

FAQs – Chapter 24

How will I know the difference between the Qal Cohortative 1cp and the Niphal Perfect 3fs?

Since both forms are identical (נִקְטְלָהּ), there is no way to tell them apart when they are isolated. Thus, when parsing this form in isolation both parsings should be offered. However, when used in context this form will have only one use. Therefore, it will have only one parsing.

Whether the form is the Qal Cohortative 1cp or the Niphal Perfect 3fs should be clear from the context. If the subject is plural, נִקְטְלָהּ would be a Qal Cohortative 1cp. If the subject is singular, it would be the Niphal Perfect 3fs.