

Many customs surround the readings from *Tanach*. The Torah is divided into fifty-four weekly portions called פְּרָשִׁיּוֹת (*parashiyot*) or סִדְרוֹת (*sidrot*). The title of each פְּרָשָׁה (*parashah*, singular) is usually, but not always, based upon its first important word. The third פְּרָשָׁה in the Book of Genesis, for example, is called *Lech L'cha*. The final פְּרָשָׁה in Deuteronomy is called *V'zot Hab'rachah*. Each *parashah* has a corresponding haftarah. The haftarah is called by the same name as the *parashah*.

The following is a list of the names of all the פְּרָשִׁיּוֹת, the chapters and verses contained within each פְּרָשָׁה, and the corresponding haftarah portion.

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion⁷
Genesis		
<i>B'reshit</i>	1:1–6:8	Isaiah 42:5–43:10
<i>Noach</i>	6:9–11:32	Isaiah 54:1–55:5
<i>Lech L'cha</i>	12:1–17:27	Isaiah 40:27–41:16
<i>Vayeira</i>	18:1–22:24	2 Kings 4:1–37
<i>Chayei</i>	<i>Sarah</i> 23:1–25:18	1 Kings 1:1–31
<i>To'l'dot</i>	25:19–28:9	Malachi 1:1–2:7
<i>Vayetze</i>	28:10–32:3	Hosea 12:13–14:10
<i>Vayishlach</i>	32:4–36:43	Hosea 1:7–12:12 or Obadiah 1:1–21 ⁸
<i>Vayeshev</i>	37:1–40:23	Amos 2:6–3:8
<i>Miketz</i>	41:1–44:17	1 Kings 3:15–4:1
<i>Vayigash</i>	44:18–47:27	Ezekiel 37:15–28
<i>Vay'chi</i>	47:28–50:26	1 Kings 2:1–12
Exodus		
<i>Sh'mot</i>	1:1–6:1	Isaiah 27:6–28:13; 29:22–23
<i>Va-eira</i>	6:2–9:35	Ezekiel 28:25–29:21
<i>Bo</i>	10:1–13:16	Jeremiah 46:13–38
<i>B'shalach</i>	13:17–17:16	Judges 4:4–5:31
<i>Yitro</i>	18:1–20:26	Isaiah 6:1–7:6, 9:5–6

⁷ Sephardic readings frequently include different verses than those found on this list; for a full listing of all differences, please see *The Haftarah Commentary* by W. Gunther Plaut and Chaim Stern, pp. xi–xvi.

⁸ Sephardim and some Ashkenazim read Obadiah.

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion
<i>Mishpatim</i>	21:1–24:18	Jeremiah 34:8–22; 33:25–26
<i>T'rumah</i>	25:1–27:19	1 Kings 5:26–6:13
<i>T'tzaveh</i>	27:20–30:10	Ezekiel 43:10–27
<i>Ki Tisa</i>	30:11–34:35	1 Kings 18:1–39
<i>Vayakhel</i>	35:1–38:20	1 Kings 7:40–50
<i>P'kudei</i>	38:21–40:38	1 Kings 7:51–8:21

Leviticus

<i>Vayikra</i>	1:1–5:26	Isaiah 43:21–44:23
<i>Tzav</i>	6:1–8:36	Jeremiah 7:21–8:3; 9:22–23
<i>Sh'mini</i>	9:1–11:47	2 Samuel 6:1–7:17
<i>Tazri-a</i>	12:1–13:59	2 Kings 4:42–5:19
<i>M'tzora</i>	14:1–15:33	2 Kings 7:3–20
<i>Acharei Mot</i>	16:1–18:30	Ezekiel 22:1–19
<i>K'doshim</i>	19:1–20:27	Amos 9:7–15
<i>Emor</i>	21:1–24:23	Ezekiel 44:15–31
<i>B'har Sinai</i>	25:1–26:2	Jeremiah 32:6–27
<i>B'chukotai</i>	26:3–27:34	Jeremiah 16:19–17:14

Numbers

<i>B'midbar</i>	1:1–4:20	Hosea 2:1–22
<i>Naso</i>	4:21–7:89	Judges 13:2–25
<i>B'ha-alot'cha</i>	8:1–12:16	Zechariah 2:14–4:7
<i>Sh'lach-L'cha</i>	13:1–15:41	Joshua 2:1–24
<i>Korach</i>	16:1–18:32	1 Samuel 11:14–12:22
<i>Chukat</i>	19:1–22:1	Judges 11:1–33
<i>Balak</i>	22:2–25:9	Micah 5:6–6:8
<i>Pinchas</i>	25:10–30:1	1 Kings 18:46–19:21
<i>Matot</i>	30:2–32:42	Jeremiah 1:1–2:3
<i>Mas'ei</i>	33:1–36:13	Jeremiah 2:4–28; 3:4

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion
Deuteronomy		
<i>D'varim</i>	1:1–3:22	Isaiah 1:1–27
<i>Va-etchanan</i>	3:23–7:11	Isaiah 40:1–26
<i>Ekev</i>	7:12–11:25	Isaiah 49:14–51:3
<i>R'eh</i>	11:26–16:17	Isaiah 54:11–55:5
<i>Shof'tim</i>	16:18–21:9	Isaiah 51:12–52:12
<i>Ki Tetzei</i>	21:10–25:19	Isaiah 54:1–10
<i>Ki Tavo</i>	26:1–29:8	Isaiah 60:1–22
<i>Nitzavim</i>	29:9–31:30	Isaiah 61:10–63:9
<i>Vayelech</i>	31:1–30	Isaiah 55:6–56:8
<i>Ha-azinu</i>	32:1–52	2 Samuel 22:1–51
<i>V'zot Hab'rachah</i>	33:1–34:12	Joshua 1:1–18

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion
Special Shabbatot		
<i>Sh'kalim</i>	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> + Exodus 30:11–16	2 Kings 12:1–17
<i>Zachor</i> (Shabbat before Purim)	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> + Deuteronomy 25:17–19	1 Samuel 15:2–34
<i>Parah</i>	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> + Numbers 19:1–22	Ezekiel 36:16–38
<i>Hachodesh</i>	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> + Exodus 12:1–20	Ezekiel 45:16–46:18
<i>Hagadol</i> (Shabbat before Pesach)	Weekly <i>Parashah</i>	Malachi 3:4–24
<i>Shabbat Chazon</i> (Shabbat before Tishah B'Av)	Weekly <i>Parashah</i>	Isaiah 1:1–27 ⁹
<i>Rosh Chodesh</i> (coinciding with Shabbat)	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> + Numbers 28:9–15	Isaiah 66:1–24
<i>Machar Chodesh</i> (day before Rosh Chodesh)	Weekly <i>Parashah</i>	1 Samuel 20:18–42

⁹ The first and last verses are read with the usual haftarah tropes and the intervening ones with Lamentations trope. See Appendix G.

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion
High Holidays		
First Day Rosh Hashanah	(Traditional) Genesis 21:1–34 + Numbers 29:1–6 (Reform) Genesis 22:1–24	1 Samuel 1:1–2:10 ¹⁰
Second Day Rosh Hashanah	(Traditional) Genesis 22:1–24 + Numbers 29:1–6 (Reform) Genesis 1:1–2:3	Jeremiah 31:1–19
<i>Shabbat Shuvah</i>	<i>Weekly Parashah</i>	Hosea 14:2–10 + either Micah 7:18–20 <i>or</i> Joel 2:15–17 ¹¹
Yom Kippur Morning	(Traditional) Leviticus 16:1–34 + Numbers 29:7–11 (Reform) Deuteronomy 29:9–14; 30:11–20	(Traditional) Isaiah 57:14–58:14 (Reform) Isaiah 58:1–14 only
Yom Kippur Afternoon	(Traditional) Leviticus 18:1–30 (Reform) Leviticus 19:1–4; 9–18; 32–37	(Traditional) Book of Jonah + Micah 7:18–20 (Reform) Book of Jonah
Festivals: Sukkot, Pesach, Shavuot		
Sukkot First Day	Leviticus 22:26–23:24 (Traditional: + Numbers 29:12–16)	Zechariah 14:1–21
Sukkot Second Day	Same as above	1 Kings 8:2–21
Shabbat during Sukkot	Exodus 33:12–34:26 (Traditional: + Daily portion from Numbers.)	Ezekiel 38:18–39:16

¹⁰ The Reform *machzor, Gates of Repentance*, offers a section from Nehemiah 8 as an alternative haftarah.

¹¹ When the weekly *sidra* is *Ha-azinu*, the corresponding haftarah is from Joel. When it is *Vayelech*, the haftarah is from Micah. Sephardim generally read Micah regardless of the *sidra*.

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion
Eighth Day (Sh'mini Atzeret) ¹²	Deuteronomy 14:22–16:17 (Traditional: + Numbers 29:35–30:1)	1 Kings 8:54–66
Simchat Torah	Deuteronomy 33:1 to the end of Torah + Genesis 1:1–2:3 (Traditional: + Numbers 29:35–30:1)	Joshua 1:1–18
Pesach First Day	Exodus 12:21–51 (Traditional: + Numbers 28:16–25)	Joshua 3:5–7; 5:2–6:1, 27
Pesach Second Day	Leviticus 22:26–23:44 (Traditional: + Numbers 28:16–25)	2 Kings 23:1–9; 21–25
Shabbat during Pesach	Exodus 33:12–34:26	Ezekiel 36:37–37:14
Pesach Seventh Day	Exodus 13:17–15:26 (Traditional: + Numbers 28:19–25)	2 Samuel 22:1–51
Pesach Eighth Day	Deuteronomy 15:19–16:17 (Traditional: + Numbers 28:19–25)	Isaiah 10:32–12:6
Shavuot First Day	Exodus 19:1–20:23 (Traditional: + Numbers 28:26–31)	Ezekiel 1:1–28; 3:1
Shavuot Second Day	Deuteronomy 15:19–16:17 ¹³ (Traditional: + Numbers 28:26–31)	Habakkuk 3:1–19

Other Days

Tishah B'Av Morning	Deuteronomy 4:25–40	Jeremiah 8:13–9:23
Tishah B'Av Afternoon	Exodus 32:11–14; 34:1–10	Isaiah 55:6–56:8 ¹⁴
Public Fasts	All readings as on the afternoon of Tishah B'Av	All readings as on the afternoon of Tishah B'Av ¹⁵

¹² Most Reform congregations follow the Israeli calendar and celebrate Sh'mini Atzeret and Simchat Torah together. They usually read the Simchat Torah selections.

¹³ If it falls on Shabbat: Deuteronomy 14:22–16:17.

¹⁴ This is also the haftarah for *Vayelech*; Sephardim read from Hosea and Micah as on *Shabbat Shuvah*.

¹⁵ Sephardim read no haftarah.

Parashlyot and Haftarot—Torah and Haftarah Portions

	Torah Portion	Haftarah Portion
Shabbat during Chanukah	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> (Traditional: + Numbers 7:1–11)	Zechariah 2:14–4:7
Second Shabbat Chanukah	Weekly <i>Parashah</i> (Traditional: Numbers 7:1–11)	1 Kings 7:40–50
Purim	Exodus 17:8–16	No haftarah
Yom HaShoah	Deuteronomy 4:30–40	Jeremiah 8:19–23
Yom Ha-Atzma-ut	Deuteronomy 11:8–21	Isaiah 10:32–12:6