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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. It only ever occurs in conjunction with nouns associated with the definite article [ה](#). Genesis 1:1 [שֵׁם אֱלֹהִים יְהִי](#) [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#) הָיָה

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The word [הָיָה](#) means “to exist” or “to be” or “to become” or “to come into being” and occurs 3561 times in the Old Testament.

This is the foundational verb of existence, identity, becoming and occurrence.

* It is used in the creation narrative of Genesis 1, represented by the English words Genesis 1:3 Exodus 3:12 Ruth 1:1 Isaiah 2:2 [שֵׁם אֱלֹהִים כִּי אֵב הָמוֹן גּוֹיִם נִתְּתִיד](#)

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