

Basic History:

- Multiple historical attempts to "find" Hebrew:
 - Greek Historian, Herodotus [6 B.C.E.]
 - Mongol Emperor, Akbar Khan [1500's]
 - German Emperor, Frederick the Second [1200's]
 - King James IV of Scotland [1400's]
- Holidays, languages, and religions were without a source.
- Modern Indo-European Languages:
 - Latin/Greek: Slavic, Baltic, German
 - East Semetic/Northwest Semetic
 - Middle Semetic: Moabitic, Phoenician, Hebrew, Ugaritic
 - South Semetic: Arabic, Ethiopian
- Linguists compared English [Middle/Modern] to Hebrew timelines.
- - "Uniformities": location, stage, grammar, content
- Various indicators in Hebrew stages:
 - 1) Remarkable variation in common words, such as "Shalom."
 - 2) Word Order
 - 3) Unaccented syllables disappearance in Canaan invasion
 - 4) Letter rendering, such as "J" letter,
 - 5) Possessive suffixes

Evidence

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- Ugaritic Poems [1500 BCE]
 - Found in 1928 in a village near Cyprus
 - Similar stereotypes as Chaucer's, "Canterbury Tales," with perspectives, religions, lifestyle, and language.
- "Mesha" Stone, The Moabitic Stone [9 BCE]
 - Stone about Kings, gods, and Jordan
- Siloam Inscription [701 BCE]
 - Water pool engineering: wells, tunnels, and prep.
- Lachish Letters [597 BCE]
 - A commander's message about regional politics
 - Carbon ink on parchment
- Gezer Calendar [10 BCE]
 - About seasons' relationship to field sowing.

The Stages of Language Development:

- ① Pictographic or ideographic stage - Hieroglyphs / Pictograms
- ② Word-writing or logographic stage - Numerals
- ③ Phonographic or syllabic stage - Successive pictures
- ④ Uniconsonantal stage - condensed characters
- ⑤ Alphabet stage - Basic characters

Origins "Hebrew"

- 4000 BCE : Egyptians and Sumerians
- 2100-1700 BCE : North of Beirut in Ugaritic Poems
- 2000 BCE : Sinai Mines and Egyptian Control
- 430 BCE : Torah
- 400 AD : Greeks accepted commercial contracts from West Semites
- 800 AD : Business Documents
- 900-1000 AD : Talmud
- Other factors in research :
 - Cursive styles
 - Letter meanings : frequency, representation
 - Pronunciation : by region