Examples:

כִּי עַתָּה יֶאֱהָבַנִי אִישִׁי (Gen 29:32)

now my husband will love me

מִי־יִתְּנֵנִי כְיַרְחֵי־קֶדֶם כִּימֵי אֱלוֹהַּ יִשְׁמְרֵנִי (Job 29:2)

Oh, that I were set as in the months of old, as in the days when God watched over me

Pronominal suffixes can also be added to imperative verbs basically in the same way as they are added to imperfect verbs.

14. D. Parsing format:  
  
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אֶשְׁלָחֲךָ Qal Imperfect 1cs from שָׁלַח with 2ms suffix “I will send you”

14F. **Chapter 14 Vocabulary**

1) אַף nose, anger, 2) also 410

2) בַּיִן / בֵּין between 407

3) נָא please, now 406

4) מָקוֹם place 401

5) זָהָב gold 389

6) אֵשׁ fire 376

7) נְאֻם utterance, declaration 376

8) שַׁעַר gate 373

9) נָגַד to tell, report 370

10) דָּם blood 355

14 F. Memory Verses  
 Memorize so you can orally recite line A, B, C, D and E:

אַשְׁרֵי ־ הָאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר לֹא הָלַךְ בַּעֲצַת רְשָׁעִים A:

wicked in the counsel walks not which the person blessed

וּבְדֶרֶךְ חַטָּאִים לֹא עָמָדB:

stand not sinners and in a way

וּבְמוֹשַׁב לֵצִים לֹא יָשָׁב׃ C:

sit not mockers and in the seat

כִּי אִם בְּתוֹרַת יְהוָה חֶפְצוֹ D:

his delight will be in the Torah but

וּֽבְתוֹרָתוֹ יֶהְגֶּה יוֹמָם וָלָיְלָה׃E:

and night daily meditate and in the Torah

F. וְהָיָה כְּעֵץ שָׁתוּל עַל־פַּלְגֵי מָיִם

He is like a tree planted by streams of water   
 G. אֲשֶׁר פִּרְיוֹ יִתֵּן בְּעִתּוֹ

which yield their fruit in its season

H. יִתֵּן בְּעִתּוֹ וְעָלֵהוּ לֹא־יִבּוֹל

and their leaves do not wither

I. וְכֹל אֲשֶׁר־יַעֲשֶׂה יַצְלִיחַ׃

In all that he does, he prospers.

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1. Vocabulary Review

1) מָקוֹם \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2) נָשָׂא \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3) שָׁם \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4) בַּת \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5) עָלָה \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6) שַׁעַר \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7) חֶ֫רֶב \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8) גָּם \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9) נָכָה \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10) שָׁנָה \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

11) עָנָה \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

12) יָצָא \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

13) בָּנָה \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

14) נָגַד \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

15) מִי \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Translation

1) וְלֹא יְדַעְתָּנִי (Isa 45:5)

And you do not know me

2) כִּי אֲהֵבְךָ וְאֶת־בֵּיתֶךָ (Deut 15:16)

3) מֶה־עָנָךְ יְהוָה (Jer 23:37)

What has the LORD answered you?

4)שְׁמַע־נָא חֲנַנְיָה לֹֽא־שְׁלָחֲךָ יְהוָה (Jer 28:15)

5) בָּרוּךְ הַבָּא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה בֵּרַֽכְנוּכֶם מִבֵּית יְהוָֽה (Psa 118:26)

Blessed is the one coming in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the   
 house of the LORD

6)לֹא זְכַרְתָּם עוֹד (Psa 88:6)

7)יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ אַתָּה עֲנִיתָם (Psa 99:8)

O LORD our God, you answered them

8)וְלֹא שְׁמַעְתָּם פֶּן־תֹּאמַר הִנֵּה יְדַעְתִּין (Isa 48:7)

9)וַיֹּאמְרוּ בָּאנוּ אֶל־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר שְׁלַחְתָּנוּ (Num 13:27)

And they said, We came to the land to which you sent us.

10)הוּא יִקְרָאֵנִי אָבִי אָתָּה אֵלִי (Psa 89:26 [27])

11)יִקְרָאֵנִי וְאֶעֱנֵהוּ עִמּוֹ־אָנֹכִי בְצָרָה (Psa 91:15)

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble (note NIV/NRSV= them; why?)

12)לֵאמֹר אַהֲרֹן וּבָנָיו יֹאכְלֻהוּ (Lev 8:31)

13) קָרוֹב יְהוָה לְכָל־קֹרְאָיו לְכֹל אֲשֶׁר יִקְרָאֻהוּ בֶאֱמֶת (Psa 145:18)  
 [קָרוֹב = near)

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

14) הָעֹבֵד הָעִיר יַעַבְדוּהוּ מִכֹּל שִׁבְטֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל (Ezek 48:19) (שִׁבְטֵי= tribes of)

15)וְיִקָּחֶהָ לָּנוּ וְיַשְׁמִעֵנוּ אֹתָהּ וְנַעֲשֶׂנָּה (Deu 30:13) [וְיַשְׁמִעֵנוּ=he will cause us to hear)

and he will get it for us and cause us to hear it and we will observe it

16)אַתָּה־יְהוָה תִּשְׁמְרֵם (Psa 12:8)

17)כִּי־נָעִים כִּי־תִשְׁמְרֵם בְּבִטְנֶךָ (Pro 22:18) [בֶּטֶן=belly; נָעִים=pleasant]

for it will be pleasant if you keep them within you

3. Parsing

Format:

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1) מְצָאוּנִי \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2) יִשְׁמָעֶךָּ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3) תִּשָּׂאֵנִי \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4) נְתַתִּים \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5) עָשׂוּנִי \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6) תִּתְּנֵנוּ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7) נֹאכְלֶנּוּ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8) אֲשִֽׂימְךָ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9) יְדַעֲנוּם \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10) יִשְׁמָרְךָ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_