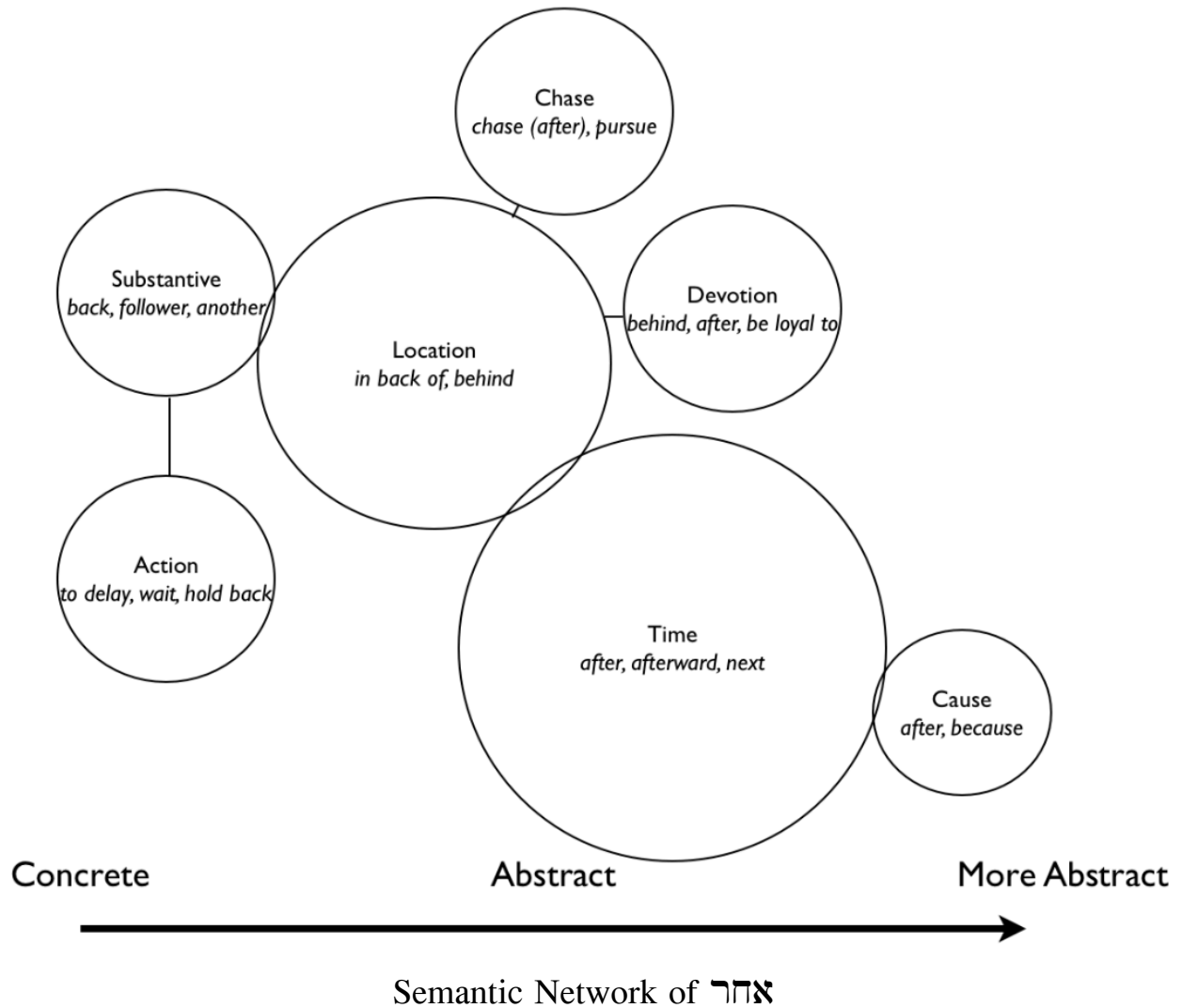
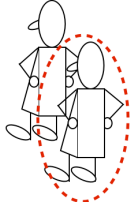


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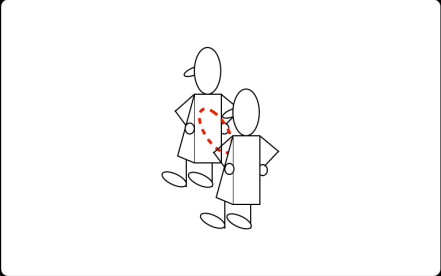
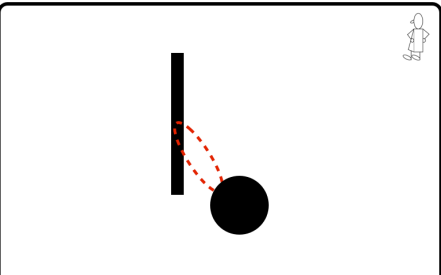
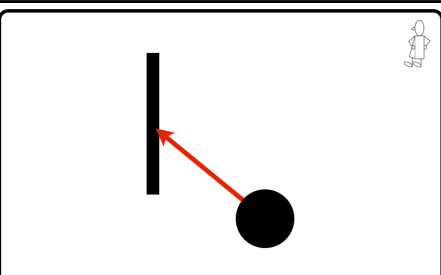
### But What Does It Mean?: Cognitive linguistic lexicography and אַחֵר

For a similar approach with the preposition תַּחַת, see <http://scholar.sun.ac.za/handle/10019.1/6641>



| <b>Substantive</b><br><i>back, back of, later/last one, follower, another</i>       |                                                                                                                            |
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|    | <p>סָב אֶל-אַחֲרַי</p> <p>go around to my back</p>                                                                         |
|    | <p>וַיִּכְהוּ אֲבִנֵר בְּאַחֲרֵי הַחֲנִית אֶל-הַחֹמֶשׁ</p> <p>He stabbed Abner with the back of his spear in the belly</p> |
|  | <p>וְאַחֲרָיו נָבִי סָלָי</p> <p>and his followers (lit. "those behind him") were Gabbai and Sallai</p>                    |
|  | <p>כִּי אֵין אַחֲרָת</p> <p>For there is no other</p>                                                                      |
| <p>אַחֲר - 2Kgs 9:18, 19; Dan 7:24 (Arm);</p>                                       |                                                                                                                            |

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| <p><b>אַחֶר</b> - Gen 4:25; 8:10, 12; 17:21; 26:21, 22; 29:19, 27, 30; 30:24; 35:12; 37:9; 41:3, 19; 43:14, 22; Ex 20:3; 21:10; 22:4; 23:13; 34:14; Lev 6:4; 14:42; 27:20; Num 23:13, 27, 36:9; Deut 5:7; 6:14b; 7:4b; 8:19b; 11:16; 11:28b; 13:3b, 7, 14; 17:3; 18:20; 20:5-7; 24:2; 28:14b, 30, 32, 36, 64; 29:25, 27; 30:17; 31:18, 20; Josh 23:16; 24:2, 16; Jdg 2:10, 12b, 17b, 19b, 10:13; 11:2; 1Sam 8:8; 10:6, 9; 17:30; 19:21; 21:10b; 26:19; 28:8; 2Sam 18:20, 26; 1Kgs 3:22; 7:8; 9:6, 9; 11:4b, 10b; 13:10; 14:9; 20:37; 2Kgs 1:11; 5:17; 6:29; 7:8; 17:7, 35, 37, 38; 22:17; Isa 28:11; 42:8; 48:11; 65:15, 22; Jer 1:16; 3:1; 6:12; 7:6b, 9b, 18; 8:10; 11:10b; 13:10b; 16:11b, 13b; 18:4; 19:4, 13; 22:9, 26; 25:6b; 32:29; 35:15b; 36:28, 32; 44:3, 5, 8, 15; Ezk 12:3; 40:40; 41:24; 42:14; 44:19; Hos 3:1; Joel 1:3; Zech 2:7; Psa 16:4; 49:11; 105:13; 109:8, 13; Job 8:19; 31:8, 10; 34:24; Prov 5:9; 25:9; Ruth 2:8, 22; Est 4:14; Dan 11:4; 12:5; Ezra 1:10; 2:31; Neh 5:5; 7:33, 34; 1Chr 2:26; 7:12 (name); 16:20; 23:17; 2Chr 3:11, 12; 7:19, 22; 28:25; 30:23; 32:5; 34:25</p> |
| <p><b>מֵאַחֶר</b> - 2Sam 13:16</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <p><b>אַחֲרָי</b> - Ex 14:28; 2Sam 2:23; 5:23; Ezk 41:15; Psa 49:14 (crs Time); Neh 11:8</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p><b>מֵאַחֲרָי</b> - 2Sam 2:23b; 11:15; 1Kgs 10:19</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p><b>אַחֶר</b> (Ptcp) - Isa 5:11; Psa 127:2; Prov 23:30</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

| <p><b>Location/Location<sup>+</sup></b> (+ indicates movement)<br/><i>in back of, behind</i></p>                                            |                                                                                                                               |
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|                                                           | <p>וַיִּהְיֶה גַם־הוּא אַחֲרֵינוּ<br/>Look, indeed he is behind us</p>                                                        |
|                                                          | <p>וַיֵּצֵא אֲלֵהֶם לוֹט הַפֶּתַח וַיִּתְּדֵלֶת סָגַר אַחֲרָיו<br/>Lot went out the entrance and shut the door behind him</p> |
|                                                          | <p>וַיִּתְּלֻכְנָה אַחֲרָי הָאִישׁ<br/>They followed behind the man</p>                                                       |
| <p><b>אַחֶר</b> - Gen 22:13; 37:17<sup>+</sup>; Ex 3:1; 11:5; Jdg 3:22<sup>+</sup>; 2Kgs 11:6; Isa 57:8; Ruth 2:2<sup>+</sup>; Sng 2:9;</p> |                                                                                                                               |

**בְּאַחֶרֶת - Psalms 78:71**

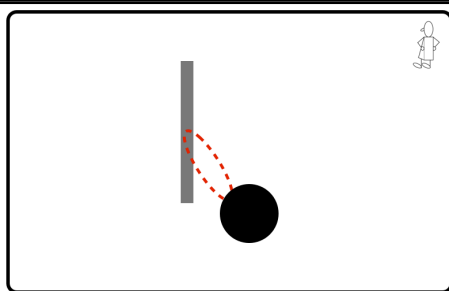
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**בְּאַחֶרֶת** - Gen 19:26<sup>+</sup>, Ex 14:19<sup>+</sup>, b ; 1Sam 6:7; Isa 30:21; Amos 7:15; Neh 4:7; 1Chr 13:13<sup>+</sup>; b; 18:32<sup>+</sup>;

**בְּאַחֶרֶת** - 1Chr 17:7

### Time

*after, afterward, later, next*



וַיְהִינּוּ יְמֵי-אָדָם אַחֲרֵי הוֹלִידוֹ אֶת-שֵׁת שְׁמוֹנֶה מֵאוֹת שָׁנָה

The days of Adam after he fathered Seth were 800 years.

**אַחֶר** - Gen 9:28; 10:1, 18; 11:10; 15:1; 18:5; 22:1; 24:55; 30:21; 33:7; 38:30; 39:7; 40:1; Ex 5:1; 10:14; 18:12; Lev 14:8; 14:19, 36; 14:43a; 15:28; 22:7; 25:15; 27:18; Num 5:26; 6:19, 20; 12:14, 16; 19:7; 31:2, 24; 32:22; Josh 2:16; 24:5; Jdg 1:9; 7:11; 15:7; 19:5; 1Kgs 13:33; 17:17; 19:11, 12; 21:1; Jer 40:1, 16; Ezk 20:39; 40:1; Hos 3:5; Amos 7:1; Psalms 73:24; Job 18:2; 19:26; 21:3; 42:7; Prov 20:17, 25; 24:27; Qoh 12:2; Est 2:1; 3:1; Ezra 7:1; Neh 5:15; 13:19; 1Chr 2:21, 24; 2Chr 32:9; 35:14

**אַחֲרָי** - Gen 5:4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 26, 30; 9:9; 11:11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25; 13:14; 14:17; 17:7-10, 19; 19:19; 22:20; 24:36; 24:67; 25:11; 26:18; 41:3b, 6, 19b, 23, 27, 30; 41:39 (crs Cause); 46:30 (crs Cause); 48:1, 4, 6; 50:14; Ex 7:25; 28:43; 29:29; Lev 13:7, 35, 55, 56; 14:43b, c, 48; 16:1; 25:46, 48; 26:33; Num 7:88; 25:13, 19; 30:16; 35:28 Deut 1:4, 8; 4:37, 40; 10:15; 12:25, 28, 30b; 21:13; 24:4, 20, 21; 31:27, 29 Josh 1:1; 7:8; 9:16; 10:14; 22:27; 23:1; 24:20, 29, 31; Jdg 1:1; 2:7, 10b; 3:31; 10:1, 3; 12:8, 11, 13; 1Sam 1:9, b; 5:9; 24:22; 2Sam 1:1, 10; 5:13; 7:12; 17:21; 19:31; 21:1; 23:9, 11; 1Kgs 1:6, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, 30; 3:12; 9:21; 13:23, 31; 15:4; 20:15; 2Kgs 1:1, 14:17, 22; 18:5; 23:25; Isa 43:10; Jer 3:7; 13:27; 24:1; 25:26; 28:12; 29:2; 31:19, b, 33; 32:16, 18, 39; 34:8; 36:27; 51:46; Ezk 16:23; 44:26; 46:12; Joel 2:2 Zech 7:14 (crs Cause); Psalms 49:14 (crs Subst); Job 21:21; 29:22; 37:4; 42:16; Prov 20:7; Ruth 2:11; 4:4; Qoh 2:12, 18; 3:22; 6:12; 7:14; 9:3; Dan 2:29, 45; 7:24b; 8:1; 9:26; Ezra 9:10, 13; Neh 3:16-18, 20-25, 27, 29-31; 1Chr 11:12; 17:11; 27:7, 34; 28:8; 2Chr 1:12; 2:16; 8:8; 11:20; 21:18; 22:4; 24:17; 25:14, 25; 26:2; 32:1; 35:20

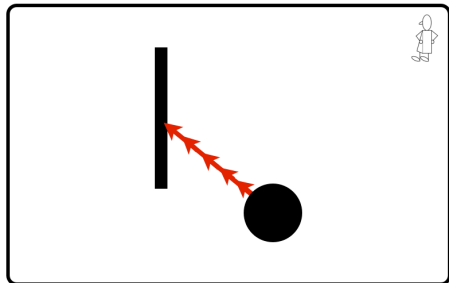
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**כֵּן מֵאַחֲרֵי כֵּן** - **2Sam** 15:1; **2Chr** 32:23

### Chase

*chase, chase after, pursue*



**קוּם רֵדֵף אַחֲרֵי הָאֲנָשִׁים**

Stand up! Chase after them!

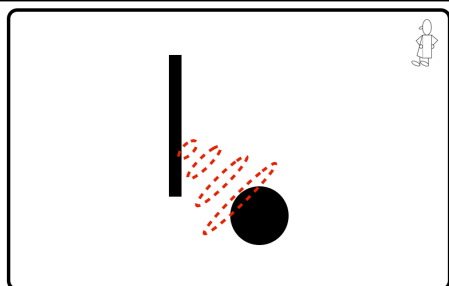
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**מֵאַחֲרֵי** - **1Sam** 14:46; 24:2; **2Sam** 2:19b, 21, 22, 26, 27, 30; **1Kgs** 22:33;

### Devotion

*behind, follow after, worship, be loyal to*



**מָלָא אַחֲרֵי יְהוָה**

he has remained true to Yahweh

**אַחֲרָה** - **1Sam** 11:7b; 12:14; **2Kgs** 13:12; 23:3; **Isa** 65:2; 66:17; **Ezk** 13:3; **Job** 31:7; 39:8

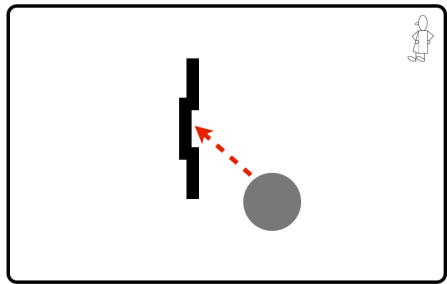
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**בְּאַחֲרָיִם** - Num 14:43; 32:15; Deut 7:4; 23:15; Josh 22:16, 18, 23, 29; 1Sam 12:20; 15:11; 2Sam 20:2; 2Kgs 17:21; 18:6; Jer 3:19; 32:40; 35:15; Ezk 14:7, 11; Hos 1:2; Zeph 1:6; Job 34:27; Ruth 1:16; 2Chr 25:27

### Cause

*after, then, because, for*



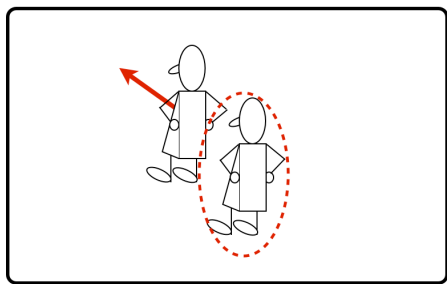
אַל־תַּרְעוּ נָא אַחֲרֵי אֲשֶׁר־בָּא הָאִישׁ הַזֶּה אֶל־בֵּיתִי

Don't do this evil for this man has come to my house

**אַחֲרֵי** - Gen 41:39 (crs Time); 46:30 (crs Time); Jdg 11:36; 19:23; 2Sam 19:31 (crs Time);

### Action

*to delay, to wait, to remain, to withhold/ hold back*



עַם־לָבָן נִרְתִּי וְאַחֲרַי עַד־עַתָּה

I have stayed with Laban and remained until now

**אַחֲרַי** - Gen 24:56; 32:5; 34:19; Ex 22:28; Deut 7:10; 23:22; Jdg 5:28; 2Sam 20:5; Isa 46:13; Hbk 2:3; Psa 40:18; 70:6; Qoh 5:3; Dan 9:19