

# How to Transliterate the Hebrew Words for “God” and the “Sacred Name”

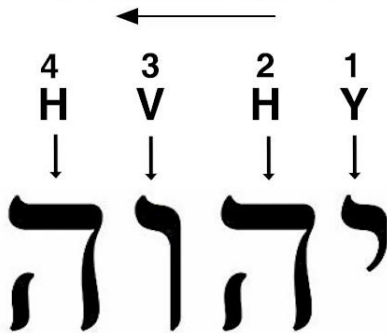
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2. The numbers will guide you from letter to letter.
3. The transliteration of the word is *elohiym*.
4. The translations of this word are god, gods, goddess and goddesses.
5. This is the word that appears in Genesis 1:1 – *When god began creating the Heaven and Earth.*

**\*ELOHIYM**  
**EL-OH-HEEM**

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**YHVH**  
**YAH-WEH**

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2. The numbers will guide you from letter to letter.
3. There are no vowels in this name.
4. We use the euphemism “*Yahweh*” for this word in our translations in order to preserve the fact that the sacred name of the Jewish god appears in the text.
5. This name first appears in Genesis 2:4b – “*In the day that Yahweh the god created the Earth and the Heaven.*”