## HOW TO PRAY: LANGUAGE/PRONUNCIATION/NUSACH

## Praying in Own Language

Praying in Hebrew is preferable, even if you don't understand Hebrew.

- NOTE You MAY pray in your own language, but only if that is the language of the country in which you are praying.
- NOTE If your native language is not commonly spoken in the country in which you are now present, you may not pray in that language, even if you are with a *minyan*. If several languages are commonly spoken in your country (such as *Hebrew* and English in Israel, or English and Spanish in Florida and California), you may pray in any of those languages.

## Ashkenazi Jew, Sefardi Pronunciation

An *Ashkenazi* Jew should ideally not pray using *Sefardi* pronunciation, but since it is OK to pray in any language, this is not a problem.

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