

LESSON 6

In this lesson we learn:

1. هَذِهِ which is the feminine of هَذَا. It is pronounced هَازِه but the alif is omitted in writing.

This is a boy and this is a girl.

هَذَا وَلَكِنَّ هَذِهِ بِنْتُ

2. Nouns and adjectives are made feminine by adding a «ة» at the end. The last letter before this (ة) takes a fathah (a)....

مُدَرِّسٌ	⇒	مُدَرِّسَةٌ
mudarris-u-n	⇒	mudarris-a-t-u-n
(teacher)		(lady teacher)

Certain nouns have a separate form for feminine e.g.

ابْنٌ son	بِنْتُ daughter
أَخٌ brother	أُخْتُ sister

All nouns in Arabic are either masculine or feminine. Feminine nouns and adjectives usually have the ة-ending. But there are certain words which do not have this ending. Students when learning a new noun must learn its gender also. Double members of the body are usually feminine while single members are masculine, e.g.,

Feminine	Masculine
يَدٌ hand	رَأْسٌ head
رِجْلٌ leg	أَنْفٌ nose
عَيْنٌ eye	فَمٌ mouth
أُذُنٌ ear	وَجْهٌ face

3. لِ is a preposition meaning “belongs to, for” e.g.,

This belongs to Bilâl and that belongs to Hâmid. هَذَا لِبِلَالٍ ، وَ ذَلِكَ لِحَامِدٍ

Praise belongs to Allâh.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ

Note that the word اللَّهُ becomes لِلَّهِ *lillah-i* (belonging to Allâh) by just dropping the alif. No lâm need be added to the word.

لِمَنْ means “whose” or “belonging to whom” e.g.,

Whose is this ? Whom does this belong to?

لِمَنْ هَذَا ؟

Whose is the book?

لِمَنْ الْكِتَابُ ؟

Note that مَنْ becomes مَنِ when followed by اَلْ

4. أَيْضاً means “also”, e.g.

This is beautiful,

هَذَا جَمِيلٌ ،

and that is also beautiful.

وَذَلِكَ أَيْضاً جَمِيلٌ .

5. جَدًّا means “very”, e.g.

This is very big.

هَذَا كَبِيرٌ جَدًّا .

✎ Exercises

Ex.1: Read and write.

Ex.2: Answer the question.

Ex.3: Fill in the blanks in the left column with the same predicate as in the sentences in the right column after turning them into feminine.

Ex.4: Correct the following.

Ex.5: Read the following with the correct ending.

📖 Vocabulary

المِكْوَةُ iron (for ironing)

البَقْرَةُ cow

الدَّرَاجَةُ bicycle

المِلْعَقَةُ spoon

الفَلَّاحُ farmer

الْأُمُّ mother

الْأَبُ father

الثَّلَاجَةُ fridge

الشَّايُ tea

المَغْرِبُ west

القَهْوَةُ coffee

الْأَنْفُ nose

الفَمُّ mouth

القِدْرُ cooking pot (fem.)

الْأُذُنُ ear

الْعَيْنُ eye

الْيَدُ hand

الرِّجْلُ leg

سَرِيعٌ fast

النَّافِذَةُ window

الْمَشْرِقُ east