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**COURSE CODE:** CRS316  
**COURSE TITLE:** HEBREW SYNTAX  
**CREDIT UNIT:** 3  
**TIME ALLOWED:** 3 HOURS  
**INSTRUCTION:** ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

**QUESTIONS**

- 1a. Explain the difference between the definite and the indefinite articles in Hebrew. 7 marks
- 1b. State three (3) exceptions to the rule of writing articles in Hebrew 7 marks
2. Complete the following on the uses of the inseparable prepositions in Hebrew:
  - i. Before \_\_\_\_ letters, the first consonant of the receiving word drops its dagesh lene.
  - ii. Before a \_\_\_\_, the preposition drops its shewa and takes a hirek.
  - iii. If the preposition is to be prefixed to a compound shewa, the simple shewa of the preposition would take the \_\_\_\_ vowel of the class of the compound shewa.
  - iv. When the preposition is prefixed to a word that has a definite article, the \_\_\_\_ of the definite article would be substituted with the consonant of the preposition. 14 marks
3. Give the English of the following Hebrew vocabularies (1.75 marks each):

חֶשֶׁךְ	נֶתַן
יָלַד	זֹאת
קָדוֹשׁ	טוֹב
כֶּהֱן	רֹאשׁ
קָטַל	בֵּית
4. Complete the following sentences with some examples on the imperfect state of the Hebrew verb:
  - i. The imperfect state of the verb in the Hebrew language is used to express \_\_\_\_ action of the verb.
  - ii. The imperfect state in its formation is preceded by the fragments of the \_\_\_\_
  - iii. The fragments are called \_\_\_\_.
  - iv. The major distinguishing mark between the perfect and the imperfect is the use of \_\_\_\_ in the imperfect state.
  - v. The perfect state of the verb never used the \_\_\_\_

5. Translate the following into English (3.5 marks each)

- i. סוס קאיש
- ii. תורת יהודה
- iii. ספר קאיש סוס
- iv. הוא המלך הטוב
- v. התקטלו