

# Standing on David's Shoulders

## 1. Read Psalm 19:7-9 (Hollman Christian Standard follows)

7 The instruction of the Lord is perfect,  
renewing one's life;

the testimony of the Lord is trustworthy,  
making the inexperienced wise.

8 The precepts of the Lord are right,  
making the heart glad;  
the command of the Lord is radiant,  
making the eyes light up.

9 The fear of the Lord is pure,  
enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the Lord are reliable  
and altogether righteous.

## 2. Count the number of words in the first line of each of the hexapla (six different couplets). Record them in the chart.

EXAMPLE:

The instruction of the Lord is perfect, - 7

## 3. Underline the synonym used for law or Word. Record it in the chart.

EXAMPLE:

The instruction of the Lord is perfect

## 4. Highlight the attribute. Record it in the chart.

EXAMPLE:

The instruction of the Lord is perfect

## 5. Circle, or box, the resulting effect. Record it in the chart.

EXAMPLE:

The instruction of the Lord is perfect  
renewing one's life

## 6. Analyze the pattern. Use cross-references found @ biblehub.com or a concordance, as well as, a thesaurus. Choose a synonym for "law" and select an attribute. Decide on the resulting effect (note the word ends in "-ing")

## 7. Write a new couplet following the pattern.

Verse	7a	7b	8a	8b	9a	9b
# of Words( first lines)	7	7	7	7	7	7
Law/ Synonym (underlined words)						
Attribute (gray highlight)						
Result (Dark highlight)						

Teacher note:

My students saw the pattern easier when we wrote out the pattern with blanks to fill in.

We found that the pattern was:

The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_,  
(law or Bible synonym) (Attribute)

\_\_\_\_\_ing \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(the result of the law being what it is in our life)