Summary of Verbs (with X-yiqtol)

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The Four Component Hebrew Verb System

The wayyiqtol, yiqtol, weqatal, and qatal verb forms can be paired in 3 different ways to create a simple overview of the Hebrew Verbal system as we have learned it so far.

• Here are the 4 forms. (Note that the X-forms are combined with the non-X forms.)
• Let us look at each of the 3 pairings in turn.

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Shared Discourse Functions

Off-the-line
- No waw
-Usu. not clause-initial

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Perfective

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