

Classified List of Hittite Medio-Passive Verbs

Hittite Medio-Passives in *-a(ri)*

1. Transitive Change-of-State (“transformative”)

ark- ‘mount (sexually), climb’ (also *arkatta*; NH → *ārki*)

hatta- ‘prick, slit; sacrifice (by throat slitting)’ (NH → *hattai*)

huett(i)- ‘pull, pluck’ (NH → *huettiyazi*, *huettiyai*)

iškalla- ‘tear, slit’ (NH → *iškallai*, *iškallaizzi*)

karš- ‘cut’ (beside already OH *kar(a)šzi*, *karšiyezzi*, so prob. nonce form) (NB contrast with *kar(a)štari* ‘fail’)

pars(i)- ‘break in two’ (NH → *paršiyazzi*)

^{NA⁴}*perulūwa-* ‘free of stones’

tuhš- ‘cut off’ (NH → *tuhhušzi*)

2. Transitive Activities

hann(a)- ‘contest at law, sue’ (only 2arily ‘judge’) (NH → *hannai*)

pahš- ‘protect, maintain’ (NH → *pahhašhi*, *pahhašmi*)

3. Intransitive Change-of-State

ā- ‘become warm/hot’ (thus contra Neu 1968: 1 et al.; **not** stative!)

u(wa)- ‘become visible, appear’

eš- ‘sit down’ (thus in OH; in NH means ‘sit, be sitting’, and *-za + eš-* means ‘sit down’)

hāliya- ‘bow’ (intr.) (NH → *hāliyazi*)

išdu(wa)- ‘become known/manifest’

kiš- ‘happen, become’

kišt- ‘be extinguished’

lag- ‘stagger, fall over’

mi(ya)- ‘mature’

nē(y)a- ‘turn’ (intr.)

šah- ‘become clogged’

ši(ya)- ‘shoot forth’ (intr.)

šalīk- ‘touch, violate’ (NH → *šalikzi*)

ti(ya)- ‘enter, step into’ (beside already OH *tiyēzzi*; probably nonce form)

zē(y)a- ‘be cooked done’

4. Intransitive Activity

titha- ‘thunder’

5. Intransitive Stative

āšš- ‘be good, dear’

pukk- ‘be hated/hateful’

dukk- ‘be visible; important’

ur-/war- ‘burn’

wasš- ‘be good, pleasing’ (Luvian)

hā- ‘be warm’ (Palaic)

zi- ‘lie’ (CLuvian)

6. Passive

halziya- ‘be called’ (Pres3Sg *halziya*; later renewed as *halziyattari*)
hanna- ‘be judged’ (Pret3Sg *hannat*)
karš- ‘be cut off’ (Imv3Sg *karšāru*)
kun- ‘be killed’ (Pret3Sg *kunati*) (not assured!)
lahu- ‘be poured’ (Pres3Sg *lahūwari*; also *lahuwatari*)

Media tantum in -(a)tta(ri)

1. Transitive

parh- (-atta-) ‘pursue, chase’ (NH → *parhzi*)
šanna- (-atta-) ‘conceal’ (NH → *šannai*)
šarra- (-atta-) ‘transgress; break’ (NH → *šarrai*)
wešiya- (-atta-) ‘graze (animals)’
zahhiya- (-atta-) ‘fight’ (NH → *zahhiyēzzi*)

2. Intransitive Change-of-State

armaniya-/irmaliya- (-atta-) ‘sicken’ (impers. & intr.)
hai(n)k- (-ta-) ‘bow’ (NH → *hi(n)kzi*)
halihliya- (?) ‘bow’ (MH → *halihlai*)
handāi- (-tta-) ‘become ordered; draw even with’ (vs. passive in NH oracular inquiries!)
happ- (-ta-) ‘arrange oneself, succeed’ (but OS *happaru!*) (NH → *hapzi*)
harpp(iya)- (-tta-) ‘change allegiance’ (NH → *harpzi, harpiyaši*)
huršakniya- (-atta-) ‘shrivele’
igāi- (-tta-) ‘grow cold’
izziya- ‘appear, materialize’ (< Luvian)
kikkiš- (-ta-) ‘happen’
kištanziya- (-atta-) ‘starve, become hungry’
lazziya- (-atta-) ‘become well, turn out well’
lēlaniya- (-atta-) ‘become angry’
lukka- (-atta-) ‘dawn’
mar-/mer- (-ta-) ‘disappear’
mi(ya)hunta- (?) ‘grow old’
mummiye- (-etta-) ‘fall’
mūriya- (-atta-) ‘crouch’ (or sim.)
nahšariya- (-atta-) ‘take fright’ (MH → *nahšariyazzi*)
pangariya- (-atta-) ‘become numerous’
park(iya)- ‘rise’ (-ta-) (NH → *parkiyazzi*)
parkuya- ‘become clean’ (-atta-)
putkiye- ‘swell’ (-etta-)
šalla/i- *‘become large’ > ‘spread out’ (-a/itta-)
šamešiya- ‘disperse’ (intr.) (-atta-)
šarra- (-atta-) ‘divide, separate’ (intr.)
šuppariya- ‘fall asleep’ (only in plural, but surely in -atta-, based on all other -ariya- verbs)
waršiya- ‘calm down’ (intr.) (-atta-)
wēh- (-tta-) ‘pass/go away’ (NB vs. *wēhatta(ri)* ‘spin, move about’)

3. Stative

ar- (-*ta-*) ‘stand’

āššiya- ‘be dear’ (-*atta-*)

hišwāi- ‘lie open’ (only plural, so membership here not certain)

hu(i)ya- ‘be running’ (-*atta-*) (vs. active *hi*-verb originally telic ‘flee’)

i(ya)- (-*atta-*) ‘be walking’

ki- (-*tta-*) ‘lie’

tarra- (-*atta-*) ‘be able, strong’

wēšš- (-*ta-*) ‘wear’

4. Ambiguous and Other

haššuwezziya- (-*atta-*) ‘be(come) king’

imp(an)āi- (-*tta-*) ‘be(come) burdensome’

tešhaniya- (-*atta-*) ‘appear in a dream’

tuhhāi- (-*tta-*) ‘choke, cough’

wēh- (-*atta-*) ‘spin, move about’ (vs. *wēhta-* ‘pass/go away’!)

zappiya- (-*atta-*) ‘leak’

5. Medio-passives in -*ške-* to Actives

A. To fidentives in -*ešš-* (with single exception always active!)

ašiwanteške- ‘become poor’

makkeške- ‘become numerous’

marl(a)iške- ‘become foolish’

palheške- ‘become wide’

pargaweške- ‘become high’

parkeške- ‘become high’

tepaweške- ‘become few’

B. To other intransitives:

akkiške/a- ‘die’

harkiška- ‘perish’

kallareška- ‘be unfavorable’

paiške/a- ‘go’

ueške- ‘come’

C. To active transitives (with active sense retained!)

arieška- ‘inquire by oracle’ (contra Neu 1968a: 13, not passive)

paripariške- ‘blow’ (diathesis indeterminate)

ušneška- ‘offer for sale’

Likely Innovative Middles & Unclear Cases (NB preponderance of preterites, esp. 3rd persons!)

✓ *āšš-* ‘remain’ (1x NH *āštat*)

hark- ‘perish’ (2x *harki(yai)ttaru* in dupl. texts)

hād- ‘dry out’ (1x *hādantari*)

huntariya- ‘fart’ (1x *huntariyaitta*)

✓ *išhahruwāi-* ‘weep’ (1x *išhahruwattat* in HAB)

- ✓ *ištarkk(iya)*- ‘sicken’ (1x *ištarakkiyattat*)
- ✓ *kariya-* ‘accede’ (1x NH *kariyahhahat*)
- karušš(iya)*- ‘be silent’ (3x NH, including faulty Pres2Sg *karuššiyari!*)
- ✓ *memi-* ‘speak’ (1x NH *memiyahhat*)
- ✓ *nahh-* ‘fear’ (1x *nahhantat*)
- ✓ *nakkešš-* ‘become burdensome’ (1x NH *nakkeštat*)
- ✓ *neku-* ‘become twilight’ (1x NH *nekuttat*)
- nink-* (+ -za) ‘drink to satiety’ (1x *ninkihhut*)
- ✓ *tamaš-* ‘(op)press’ (1x NH *tamaštat*; contra Neu 1968: 163, examples of *tamašta* are active!)
- ✓ *ūp-* ‘rise’ (of the sun) (1x *ūptat*)
- watku-* ‘jump, spring’ (3x; with three different stems, including peculiar *watgahhut*)

Oppositional Middles

1. Intransitive Medio-Passives to Transitive Actives (NB not passive!)

A. To factitives in *-ahh-* (partly with *-a-* endings!)

ARAD-*nahh-* (-*tat*) ‘become subject (to)’ (NB with Neu 1968: 71-2, without *-za* and not passive!)

innarahh- ‘become strong’ (poss. also with *innarāi-*)

kuliyawahh- (-*ati!*) ‘become calm, still’ (functionally = *kuliyawešš-*)

nakkiyahh- (-*tat*) ‘weigh upon’ (= *nakkiyēšš-*)

šuppiyahh- (-*ati!*) ‘become pure’

B. Other (all with *-tta*-where determinable)

har(k)- ‘hold’ (KBo 18.27 Ro 5 *hartummati* with unclear function)

immiya- ‘mix in with, join’ (KBo 32.234 Ro 6) (not passive!)

kar(a)š- ‘fail’ (vs. active ‘cut’)

munnāi- ‘disappear’ (vs. with *-za* ‘hide oneself’ and active ‘hide’)

ninink- ‘rise, mobilize (intr.)’ (without *-za* vs. active ‘raise, set in motion’)

šu(wa)- ‘become (over)full; be fulfilled’

takš- ‘unite (intr.)’ (without *-za* vs. active ‘put together; make, do’)

tamenk- ‘stick together (intr.)’ > ‘become allied with’ (vs. active ‘affix, attach’)

?*tuhhuš-* ‘come to an end’ (if this is to the same root as *tuhš-* ‘cut off’)

uwaiya- ‘become object of woe for’ (vs. active ‘do harm to’)

weriya- (+ *anda*) ‘collude with’ (vs. active ‘call’)

2. Reciprocals (as plurals, not clearly to *-a* or *-tta*)

ŠU-*az app-* ‘take each other by the hand’ (w/ and w/o *-za*)

hanna- ‘quarrel, contest at law’ (1x w/ *-za*)

šā(i)- ‘be angry at each other’ (1x w/ *-za*)

zahh- ‘strike each other’ (1x w/o *-za* in OH/OS)

3. Reflexives (always plus *-za* except where noted)

aniya- ‘ritually treat oneself

arra- ‘wash (oneself)’

aršiya- ‘indulge yourself’ (let oneself be tended)

ašeš- ‘seat oneself’ (with and without *-za!*)
mugāi- ‘let oneself be allured’
munnāi- ‘hide oneself’ (vs. simple m-p ‘disappear’)
parkunu- ‘purify yourself’
šuppiyahh- ‘purify oneself’ (beside simple m-p ‘become pure’)
daššanu- ‘strengthen oneself’
unu(wa)- ‘adorn oneself’
wallu(ške)- ‘boast’ < *‘exalt oneself’
warp- ‘bathe (oneself)’ (without *-za!*)
waššiya- ‘clothe oneself’ (with and without *-za*)

4. Passives

armizziya- ‘be bridged over’ (passive, contra Neu 1968a: 15)
aršiya- ‘be provided, attended’ (contra Neu 1968a: 16)
aš(ša)nu- ‘be completed, put in order’
arha app- ‘be received’
hallanniya- ‘be trampled’
halziya- ‘be called’ (vs. older *halziya!*)
hamink- ‘be bound’
handāi- ‘be assigned/determined (by oracle)’ (vs. older intr. use ‘become ordered; draw even with’)
harra- ‘be crushed’
huettiya- ‘be drawn, dragged’
hulle/a- ‘be struck, defeated’
hulaliya- ‘be wrapped up’
hunink- ‘be damaged’
immiya- ‘be mixed/combined’
irħāi- ‘be finished’
išħi- ‘be bound’
išiyahh- ‘be revealed’
ištalkiya- ‘be made smooth/flat’
ištamašš- ‘be heard’
ištapp- ‘be blocked’
ištarnink- ‘be made sick’
kariya- ‘be covered’
karp- ‘be finished’
kinu- ‘be broken open’
lā(i)- ‘be released’
lahu- ‘be poured’ (also 1x *lahūwari*)
lišš- ‘be gathered’
marriya- ‘be broken into pieces’
markiya- ‘be rejected’
ninink- ‘be raised’
pippa- ‘be overturned’
šakkuriya- ‘be overpowered’ (or sim.)
šallanu- ‘be made great, reared’

šamniya- ‘be created’ (but hardly to *šamnai-*)
šišša- ‘be pressed together’
šiuniyahh- ‘be struck by a god’
šiye- ‘be sealed’
suppiyahh- ‘be purified’ (1x vs. intr. use above)
dā- ‘be taken’
takšatniya- ‘be made level’
tamaš- ‘be oppressed’
dammešħāi- ‘be harmed’
tameummahh- ‘be alienated/removed’
tarna- ‘be released’
tarupp- ‘be united; be finished’
tuhhuš- ‘be separated’ (the sense ‘be finished’ may or may not be from this)
duwarna- ‘be broken’
warnu- ‘be burned’
wemiya- ‘be found’
wešuriya- ‘be twisted’
zahh- ‘be struck’ (vs. older reciprocal use!)