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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 [לְעֵדָה כִּי חִפְרָתִי אֶת](#) [plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_big](#)

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