

Verbs Uniquely Common in Aramaic

The list of the most common verbs in Aramaic that also differ from their Hebrew counterparts in more ways than by just the normal phonetic equivalencies, such as אָחַז vs. אָחַז “to hold”. Many of these verbs also occur in Biblical Hebrew poetry, or in BH nominal forms (such as הִזָּה “seer”) but are not the common Hebrew equivalents. And take special note of “false friends”, i.e., that appear to be the same but have a substantially different meanings in the two languages, such as שָׁכַח and דָּבַר.

<u>ʔgr</u> vb. a/a, a/u to hire (s.t., s.o)
<u>ʔzl</u> vb. a/i, a/a to go
<u>ʔyt</u> (ʔīt, ʔītay/ē-) vb./adv. = Hebrew הִי there is, exists
<u>ʔlp, ylp</u> vb. e(a)/a to learn; D,C: to teach
<u>ʔsy</u> vb. D to heal
<u>ʔr^s</u> vb. a/u(a) (earlier: עָרַע) to attain; to meet
<u>ʔty</u> vb. to come
<u>b^{ʔš}</u> vb. e/a to be bad, to be displeasing
<u>b^sy</u> vb. to ask, to beg, to inquire
<u>gwh</u> vb. a/u to overflow; C make war
<u>dbr</u> vb. a/a to lead, to drive
<u>dwn</u> vb. a/i(u) to judge

<u>dhl</u> vb. a(e)/a to fear
<u>dmk</u> vb. i(u)/u to lie down
<u>hwy</u> vb. to be, to become (=Heb. היה)
<u>hymn</u> vb. to believe (<Heb. האמין)
<u>zbn</u> vb. a/u to buy; D to sell
<u>zw^ʿ</u> vb. a/u to move; to tremor
<u>hdy</u> vb. a(i)/e to rejoice
<u>hdr</u> vb. a/a to go around
<u>hwy</u> vb. to see (??); D to show
<u>hzy</u> vb. to see
<u>t^ʿy</u> vb. to wander; to forget
<u>ymy</u> vb. to swear
<u>ysp</u> vb. e/a to worry about, take care
<u>knš</u> vb. a/u to gather; sweep up (compare Hebrew כנס)
<u>krh</u> vb. to be sick

<u>kry</u> vb. to be short; to grieve
<u>lwt</u> vb. a/u to curse
<u>lyt</u> (layt/lēt) vb./adv. there is/are not
<u>mhy</u> vb. to strike
<u>mty</u> vb. to come, to reach
<u>ml</u> vb. D to speak
<u>mr^s</u> vb. a/a to be sick
<u>ngd</u> vb. i/u to draw towards oneself
<u>nht</u> vb. i/u(a) to descend
<u>nsb</u> vb. e/a to take
<u>nsb</u> vb. a/o to plant
<u>s⁷b</u> vb. D to defile, to dirty
<u>sbr</u> vb. a/a(u) to expect; to reason
<u>sgd</u> vb. e/u(a) to bow down
<u>sgy</u> vb. i(a)/e to be many

<u>shd</u> vb. e/a to testify
<u>swbr</u> vb. <u>sybr</u> vb. to carry, to bear
<u>shr</u> vb. to go around; to beg
<u>slq</u> vb. e/a to go up
<u>s^ˆd</u> vb. to help, to aid
<u>s^ˆr</u> vb. to visit; to act
<u>ˆdy</u> vb. to pass over
<u>ˆbd</u> vb. a/e to make, act, do
<u>ˆll</u> vb. a/u to enter
<u>ˆrq</u> vb. to flee
<u>plg</u> vb. a/u (e/a) to divide
<u>plh</u> vb. a/a,u to work
<u>prq</u> vb. a/u(a) to redeem; to dismantle
<u>pys</u> vb. D to appease, to reconcile
<u>pr^ˆ</u> vb. a/a(u) to pay back, punish

<u>sby</u> vb. to desire
<u>sly</u> vb. to bend down; D to pray
<u>qtl</u> vb. a/u to kill
<u>rgg</u> vb. a/a to desire
<u>rdy</u> vb. a/e to travel, move along; to train
<u>rmy</u> vb. to throw; put down
<u>rht</u> vb. e/a,a/u = Hebrew רָחַץ to run
<u>šbq</u> vb. a/u to leave; to permit
<u>šdr</u> vb. D to dispatch
<u>šdy</u> vb. to throw (away or down)
<u>šwy</u> vb. a/e to be equal; D to put down
<u>šyzb, šwzb</u> vb. to save
<u>šysy</u> vb. to destroy
<u>škh</u> vb. a/a to find; to be capable
<u>škl</u> vb. to complete

<u>šmš</u> vb. D to serve
<u>šql</u> vb. a/u to lift, take away
<u>šry</u> vb. to loosen; D to begin
<u>šrr</u> vb. a(u), a to be firm, true
<u>štp</u> vb. D to make an ally (also šwtp in Syriac)
<u>tb^š</u> vb. a/a to seek, demand
<u>tqn</u> vb. e/a to be proper
<u>tqp</u> vb. e(u)/a to be strong
<u>trš</u> vb. e(a)/u to set right