

L E S S O N

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Student's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

NEW WORD

וְאַהֲבַתְּ

v'ahavta

and you shall love

NEW LETTERS

א alef no sound

ו vav "v"

Now Read & Read Again

1 דו שו תו שו ול זה

2 וו זה ות ור וד וא

3 לו מו כו הו תו בו

4 דור שזה תזה אזה לו אבה

5 אתר דזה הזה שזא ולד דבש

6 אשרה אדזה ראזה ואתה ואהב

7 אבדה שלזה ואכל מלזה הדבר

8 והלכת ואהבת ואמרת ולמדת ואהבת

BEYOND THE BOOK

Sssh!

There are two letters in the Hebrew alphabet that have no sound. This week, your child is learning the first one—*alef* (א). (The second one is *ayin*.) If your child has difficulty with this concept, you can explain that the *alef* takes the sound of the vowel under it or after it. Occasionally, you will see a “silent” letter *with no vowel* at the end of a word. In this case, remind your child not to pronounce the letter.

“And You Shall Write it on the Doorposts of Your House”

In Deuteronomy we find the beginning of the prayer that is commonly called the V’ahavta. This prayer is part of our daily service and is also written on the parchment found in the mezuzah—which can be affixed to any doorway in your home (except the bathroom). When you affix the mezuzah say the following blessing:

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, melech ha’olam, asher kid’shanu b’mitzvotav v’tzivanu likbo’a m’zuzah.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who makes us holy with commandments and commands us to affix the mezuzah.

1 דוֹ שׁוֹ תוֹ שׁוֹ וְלֹ וְהַ
v’ha vala sh’va tava shava dava

2 וּוֹ וְהַ וְתֹ וְרֹ וְדֹ וְאֹ
va’a vada var vat vah vav

3 לֹ מֹ כֹ הֹ תֹ בֹ
bav tav hava k’va mava lava

4 דֹרֹ שֹוֹהֹ תֹוֹהֹ אֹוֹהֹ לֹ אֹוֹהֹ
avah lav avah tavah shavah davar

5 אֹתֹרֹ דֹוֹהֹ הֹוֹהֹ שֹוֹאֹ וְלֹדֹ דֹבֹשׁ
d’vash valad sh’va havah davah atar

6 אֹשֹרֹהֹ אֹדֹוֹהֹ רֹאֹוֹהֹ וְאֹתֹהֹ וְאֹהֹבֹ
v’ahav v’atah ra’avah advah asharah

7 אֹבֹדֹהֹ שֹלֹוֹהֹ וְאֹכֹלֹ מֹלֹוֹהֹ הֹדֹבֹרֹ
hadavar m’lavah v’achal shalvah avdah

8 וְהֹלֹכֹתֹ וְאֹהֹבֹתֹ וְאֹמֹרֹתֹ וְלֹמֹדֹתֹ וְאֹהֹבֹתֹ
v’ahavta v’lamad’ta v’amarta v’ahavta v’halachta