

# Intro to Sarf

- Sarf is the study of word patterns (how words are created from just one word) and how it impacts the meaning of the word.
- We will study how to form 10 kinds of words: 6 fils & 4 isms

اسم فاعل The one who does the action	مصدر Idea / Verbal Noun	فعل مضارع Present Tense	فعل ماض Past Tense
اسم مفعول The one who receive the action	مصدر Idea / Verbal Noun	فعل مضارع مجهول Present Passive	فعل ماض مجهول Past Passive
ظرف Time/Place of the action		ناهية Forbidding	أمر Command

# Root Letters

Most Arabic words are made up of three root letters

ل كلمة	ع كلمة	ف كلمة	Word
ر	ص	ن	نَصَرَ
م	ل	س	أَسْلَمَ
ر	ف	غ	اسْتَغْفَرَ

# Families

2 groups of families in sarf

- Mujarrad مجرد where there's no extra letters besides the root letters eg نَصَرَ  
- Family I: 6 tribes
- Mazeed feehi مزيد فيه has additional letters eg اسْتَعْفَرَ and اسْلَمَ  
- Family II to X

Note: Not all words are sarfable.

- Sarfable/derived words are called مُشْتَقٌّ.
- Non sarfable words are called جَامِدٌ.

# Sarf Sagheer

This sarf sagheer template will be used to write out the sarf of each family (باب)

Doer اسم فاعل Teacher مُعَلِّمٌ	Idea مصدر Education تَعْلِيمًا	Present Tense فعل مضارع He teaches يُعَلِّمُ	Past Tense فعل ماضٍ He taught عَلَّمَ
Receiver اسم مفعول Student مُعَلَّمٌ	Idea مصدر Education تَعْلِيمًا	Present Passive مضارع مجهول He is taught يُعَلَّمُ	Past Passive ماضٍ مجهول He was taught عُكِّمَ
Time/Place طرف School مُعَلِّمٌ		Forbid ناهية Don't teach! لَا تُعَلِّمُ	Command أمر Teach! عَلِّمُ

# Sarf Kabeer

Each word in the sarf sagheer table has a sarf kabeer.

Full Muslim Chart	Partial Muslim Chart	Mudori Chart	Madi Chart
<p>Doer اسم فاعل</p> <p>Teacher مُعَلِّمٌ</p>	<p>Idea مصدر</p> <p>Education تَعْلِيمًا</p>	<p>Present Tense فعل مضارع</p> <p>He teaches يُعَلِّمُ</p>	<p>Past Tense فعل ماض</p> <p>He taught عَلَّمَ</p>
<p>Receiver اسم مفعول</p> <p>Student مُعَلَّمٌ</p>	<p>Idea مصدر</p> <p>Education تَعْلِيمًا</p>	<p>Present Passive مضارع مجهول</p> <p>He is taught يُعَلَّمُ</p>	<p>Past Passive ماض مجهول</p> <p>He was taught عَلِّمَ</p>
<p>Time/Place طرف</p> <p>School مُعَلِّمٌ</p>		<p>Forbid ناهية</p> <p>Don't teach! لَا تُعَلِّمُ</p>	<p>Command أمر</p> <p>Teach! عَلِّمُ</p>
Partial Muslim Chart		Nahi Chart	Amr Chart

Some isms have broken plurals; so the normal plural endings may not apply to all

# Partial Muslim Chart

Masdr & tharf do not have oona/eena endings because those endings are only for intelligent beings.

So they will take aatun/aatin endings instead.

جمع	مثنى	مفرد	مصدر
تَعْلِمَاتٌ	تَعْلِيمَانِ	تَعْلِيمٌ	رفع
تَعْلِمَاتٍ	تَعْلِيمَيْنِ	تَعْلِيمًا	نصب
تَعْلِمَاتِ	تَعْلِيمَيْنِ	تَعْلِيمِ	جر

# Using Dictionaries

Hans Wehr

- Hans Wehr is a dictionary of modern written Arabic compiled in the mid 1900s by Hans Wehr, a German orientalist. Though it's a modern dictionary, many Quranic words are searchable.
- Be aware however there are sometimes variations in classical & modern definitions of the same word.
- Words must be looked up by root letters.
- Available in most major online bookstores
- Can be used online at <http://ejtaal.net/aa/>

## Hans Wehr

- Family I meanings shown first, followed by Families II-X if they exist.
- Any words that share the root letters, but are not necessarily from a sarf family, will be listed at the end after the families I-X.
- s.o someone, s.t something
- harfs in the brackets shows how the meaning changes when used with that harf

نصر *naṣara* u (*naṣr*, نصر *nuṣūr*) to help, aid, assist (على • s.o. against); to render victorious, let triumph (على • s.o. over; of God); to deliver (من • s.o. from), keep, protect, save II to Christianize, convert to Christianity (• s.o.) III to help, aid, assist, support, defend, protect (• s.o.) V to try to help, seek to support (ل s.o.), stand up for s.o. (ل); to become a Christian VI to render mutual assistance, help each other VIII to come to s.o.'s (ل) aid, be on s.o.'s (ل) side, side with s.o. (ل); to stand up for, maintain (ل s.th., one's opinion); to be victorious; to gain a victory, triumph (على over); to take revenge (من on) X to ask (• s.o.) for assistance

نصر *naṣr* help, aid, assistance, support, backing; victory; triumph

نصرة *nuṣra* help, aid, assistance, support, backing



# باب تفعيل - Family II

## Mazeed Feehi

Family II markers:

- ع كلمة syaddah on
- ي starts with فعل مضارع

Family II implications:

Transitive • Long term • Repetitive

فَهُوَ مُعَلِّمٌ	تَعْلِيمًا	يُعَلِّمُ	عَلَّمَ
فَهُوَ مُعَلِّمٌ	تَعْلِيمًا	يُعَلِّمُ	عَلَّمَ
وَالظَّرْفُ مِنْهُ مُعَلِّمٌ	وَالنَّهْيُ عَنْهُ لَا تُعَلِّمُ	الْأَمْرُ مِنْهُ عَلَّمَ	

Complete Exercise 1

**Exercise 1: Family II**

Part 1: Put the following letters in Family II

فضل كذب سبح كبر كلم فسر سلم نزل جود

Part 2: Find the root letters &amp; indicate the kind of word for the following

يُكَذِّبُ	حُصِّلَ	الْمُقَرَّبُونَ
وَلِشُكْرٍ	تُحَدِّثُ	تَكْبِيرًا
تَضْلِيلٍ	مُطَهَّرَةً	ذِكْرًا
كَذَّبُوا	قَدَّمْتُ	يُعَذِّبُ
مُمَدَّدَةً	قَدَّرَ	نَعَمَ
سَنِيسِرًا	تَكْذِيبٍ	لَا تُكَلِّفُ
نَجَّيْنَا	مُصَدِّقًا	فَضَّلْتُكُمْ

Part 3: Quran Practice. Complete the table for the highlighted word & translate it.

1. فَمَهَّلِ الْكَافِرِينَ \_\_\_\_\_

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
فَمَهَّلِ					

2. فَكَذَّبُوهُ فَعَقَرُوهَا But \_\_\_\_\_ then they hamstrung it.

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
فَكَذَّبُوهُ					

3. وَصَدَّقَ بِالْحُسْنَى And \_\_\_\_\_ in the best

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
وَصَدَّقَ					

4. الَّذِي جَمَعَ مَالًا وَعَدَّدَهُ Who collects wealth and \_\_\_\_\_

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
وَعَدَّدَهُ					

5. أُمَّتْعُنَّ وَأُسْرِحُنَّ سَرَاحًا جَمِيلًا \_\_\_\_\_ a gracious release

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
أُمَّتْعُنَّ					
وَأُسْرِحُنَّ					

6. وَهُوَ مُحَرَّمٌ عَلَيْكُمْ And it is \_\_\_\_\_

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
مُحَرَّمٌ					

7. فَبَدَّلَ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا قَوْلًا But those who wronged \_\_\_\_\_ the statement

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
فَبَدَّلَ					

8. وَنَحْنُ نُسَبِّحُ بِحَمْدِكَ وَنُقَدِّسُ لَكَ \_\_\_\_\_

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
نُسَبِّحُ					
وَنُقَدِّسُ					

9. فَإِنَّهُ نَزَّلَهُ عَلَى قَلْبِكَ بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ مُصَدِّقًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ upon your heart with the permission of Allah \_\_\_\_\_ what was before it

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
نَزَّلَهُ					
مُصَدِّقًا					

10. فَذَكَرْ إِن تَفَعَّلِ الذِّكْرَى. So \_\_\_\_\_ if the reminder benefits

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
فَذَكَرْ					

11. إِنَّ الْمُبَدِّرِينَ كَانُوا إِخْوَانَ الشَّيَاطِينِ \_\_\_\_\_ are the

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
الْمُبَدِّرِينَ					

12. سَبِّحِ اسْمَ رَبِّكَ الْأَعْلَى \_\_\_\_\_ the name of your Lord, the Most High

Word	Root	Family	Kind of Word	Madi	Mudori
سَبِّحِ					