

Genesis 1:1

Text

Hebrew	<p>ראשית plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>Meanings:</p> <p>* Beginning * Finest (or choice) * First (first fruits) * Principal thing</p> <p>Embraces the idea of beginnings, first part, chief value and first-fruits. The context determines the specific meaning.</p> <p>Derived from ראש</p> <p>Feminine, noun ראשית plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>Meaning:</p> <p>* To create * To cut down, select, feed</p> <p>Bara is a verb that is never takes a human subject; God is always the one who creates in the Old Testament. In contrast, עשה (to make or do) and יצר (to form and to build) do often have humans as the subject. אלהים plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>Meanings:</p> <p>* God * god * goddess * divine ones * angels</p> <p>Noun, masculine את plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>The Hebrew את word does not have a corresponding word in English. In Hebrew, it is a marker of the accusative, i.e. the word following it is the object of the sentence.</p> <p>For example, in Genesis 1:1 the word is preceded by השמים (אלהים) ברא plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>Meanings:</p> <p>* Heaven or heavens * Sky * Compass</p> <p>Masculine noun. The word is dual in form (ending in -ים) which normally indicates two things (like eyes and hands), however, however it functions as a plural. Deuteronomy 10:14 states that Genesis 1:20Psalm 115:3 ואת plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>The Hebrew את word does not have a corresponding word in English. In Hebrew, it is a marker of the accusative, i.e. the word following it is the object of the sentence.</p> <p>For example, in Genesis 1:1 the word is preceded by הארץ (אלהים) ברא plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big</p> <p>hebrew</p> <p>Meaning:</p> <p>* Earth (e.g. Genesis 1:1) or world * Land * Countries or country</p> <p>The word ארץ can designate the whole of planet earth, or the inhabitable world or the national territory or ground.</p> <p>When coupled with heavens (שמים), the phrase indicates the entire created order. Genesis 12:1</p>
ESV	In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.
NIV	In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.
NLT	In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

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Preposition meaning "in". ἀρχῆplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigἀρχή

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Meaning:

* Beginning * First * Elementary * Rulers, rule, domain

Noun, feminine (first declension)

Occurs 56 times in the New Testament, consistently conveying the idea of primacy - whether temporal (i.e. the start, e.g. John 1:1) or causal (i.e. the source) or governmental (i.e. the ruler, e.g. Ephesians 6:12 ἐποίησενplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigποίησεν

Meaning:

* To do * To make

This verb - to do or make - is used in connection with a large range of activities including creation, covenant formation, obedience, miracles, sin and worship.

Verb forms

Present tense Person Greek Form ὀplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigὀ

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The definite article θεόςplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigθεός

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Masculine noun meaning:

* A god or goddess * God τὸνplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigτὸν

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The definite article οὐρανὸνplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigοὐρανός

Meaning:

* The sky * Air * Heaven or heavens

278 occurrences in the New Testament.

Οὐρανός is used in Scripture to describe the sky and universe (that is, the visible expanse above the earth) as well as the transcendent realm where God is present. For example, in Matthew 6:26Matthew 24:29Matthew 6:9 καὶplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigκαὶ

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Meaning

* And * Also * Both * Even * Too * So

Is a conjunction that connects single words or terms or sentences. IT is most frequently translated as "and" τῆνplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigτῆν

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The definite article γῆνplugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigγῆ

Meaning:

* Soil or ground (e.g. Matthew 13:5) * Land (e.g. Luke 4:5) * Country * Earth (e.g. Matthew 5:5)

Feminine noun. Connected to the English words "ground", "geometry" and "geology".

It occurs throughout the LXX and the New Testament (approximately 250 times in the New Testament) and its meaning varies subtly on context, for example, in the LXX:Genesis 1:1Genesis 2:7Genesis 12:1

LXX

KJV	In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
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