

Types of Hebrew Script

Block Letters

א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל מ
נ ס ע פ צ ק ר ש ת

These are the most common form of printed Hebrew, based on the shapes of the letters of Ashuri Script (see below).

Ashuri Script

א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל מ
נ ס ע פ צ ק ר ש ת

Ashuri Script is the ancient script in which the first Torah was written (according to majority of opinions) and is used for writing Torah scrolls today.

Rashi Script

ח ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל מ
נ ס ע פ צ ק ר ש ת

Rashi script used to be a common form of cursive Hebrew script. In contemporary times, it is used as the font for certain Rabbinic commentaries. It got its name because it was first introduced by printers for Rashi's commentary on the Torah.

Hebrew Cursive

א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל מ
נ ס ע פ צ ק ר ש ת

Hebrew cursive is the most commonly used script for writing by hand, due to the ease with which it is written. It is similar to the role that English cursive used to fill, except that the letters are detached from each other.