

# Writing the Alef-Bet

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**Scribal Writing:**  
Straight lines **MUST** be scratched into the parchment  
**BEFORE** any text is written.

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# Scribal Writing: *Alef* through *Tav*

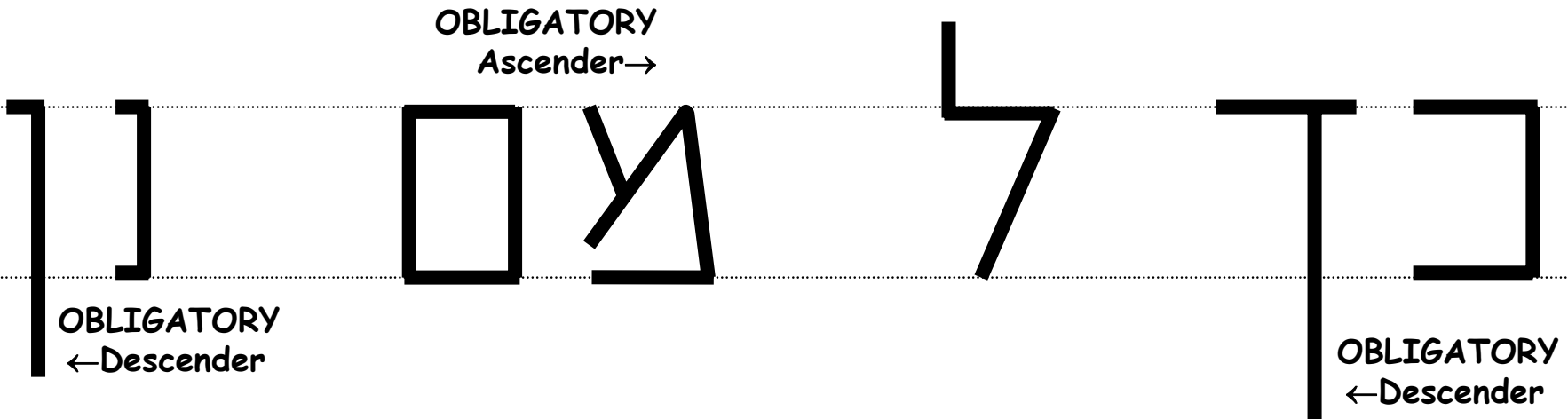
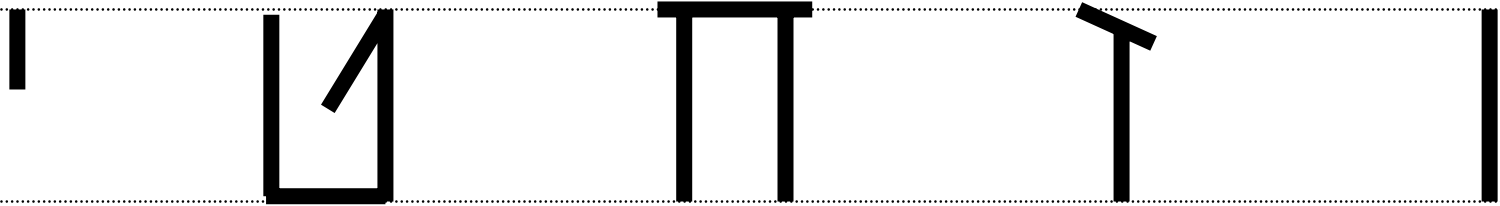
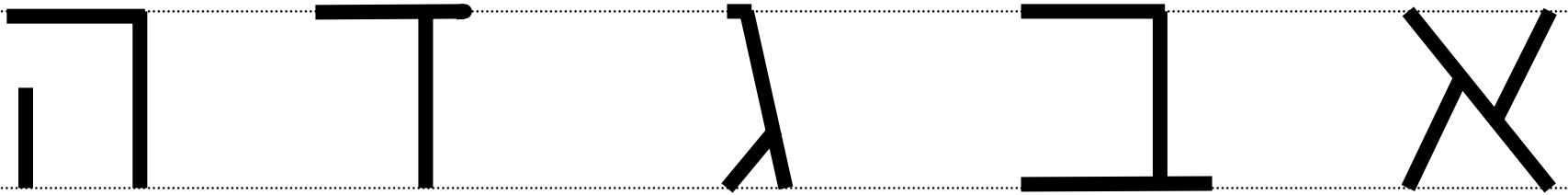
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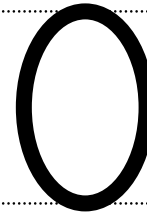
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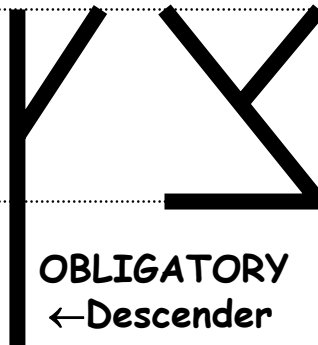
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# Block Writing 1: *Noon* through *Tav*




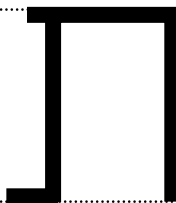
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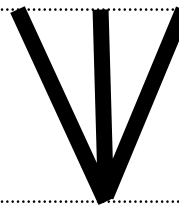
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# Block Writing 2: *Alef* through *Tav*

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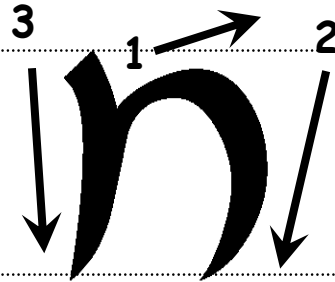
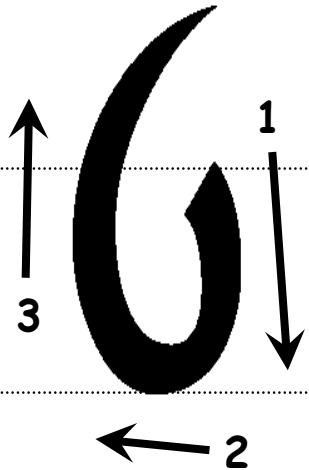
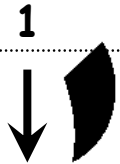
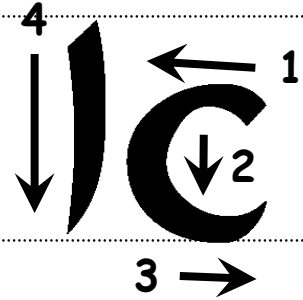
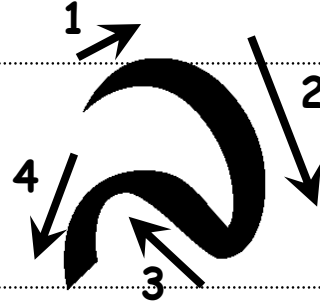
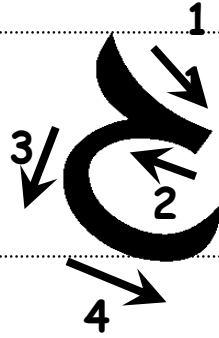
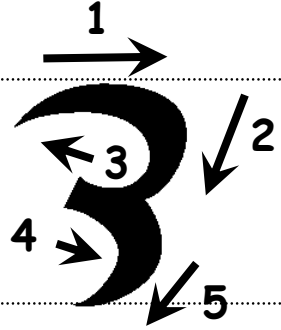
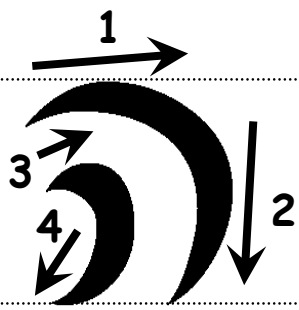
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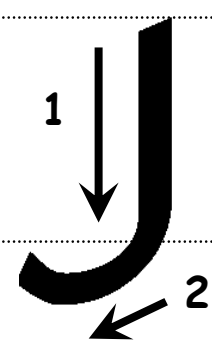
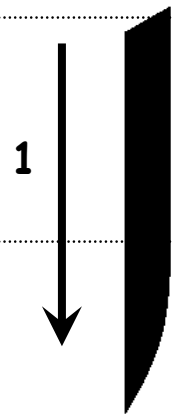
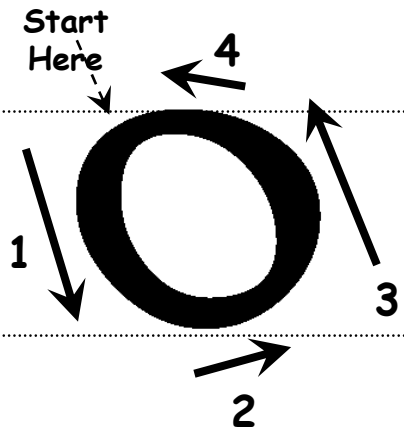
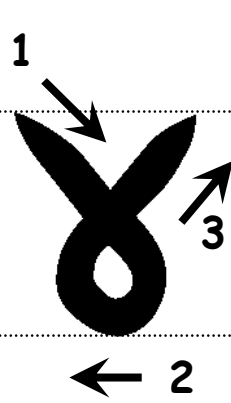
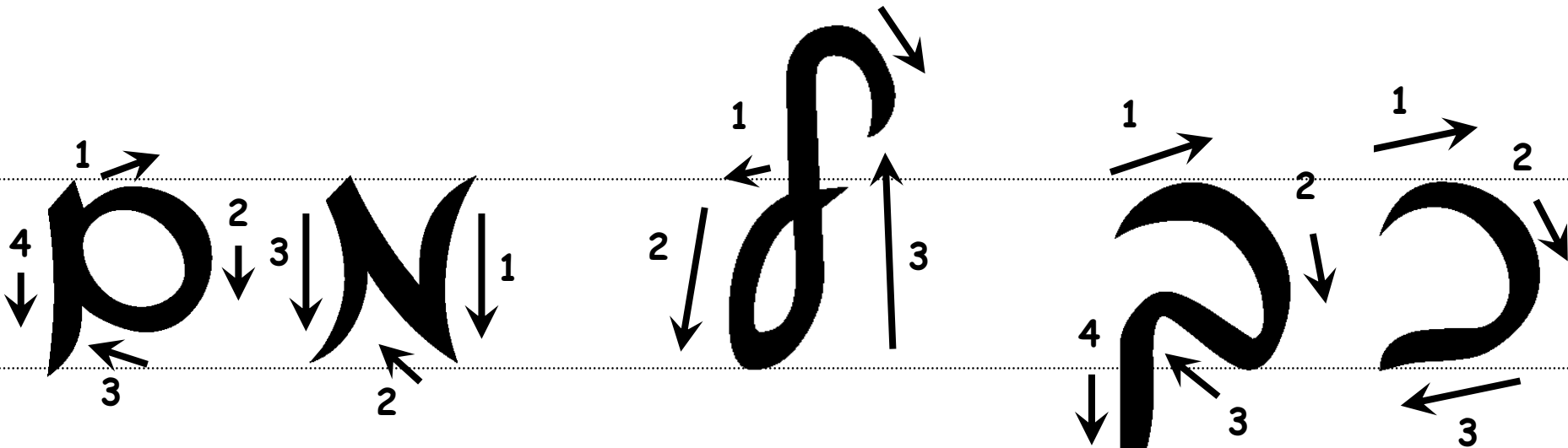
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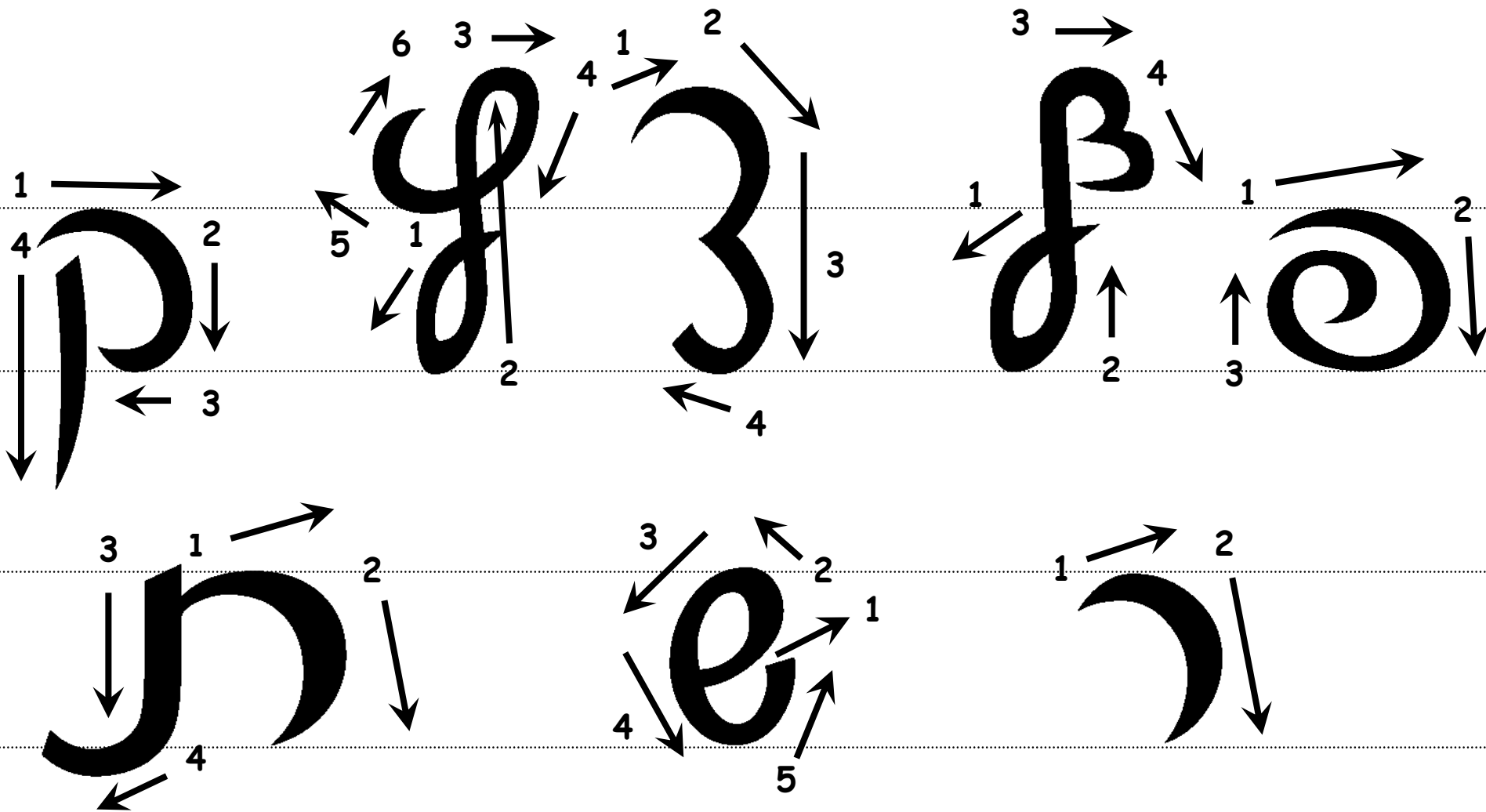


# Cursive: *Khaf* through 'Ayin





# Cursive: *Pey* through *Tav*

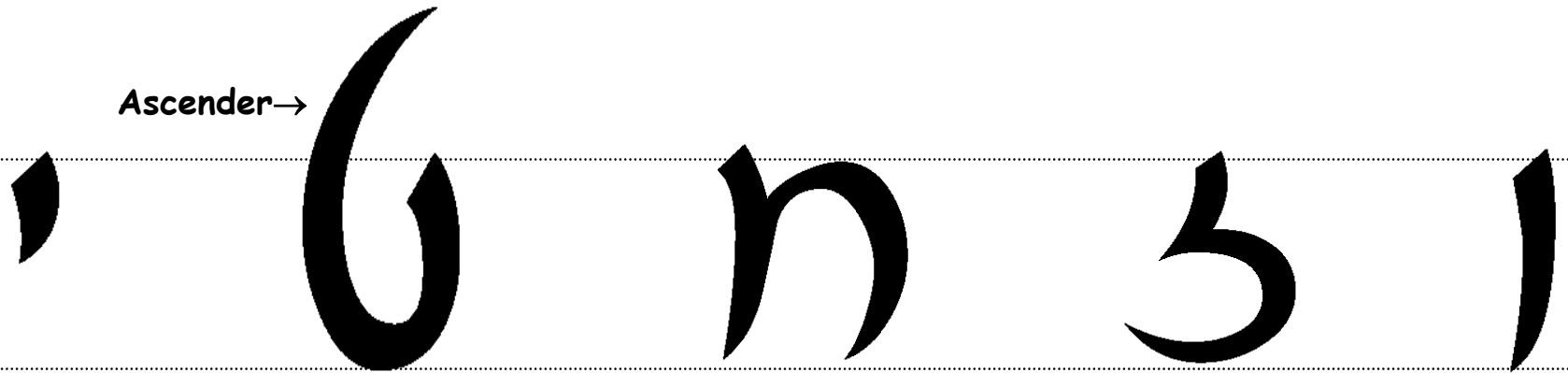


# Ascenders & Descenders in Cursive: *Alef through Yud*

NOTE: All marked Ascenders are obligatory.



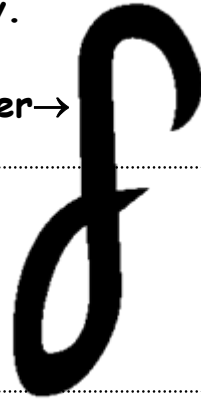
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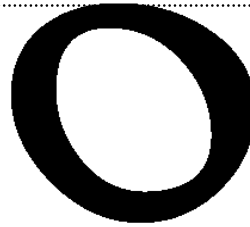
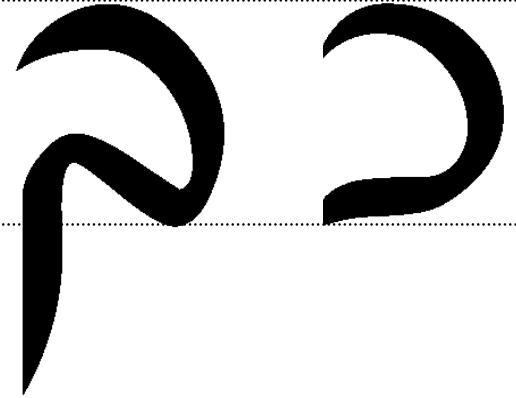
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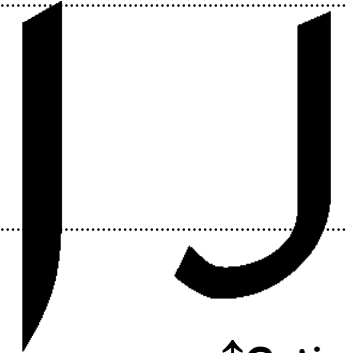
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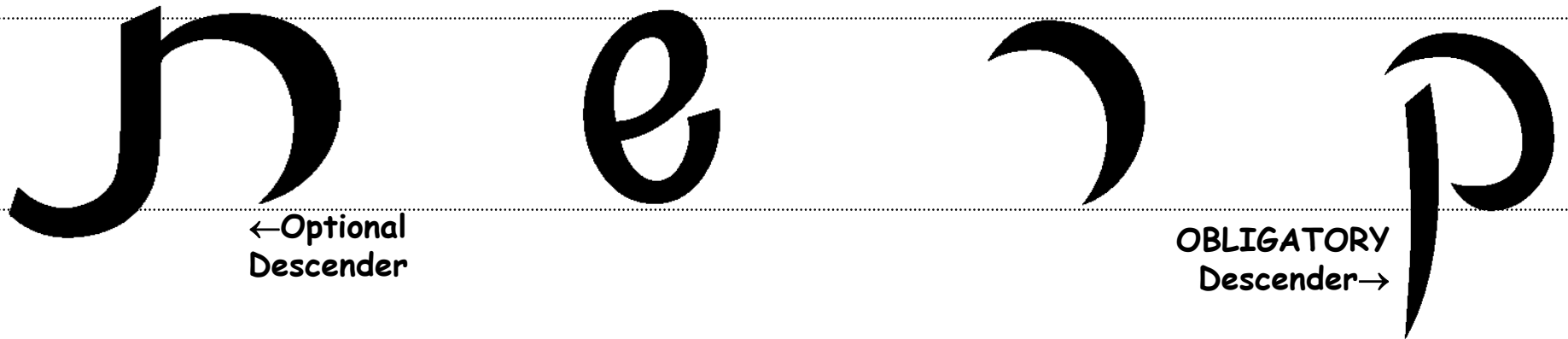


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# Ascenders & Descenders in Cursive: *Pey* through *Tav*



NOTE: All marked Ascenders are obligatory.

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