

“In the name of Allah,
the Compassionate, the Merciful”

Arabic Exercise Book III: Unit 1-5

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As Allah and His messenger ﷺ have taught us...

"The Muslim is he from whose tongue and hand a Muslim is safe..."
(Sahih Bukhari & Muslim)

"The Believers, men and women, are protectors one of another..."
(Qur'aan 9:71)

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Lesson 1: Say AAH! The Doctor Vowel “Fut-ha”

Part 1: What You Need to Know

Look at these letters; what is that little line on top of each one?



I am glad you noticed, that little line is called Fut-ha!


As you have learned, the Qur'an has more than just the Arabic Alphabet in it. There are many small **signs** used above and below the letters to teach us how to read each letter correctly. If we did not have these signs, we might make mistakes. These signs (called **Harakaat** or **Tashkeel**) help us to recite the Qur'an correctly by showing us what each letter should sound like. Just like the signs we see on the road that tell us which way to go, the signs in the Qur'an tell us how to read each word correctly.

In this lesson, we will learn about “**Futha**”. Futha is a short line that goes above a letter and makes the letter have an “**aa**” sound at the end.

You can remember Futha by thinking about going to the doctor; just like the doctor, every time you see Futha you have to say “aa!” 😊.

Here are some examples of letters with Futha. Color in each letter as you sound it out. Note: The “aa” sound should not be too long or too short. If you count using your fingers, the length of the Futha is the time it takes to lift one finger up.



 = approx. 1 second



“Sa”



“Ja”



“Ma”



“Da”

Part II: Identification

Can you find the Futha? Circle each Futha, and the letter it belongs to, then sound each of the letters out that you circled. Remember Futha makes a letter have the "aa" sound at the end. The first one is done for you.

تَدْعُوا مَنْ اَدْبَرَ وَ تَوَلَّى

"It (the Hellfire) invites he who turned his back (on truth) and went away (from obedience)..." Suratul-Ma'aarij (70: 17)

Part III: Writing Practice

Try it on your own! Now fill in all the missing Futha's, use the ayah above for help.


تَدْعُوا مَنْ اَدْبَرَ وَ تَوَلَّى

Now write the whole ayah 2 times with all the Futha's below, you can do it! **Note:** start from the right where the pencil is. Help your child identify the lines by saying the blue line is in the sky, the green line is the ground. And the brown line is underground. **Futha is written in the sky**, make sure your Ba is resting on the ground, letters like Noon and Ya touch the brown line that is underground (i.e. dips below the regular writing line).

تَدْعُوا مَنْ اَدْبَرَ وَ تَوَلَّى

Part IV: Reading Practice

Let's learn how Futha sounds and review our letters at the same time!
Trace the forms of each letter below, put a Futha on top and then match it to the sound the letter makes. The first one has been done for you.



NA 'AA QA TAW WA DA LA

Part V: Vocabulary Warm-up

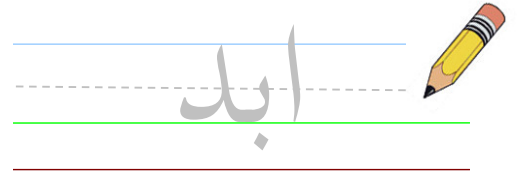
Now practice writing some vocabulary words and writing Futha at the same time. **Note:** Try to help your child memorize or review the meanings of all vocabulary words, as all words are used in the Qur'an and will help your child understand the Qur'an better in the future. Answers are at the bottom of the page.

6. Memorize the meaning

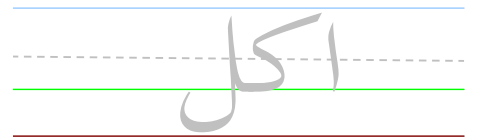
3. Write each word again.
4. Add Futha to each letter.
5. Then sound out the word.

1. Identify the letters.
2. Trace each word.

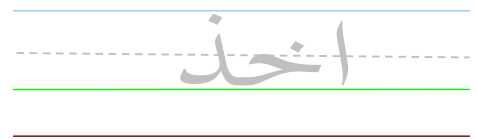
Forever
(a long time without end)



He ate
(past tense)



He took
(past tense)



Answers: "A-ba-da", "A-kha-dha", "A-ka-la".

Part VI: Sound It Out!

Now practice sounding out more words. Look at each letter and sound it out with the Futha, then put the sounds together to sound out each word (answers are at the bottom of the page).

خَبَتَ	=	تَ	+	بَ	+	خَ
حَمَلَ	=	لَ	+	مَ	+	حَ
وَهَبَ	=	بَ	+	هَ	+	وَ
بَحَرَ	=	رَ	+	حَ	+	بَ
ذَرَعَ	=	عَ	+	رَ	+	ذَ
بَطَلَ	=	لَ	+	طَ	+	بَ
جَنَّبَ	=	بَ	+	نَ	+	جَ
بَعَثَ	=	ثَ	+	عَ	+	بَ
قَلَبَ	=	بَ	+	لَ	+	قَ
جَهَرَ	=	رَ	+	هَ	+	جَ

Answers: 1. kha-ba-ta, 2. ha-ma-la, 3.wa-ha-ba, 4. ba-ha-ra, 5. dha-ra-a'a , 6. ba-ta-la, 7. ja-na-ba, 8. ba-a'-tha, 9. qa-la-ba, 10. ja-ha-ra