- א often used to form second roots of verbs ש"ש, e. g. מעש, משט, משט.
 - א frequ. prosthetic, e. g. אָרדל, אגודל, v. ־אָג, v. אָר, v. אָר
- א sometimes inserted to replace a radical, as אבא באגא esp. in verbs מְלָּהָ fr. הְּלָּהְ fr. הַלְּהָּרָ fr. מְלָּהָ fr. מָלֶּהָ fr. מַלָּהָ
- א frequ. (in Talm. Y.) dropped in the beginning of words, e. g. אַבָּאבּאָב; אַבָּא
- እ affixed to the end of Chald, nouns, corresponding to prefixed ⊓ in Hebrew (status emphaticus), e. g. ১৯৯ = ১৯়া.
- as numeral letter, one, as אות אות אות one letter. Sabb.104 a; a.fr. [Editions and Mss. vary, according to space, between the full numeral and the numeral letter, 'א for שנים לי, שנים for שנים, שנים שנים &c.]
- אל, אין, אין, אין, אין גער. a prefix, 1) for the formation of nouns in Kal, Peel, Afel (Hifil) &c., e. g. אַבְּשְּׁכְּא, אָרָאָ אָרָלְי, אִרְלָּי, אַרָּלְי, אַרָּלְי, אַרָּלְי, אַרָּלְי, אַרָּלְי, אַרָּלְי, אַרָּלָי, אַבָּאר, אַנְאָר, אַרָּהּא אַרָּהָא, אַנְאַרָּאָן; דּרְבָּאר, בּיִר אַבּרוּ בּירוּ &c., esp. before foreign words beginning with two consonants, e. g. מְּעַרְעֵּרְגוֹּלֵי &c.
- a prefix (followed by Dagesh Forté)=אָבֶי upon, over, e. g. אָבֶרָא = אַבְּרָא; even before gutturals, e. g. אאבנא

plur. of his q. v.

a fictitious word made up of each third letter in יסיפיל, a fictitious word made up of each third letter in יסיפיל מולי (Dan. V, 25). Snh. 22a; Cant. R. to III, 4 יסיפיל the inscription on the wall was so arranged as to form words composed of its every first, every second and every third letter respectively.

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באל. באל a prefix of words of Greek origin answering to αὐ-, au-, e. g. סוטיטטא=αὐτόματος; or to εὐ, e. g. באבגרטט=εὐγενής.

באב I (Assyr. A-bu, Schr. K. A. T., p. 247) Ab, the fifth month of the Jewish calendar (of thirty days) beginning between the eighth of July and the seventh of August, and ending between the sixth of August and the fifth of September. R. Hash. I, 3, יב' אב וב' ל אב וב' ל

בא II m. (b. h.; אבה, cmp. אבה), const. אָבֶר [embracer], father, ancestor, progenitor; teacher; chief, leader; author, originator. Ex. R. s. 46 end המגדל אב the educator is the real father. Lev. R. s. 1 אבר החכמה וכ׳, the father of all wisdom, . . the father of prophets. Y. Ned. V, 39 b; a. fr. ברת דרן (abbr. מב"ב) president of the Court (Great Sanhedrin), next in dignity to the Nassi. Taan. II, 1; a. fr.-Metaph. origin, cause. Num. R. s. 10 (play on אָבוֹיר, Prov. XXIII, 29) אור 'the cause of woe (sin).—אב מלאכה (for which also דיקר) one of the chief labors forbidden on the Sabbath, opp. a labor the prohibition of which is based on the ground of its being a species of the former, or derived from the former. Sabb. VII, 1 sq.; a. fr. - [Y. Sabb. II, 5a, אב שלה one of the original or direct causes of levitical uncleanness, opp. ולד (child) secondary cause. Toh. I, 5; a. fr.—הנוק 'א v. Pl.—'אבירן מי creation of a class, i. e. a conclusion, by analogy, from a case explicitly stated in the bibl. law on all similar cases not specified in detail. Sifra introd.— Ib. K'doshim, end, ch. 11 (ref. to Lev. XX, 27) או בי א' ב' א' this forms the rule for all cases in which the Bible uses the word d'mehem bam (that the penalty is stoning to death); a. fr.; v. also בֿרָת אַב.-Pl. אבות-, const. אבות, 1) fathers, ancestors, patriarchs &c. Ber. 26b prayers א' הקנים have been instituted by the Patriarchs; a. fr. אבורו בחר דינין, v. supra. Hag. II, 2. -'× n∃ a woman of noble descent. Num. R. s. 1; a. e. -Metaph. principal, chief א' מלאכות, v. supra. א' הטומא' Kel. I, 1; v. supra. א' מורקרן (sing. אב הנוק) the chief actionable injuries or damages, from which the subordinate are deduced (תולדות). B. Kam. I, 1; a. e.— 2) Aboth, the first section of the Prayer of Benedictions (v. ਸ਼ਰੂਸ਼), so called because it alludes to the Patriarchs.