

Introduction to Gematria

Gematria is the assignation of numerical values to words and letters. Both Hebrew and Greek are gematria-friendly languages, they did not have separate symbols for numerals.

An example of how this then works: the Greek 'Abraxas', a name for the sun-god, when given its numerical value $1 + 2 + 100 + 1 + 60 + 1 + 200 = 365$, the number of days in the solar year.

Thus Initiates when coining terms for deities/energies/principles can communicate to fellow-Initiates through the centuries beyond/in spite of linguistic differences. Similar numerical values from dissimilar names point 'hidden' linkage of qualities or attributes.

A further example to illustrate this point. The name of the Archangel Metatron in Hebrew מטטרון yields numerically $40 + 9 + 9 + 200 + 6 + 50 = 314$, the same number as ShaDI שדי meaning 'supreme' 'ultimate': $300 + 10 + 4 = 314$.

As the table below of the comparative letters, their names, phonetic values, and numerical values of the Greek and Hebrew alphabets shows, Greek, assuming it to be a later development, is quite clearly and inescapably derived from Hebrew, a fact that most accepted notions of linguistic development tries to overlook, presumably for racist reasons. While the orthodox Western religions speak of 'the Judaeo-Christian tradition', they don't really like that relationship and would prefer to overlook it. It is generally accepted though that Latin is derived from Greek, and 'our' English alphabet is in fact the Latin alphabet, thus the lineage is made unacceptably clear. The very word 'alphabet' of course derives from the first two letters in Greek, Alpha and Beta, and their names are mere derivatives of the first two Hebrew letters, Aleph and Beth.

The table including 'Finals' in Hebrew, which can yield greater numerical values, should make it possible for anyone who has sufficient interest (the only qualifying factor needed to make a modern Initiate) to make their own discoveries and conclusions, while my own significant parallels, as well as those of others I find the most significant, are supplied in the accompanying essay.

Enjoy!
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א Aleph 1 A α Alpha

ב Beth 2 B β Beta

ג Gimel 3 Γ γ Gamma

ד Daleth 4 Δ δ Delta

ה He 5 E ε Epsilon

ו Vau 6 F v Digamma*

ז Zain 7 Z ζ Zita

ח Chet 8 H η Eta

ט Teth 9 Θ θ Theta

י Yod 10 Ι ι Iota

כ Kaph 20 Κ κ Kappa

ך Kaph**500

ל Lamed 30 Λ λ Lamda

מ Mem 40 Μ μ Mu

ם Mem**600

נ Nun 50 Ν ν Nu

נ Nun** 700

ס Samech60 Ξ ξ Xi

ע Oin 70 O o Omicron

פ Pe 80 Π π Pi

ף Pe** 800

צ Tzadde90 no equivalent

ץ Tzadde**900

ק Qoph 100

		100	P ρ Rho
ר	Resh	200	
		200	Σ σ Sigma
שׁ	Shin	300	
		300	T τ Tau
ת	Tau	400	
		400	Υ υ Upsilon
		500	Φ φ Phi
		600	Χ χ Chi
		700	Ψ ψ Psi
		800	Ω ω Omega

* Digamma fell out of use.

**as Finals these have a greater Numerical value.