

Table 6.F

Comparison of formal and mortal-time expressions in the *Book of Mormon*

Diction and meaning	Within-year expressions	Year-end expressions	Non-numbered expressions	Of-age expressions	Added-end expressions	Explicit-yea expressions
Narrative-links	prepositions <i>in</i> and <i>of</i>	verbs <i>be</i> , <i>end</i> and <i>pass</i> ; and participle <i>making</i>	prepositions <i>from</i> , <i>in</i> , <i>of</i> and <i>to</i>	participles <i>being</i> and <i>having</i> <i>commenced</i>	conjunction <i>and</i>	adverb <i>yea</i>
Year-terms	express singular	express singular and plural	express singular and plural	express singular and plural	implied singular	express singular and plural
Time-terms	Nephite era and omitted	Nephite era and omitted	all omitted	personalized and omitted	all omitted	Nephite era and omitted
Number-terms	stated ordinal	stated cardinal and ordinal	all absent	stated cardinal	stated cardinal and ordinal	stated cardinal and ordinal
Complete meanings	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no

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