

Elementary Arabic Syntax 2

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Syntax

1. What does syntax teach us?

Syntax teaches us the states of words when they are combined with other words.

2. Do all words combine with other words in the same way?

There are two types of words that are combined with other words:

- Indeclinable: the end of the word does not change.
- Declinable: the end of the word changes due to the different functions that it serves.

3. How does one know what the end of an indeclinable word is?

There is no rule in determining the end of an indeclinable word.

4. How does one know what the end of a declinable word is?

The end of declinable words is determined by the rules that one learns from syntax. One will learn when a verb is put into the nominative, subjective or jussive cases and when a noun is put into the nominative, accusative, or genitive cases.

The Nominative and Subjective Cases of the Aorist Tense Verb

5. When is an aorist tense verb put in the nominative case?

An aorist tense verb is always put into the nominative state unless preceded by a subjective preposition, jussive preposition, or is indeclinable. For example: **يُثْمِرُ الشَّجَرُ** (The tree produced fruit.)

6. How many kinds of subjective prepositions are there?

There are two types of subjective prepositions: essential subjective prepositions and subjective prepositions that come after the implied *an*.

7. How many essential subjective prepositions are there?

There are four essential subjective prepositions: **كي ، إذن ، لن ، أن** For example: **أريد أن أتعلّم** (I want to study.)

8. How many subjective prepositions come after the implied *an*?

There are four subjective prepositions that come after the implied *an*: **الواو ، الفاء ، أو ، اللام ، حتى** for example: **إضرب المذنبَ حتى يتوبَ** (Hit the criminal so he repents.)

9. What are the conditions of the *an* preposition?

The preposition *an* puts a verb into the subjective state if it creates the meaning of an infinitive.

10. What are the conditions of the *idhan* preposition?

The preposition *idhan* puts a verb into the subjective state on two conditions:

- It is at the beginning of the response
- There are not any words in between the preposition and the verb.

For example: **احترم رئيسك إذن يُكرمك** (Respect your boss so that he will be generous to you.)

The Jussive Cases of the Aorist Tense

11. When is an aorist tense verb put into the jussive case?

An aorist tense verb is put into the jussive case if it is preceded by one of the sixteen jussive prepositions.

12. How many types of jussive prepositions are there?

There are two types of jussive prepositions, one that makes one verb jussive and the other that makes two verbs jussive.

13. How many jussive prepositions are there that make one verb jussive?

There are four jussive prepositions that make one verb jussive, for example:

- **لَمْ** , for example: **لَمْ يَذْهَبْ أَحَدٌ** (Nobody came.)
- **لَمَّا** , for example: **تَعَلَّمَ الْقِرَاءَةَ وَ لَمَّا يَكْتُبُ** (He learned how to read and has not written.)
- The imperative **لِيَم**, for example: **لِيَنْطَبِ نَفْسُكَ** (Feel comfortable.)
- The prohibition **لِيَم**, for example: **لَا تَيْاسَ مِنْ رَحْمَةِ اللَّهِ** (Don't loose hope in Allah's mercy.)

14. How many jussive prepositions are there that make two verbs jussive?

There are twelve jussive prepositions that put two verbs into the jussive state. All of them are conditional. For example:

- **إِنْ** , for example: **إِنْ تَكْسَلْ تَخْسَرُ** (If you are lazy you will loose.)
- **إِذَا** , for example: **إِذَا تَتَعَلَّمَ تَتَقَدَّمُ** (If you learn you will progress.)
- **مَنْ** , for example: **مَنْ يَطْلُبُ يَجِدُ** (Whoever searches will find.)
- **مَا** , for example: **مَا تَفْعَلْ أَفْعَلُ** (Whatever you do, I will do.)
- **مَهْمَا** , for example: **مَهْمَا تَأْمُرُ بِالْخَيْرِ أَفْعَلُهُ** (Whenever you command something good I will do it.)
- **أَيُّ** , for example: **أَيُّ يَجْتَهِدِ يَنْجَحُ** (Whoever strives will be successful.)

- كَيْفَمَا , for example: كَيْفَمَا تَجْلِسُ أَجْلِسُ (However you sit I will sit.)
- مَتَى , for example: مَتَى تَرْجِعُ نَكْرِمُكَ (Whenever you return we will respect you.)
- أَيَّانَ , for example: أَيَّانَ تَسْأَلُنِي أَجِبُكَ (Whenever you ask me I'll answer you.)
- أَيْنَمَا , for example: أَيْنَمَا تَذْهَبُ تَنْجَحُ (Wherever you go you will succeed.)
- أَنَّى , for example: أَنَّى يَذْهَبُ صَاحِبُ الْعِلْمِ يُكْرَمُ (Wherever a scholar goes he will be respected.)
- حَيْثَمَا , for example: حَيْثَمَا تَسْقُطُ تَثْبِتُ (Wherever you fall you will remain.)

15. What are the two jussive verbs called?

The first jussive verb is called a conditional verb and the second jussive verb is called a result.

16. Are any of the jussive prepositions considered a noun?

All of the jussive prepositions are really nouns except **إِن** and **إِذَا** . They are real prepositions.

17. Are all of the jussive prepositions declinable or indeclinable?

All of the jussive prepositions are indeclinable except **أَيُّ** which is declinable.

18. When is the conditional **إِن** implied?

The conditional **إِن** is implied if it comes after a requisition and puts an aorist tense verb into the jussive state. For example: **إِن تَتَعَلَّمْ تَفْزُ** was originally **تَفْزُ تَعَلَّمْ تَفْزُ** (If you study you will succeed.)

19. Is the conditional verb and its result in the aorist tense or the preterite tense?

The conditional verb and its result can be:

- Two aorist tense verbs, for example: **إِن تَصْبِرْ تَظْفِرْ** (If you show patience you will be victorious.)
- Two preterite tense verbs, for example: **إِن صَبَرْتَ ظَفَرْتَ** (If you were patient you would have succeeded.)
- A combination of tenses, for example: **إِن تَصْبِرْ ظَفَرْتَ** or **إِن صَبَرْتَ تَظْفِرْ**. If the first verb is in the preterite tense and the second in the aorist tense, the second verb can be put into the jussive or nominative cases.

20. When is it necessary to add a **فَا** to the result?

In the following six cases it is obligatory to add a **فَا** to the result:

- If the result is in the preterite tense preceded by **قَدْ** , for example: **إِن آمَنتَ فقد خلصتَ** (If you believed you would have become pure.)
- If the result is made negative by **مَا** or **لَنْ** , for example: **إِن جاءني ضيفٌ فما أَرُدُّهُ** (If a guest comes to me I will not reject him.)

- If the result is a requisition verb, for example: **أَنْ سَقَطَ عَدُوُّكَ فَلَا تَسْمَتَ بِهِ** (If your enemy falls do not become happy about it.)
- If the result is an aplastic verb, for example: **إِنْ تَرَنِي أَقْلَ مَا لَأَفْعَسِي رَبِّي أَنْ يُغْنِيَنِي** (If you see me poor have hope that my Lord will make me rich.)
- If the result is preceded by a *ṣṣ* or **سوف** , for example: **إِنْ زُرْتَنِي فَسَأُزِيرُكَ** (If you visited me I will soon visit you.)
- If the result is a nominal sentence, for example: **مَهْمَا أُرِدْتَ فَأَتِي مُسْتَعِدٌّ لِقَضَائِهِ** (Whenever you desire I will surely help you settle it.)

21. When is it permissible to add a *f*' to the result?

In the following two cases it is permissible to add a *f*' to the result:

- If the result is in the aorist tense and made negative by a **لا** , for example: **إِنْ تَدْرُسْ فَلَا تَخْسَرُ** (If you study you will not fail.)
- If the result is a positive aorist tense verb, for example: **مَنْ يَطْلُبُ فَيَجِدُ** (Whoever searches will find.)

22. What state is the result in if a *f*' is added to it?

If a *f*' is added to the result, it is forbidden to put it in the jussive case, instead one must put it in the nominative case as a subjective compliment for an implied inchoative. For example: **مَنْ يَطْلُبُ فَيَجِدُ** (Whoever searches will find.) is really: **مَنْ يَطْلُبُ فَهُوَ يَجِدُ**

23. What function do the conditional **أي** , **مهما** , **ما** have?

The conditional **أي** , **مهما** , **ما** have the following conditions:

- Inchoative if followed by an intransitive verb. For example: **أَيُّ يَجْتَهِدُ يَنْجَحُ** (Whoever strives will be successful.)
- Objective compliment if followed by a transitive verb that has not taken an objective compliment. For example: **مَنْ تُكْرِمُ أُكْرِمُ** (Whoever you respect I will respect.)
- Genitive prepositional phrase or the word after a prefixed noun, for example: **بِمَنْ تَذْهَبُ أَذْهَبُ** (Whoever you take I will take.)

24. What function do the conditional **حيثما** , **أني** , **أينما** , **أيان** , **متى** have?

The conditional **حيثما** , **أني** , **أينما** , **أيان** , **متى** are in the accusative state because it is an adverbial noun of time or place. For example: **مَتَى تَنَامُ أَنَا نَامُ** (Whenever you sleep I will sleep.)

25. What state does the conditional **كيفما** have?

The conditional **كيفما** is in the accusative state because it is a *h* accusative. For example:

كَيْفَمَا تُوَجَّهْ نُصَادَفُ خَيْرًا (However you face it, it will pass positively.)

Nominative Cases of a Noun: The Actor

26. What is an actor?

An actor is a noun that is mentioned after an active verb and indicates the doer of the verb. For example: **لَعِبَ الصَّغِيرُ** (the child played.)

27. How many kinds of actors are there?

An actor can be:

- A clear noun, for example: **طَلَعَتِ الشَّمْسُ** (The sun rose.)
- A mentioned pronoun, for example: **نَجَحْتُ فِي الامْتِحَانِ** (I passed the exam.)
- An implied pronoun, for example: **التِّلْمِيذُ الْمُجْتَهِدُ يَنْجَحُ** (A hardworking student will succeed.)
- An verb that is changed into the infinitive form because of the *an* preposition, for example:

بَلَّغَنِي أَنَّكَ نَجَحْتَ (It has reached me that you have been saved.)

28. Does the verb remain the same if the actor is feminine?

If the actor is feminine the verb is made feminine:

- in the preterite tense by adding a vowel-less *tā'* to the end of the verb. For example: **سَافَرَتِ مَرْيَمُ** (Maryam travelled.)
- in the aorist tense by adding the feminine letter to the beginning of the verb. For example:

تُسَافِرُ مَرْيَمُ (Maryam is travelling.)

29. Does the verb change if the actor is a noun in the dual form?

The dual letters are not added to the verb if the actor is a clear noun in the dual form, rather it remains single. For example: **قَامَ الرَّجُلَانِ** (Two men stood up.)

30. Does the verb change if the actor is a noun in the plural form?

The plural letters are not added to the verb if the actor is a clear noun in the plural form, rather it remains single. For example: **تَكَلَّمَ الْخُطَبَاءُ** (The speakers spoke.)

31. When is it permissible to make the verb masculine or feminine?

A verb can be put into the feminine or masculine form in three cases:

- If the actor is feminine and is separated from the verb, for example: **سَافَرَتْ أَوْ سَافَرَ الْيَوْمَ مَرْيَمُ** (Maryam traveled today.)
- If the actor is an unnatural feminine, for example: **أَنْمَرَتْ أَوْ أَنْمَرَ الشَّجَرَةُ** (The tree produced fruit.)

- If the actor is a broken plural, for example: **جاءت أو جاء الجواري** (The female servants came.)

32. What is a sentence comprised of a verb and an actor called?

A sentence that is comprised of a verb and an actor is called a verbal sentence. For example: **نزل المطرُ** (Rain fell down.)

Nominative Cases of a Noun: Subject of a Predication

33. What is a subject of the predication?

A subject of the predication is an objective compliment that comes after a passive verb and takes the place of the actor that has been erased. For example: **قُتِلَ اللصُّ** (The thief was killed.)

34. What should be done if the verb is transitive and takes on more than one objective compliment?

If the verb is transitive and takes on more than one objective compliment, the first objective compliment is put into the nominative case as the subject of the predication and the second objective compliment remains in the accusative case. For example: **رُزِقَ الْفَقِيرُ مَالًا** (The poor man was given money.)

35. Does the verb remain in the same form if the subject of the predication is feminine?

If the subject of the predication is feminine the verb is made feminine:

- in the preterite tense by adding a vowel-less **t** to the end of the verb, for example:

سُرِقَتْ سَاعَةٌ (A watch was stolen.)

- in the aorist tense by adding a feminine letter to the beginning of the verb, for example:

تُغْرَسُ الشَّجَرَةُ (The tree was planted.)

36. Does the verb change if the subject of the predication is a noun in the dual form?

The dual letters are not added to the verb if the subject of the predicate is a clear noun in the dual form, rather it remains single. For example: **ضُرِبَ اللّصَانِ** (The two thieves were hit.)

37. Does the verb change if the subject of the predication is a noun in the plural form?

The plural letters are not added to the verb if the subject of the predicate is a clear noun in the plural form, rather it remains single. For example: **سُمِعَ الشَّهَوْدُ** (The witnesses were heard.)

38. What is a sentence comprised of a verb and a subject of the predication called?

A sentence that is comprised of a verb and a subject of the predicate is called a verbal sentence. For example: **زُرِعَ الحَبُّ** (The grains were planted.)

Nominative Cases of a Noun: Inchoative and Predicate

39. What is an inchoative?

An inchoative is a noun in the nominative case that is mentioned at the beginning of a sentence. For example: **العلمُ نافعٌ** (Knowledge is beneficial.)

40. What is a predicate?

A predicate is a word that completes the meaning of the inchoative. For example: **المطرُ غزيرٌ** (The rain is heavy.)

41. What is the rule regarding inchoatives and predicates?

The inchoative is a definite noun that comes first and a predicate is an indefinite noun, if it is a noun, which comes after the inchoative.

42. Is it possible for an inchoative to be an indefinite noun?

The inchoative can be indefinite if it is useful. For example: **شمسٌ مضيئةٌ ظَهَرَتْ** (A luminous sun appeared.)

43. When does the predicate come before the inchoative?

The predicate comes before the inchoative if:

- the inchoative is intended by itself. For example: **ما عادِلٌ إِلا اللهُ** (There is no just being except Allah.).

This means that Allah, nothing else, was intended.

- the predicate is a adverbial noun of time or place or a genitive prepositional phrase and the inchoative is indefinite. For example: **في البيتِ لصٌ** (A thief is in the house.)

- the predicate is one of the words that must come at the beginning of a sentence. For example:

أينَ الطريقُ (Where is the path?)

- if the inchoative is connected to a pronoun that refers to the predicate. For example:

في الدارِ صاحبُها (The owner of the house is in the house.)

44. What is a sentence comprised of an inchoative and a predicate called?

A sentence comprised of an inchoative and a predicate is called a nominal sentence. For example: **الكسلُ عاقبَةُ الفقرِ** (The end of a lazy person is poverty.)

45. How many types of predicates are there?

There are three types of predicates:

- Noun, for example: عَلِيٌّ أَسَدٌ (Ali is a lion.)
- Sentence, for example: الكسل عاقبته الفقر
- Fragment, for example: بلاء الإنسان من اللسان (Man's tribulations come from the tongue.)

Incomplete and Appropinquation Verbs

46. What is an annular?

An annular is a word that is added to an inchoative and predicate and changes their situation. An annular is either a verb (incomplete verbs or appropinquation verbs) or prepositions (particles which resemble a verb and the /^ع which denies a whole genus).

47. What is the rule of annulars if they are verbs?

If an annular is a verb it is added to an inchoative and predicate and makes the inchoative its subject and puts it in the nominative case and puts the predicate in the accusative case. For example:

كَانَ الْجَوُّ صَافِيًا (The weather was clear.)

48. What are incomplete verbs?

Incomplete verbs are verbs that denote the state of a person or thing. They are not completed with the subject alone, rather they are in need of a predicate to complete the meaning as well. For example: كَانَ الرَّجُلُ مَرِيضًا (The man was sick.)

49. How many incomplete verbs are there?

The incomplete verbs are:

- مَادَامَ ، بَاتَ ، أَمْسَى ، صَارَ ، ظَلَّ ، أَضْحَى ، أَصْبَحَ ، كَانَ All of these are conjugated in the preterite, aorist and imperative tenses.
- مَا انْفَكَّ ، مَا بَرَحَ ، مَا فَتَى ، مَا زَالَ All of these are conjugated in the preterite and aorist tenses.
- لَيْسَ This incomplete verb is only conjugated in the preterite tense.

50. Are these incomplete verbs always incomplete?

No, sometimes they have complete meanings, just like any other regular verb. This is the case when they denote an event not a state. For example: كَانَ لَيْلاً (It was night.)

51. How many kinds of predicates of incomplete verbs are there?

The predicate of incomplete verbs is the same as the predicate of inchoatives in that they can be nouns, sentences, or fragments. For example: كَانَ عَلِيٌّ أَسَدًا (Ali was a lion.) or أَصْبَحْتُمْ فِي حَزْنٍ شَدِيدٍ (They were

found in a heavy state of grief).

52. When does the predicate of an incomplete verb come before its subject?

The predicate of an incomplete verb comes before the subject in the same cases that was mentioned of the predicate of an inchoative coming before the inchoative.

53. Is it permissible to add a 'ba' to the predicate of an incomplete verb?

Yes, it is permissible to add a *ba'* to the predicate of an incomplete verb if:

- the incomplete verb is **كان** which is preceded by a negative word. For example: **ما كان الله بظالمٍ** (Allah was not an oppressor.)

- the incomplete verb is **ليس** for example: **ليس الله بظالمٍ للعبيد** (Allah is not oppressive to servants.)

54. What makes the verb *kāna* stand out from all of its sisters?

Kāna stands out because it is added after a *mā'* of wonder and it is erased with its subject after a conditional *in* or *law*. For example: **الظالم هالكٌ ولو (كان الظالم) ملكاً** (An oppressor will become destroyed even if (the oppressor was) a king.)

55. What is an appropinquation verb?

Appropinquation verbs are verbs that denote the closeness of an occurrence, hope of an occurrence, or the start of an action. Similar to the incomplete verbs, appropinquation verbs have a subject in the nominative case and a predicate in the accusative case. For example: **كاد الولدُ يغرقُ** (The boy was about to drown.)

56. How many appropinquation verbs are there?

The appropinquation verbs are:

- **كاد ، كَرَبَ ، أوشكَ** which denote the closeness of an occurrence
- **عسى ، حَرَى ، اخلولقُ** which denote the hope of an occurrence
- **أخذَ ، جعلَ ، شرعَ طفقَ علقَ هبُّ** which denote the start of an action

57. Do the meanings of these verbs always have something to do with closeness?

No, sometimes they are used as transitive or intransitive verbs. In these cases they are like any other regular verb. For example: **أخذتُ الكتابَ عن الطاولةِ** (I took the book off of the table.)

58. What form is the predicate of an appropinquation verb in?

The predicate of appropinquation verbs is always a verb in the aorist tense. For example:

كاد الولدُ يغرقُ

Particles Which Resemble a Verb

59. What are particles which resemble a verb?

Particles which resemble a verb are added to an inchoative and predicate and make the inchoative, its subject, in the accusative form and put the predicate into the nominative form. For example:

إِنَّ الْبَرْدَ قَارِسٌ (Verily, the cold weather is severe.)

60. How many particles are there which resemble a verb?

There are six particles which resemble a verb: لَعْلٌ ، لَيْتَ ، لَكَنَّ ، كَأَنَّ ، أَنْ ، إِنَّ

61. Why do these particles resemble verbs?

The reason that these particles resemble a verb is because they carry the meaning of a verb. إِنَّ and أَنْ have the meaning of emphasis, كَأَنَّ has the meaning of similarity, لَكَنَّ has the meaning of but, لَيْتَ has the meaning of an impossible hope, and لَعْلٌ has the meaning of hope.

62. What is the ruling concerning these particles if a *m* is added to them?

If a *m* is added to one of these particles they do not put the inchoative into the accusative case and they may be written before nouns or verbs. For example: إِنَّمَا الصَّبْرُ مَفِيدٌ (Verily, patience is useful.)

63. How many types of predicates of particles which resemble a verb are there?

The predicate of particles which resemble a verb is either a noun, for example: كَأَنَّ عَلِيًّا أَسَدٌ ('Ali is like a lion.), a sentence, for example: لَعْلَ التَّلْمِيذِ يَنْجَحُ (Hopefully the students will be successful.), or a fragment, for example: إِنَّ الصَّدِيقَ عِنْدَنَا (Verily Sadiq is with us.)

64. When is it obligatory for the predicate of particles which resemble a verb to come before the subject?

It is obligatory for the predicate of these particles to be mentioned before the subject if the predicate is an adverbial noun of time or place or a prepositional phrase and:

- the subject is indefinite. For example: إِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا (Verily, with difficulty there is ease.)
- the subject is connected to a pronoun that refers to the predicate. For example: إِنَّ فِي الدَّارِ صَاحِبَهَا (Verily in the house is its owner.)

65. When is it permissible for the predicate of particles which resemble a verb to come before the subject?

It is permissible for the predicate of these particles to be mentioned before the subject if the predicate is an adverbial noun of time or place or a prepositional phrase and the subject is definite, for example: إِنَّ فِي الصَّوْمِ صِحَّةَ الْبَدَنِ (Verily in fasting there is health.)

66. When is the *hamzah* of *inna* given a *kasrah*?

The *hamzah* of *inna* given a *kasrah* if:

- it is at the beginning of a sentence, for example: **إِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ** (Verily Allah is forgiving.)
- it is after the verb **قال** , for example: **قُلْتُ إِنَّكَ وَدُودٌ** (I said: “Verily you are friendly.)
- it is after a request, for example: **أَفِيقْ إِنَّ الْفَجْرَ قَدْ طَلَعَ** (Get up for verily dawn has arrived.)
- it is after a vocative, for example: **يا بطرسُ إِنَّكَ تكفر بي** (O Peter, you have disbelieved in me.)
- it is after **ثم** , for example: **ثُمَّ أَنَّهُ نَهَضَ فَتَكَلَّمَ** (Then, verily he got up and spoke.)
- it is after **حيثُ** , for example: **من حيثُ أَنَّهُ عالمٌ خَطَبَ بفصاحةٍ** (From one viewpoint he is a scholar who speaks eloquently.)
- it is after **إذ** , for example: **تُبْ إِذْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ راحمٌ** (Repent, for surely Allah is merciful.)
- it is after the interrogative **ألا** , for example: **ألا إِنَّ الدنيا كأحلامٍ نائمٍ** (Don't you know that the world is like a dream.)

67. When is the *hamzah* of *inna* given a *fathah*?

The *hamzah* of *inna* given a *fathah* if it, with its predicate, have the meaning of an infinitive. Examples of this in the different cases are:

- in the nominative case: **بَلَغَنِي أَنَّكَ راحلٌ** (It has reached me that you are leaving.)
- in the accusative case: **عرفتُ أَنَّكَ قادمٌ** (I know that you are coming.)
- in the genitive case: **تعلم في صغرك لأنَّ الوقتَ قصيرٌ** (Learn in your youth because of short time.)

68. Is the inchoative *lām* added to the subject or predicate of *inna*?

The inchoative *lām* added to the subject or predicate of *inna* for emphasis. It is added to whichever one comes last. For example: **إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَغَفُورٌ** (Verily Allah is forgiving) or **أَنَّ فِي الدارِ لزيداً** (Verily Zayd is in the house.)

69. Is anything added to the particles which resemble a verb?

Yes, the *lām* that denies a whole genus is added to the particles which resemble a verb and performs the same action that the particles do. For example: **لا رجلٌ حاضرٌ** (No man is present.)

70. What is the ruling of the *lām* that denies a whole genus?

The *lām* that denies a whole genus puts its subject into the accusative state if it is prefixed to another word. For example: **لا كتابٌ سفاهاً ممدوحٌ** (No foolish book is praised.) It makes its subject indeclinable on the accusative sign if it is not prefixed to another noun. For example: **لا زائرٍ عندكم** (No pilgrim is with you.)

Objective Compliment

71. What is an objective compliment?

An objective compliment is a noun that indicates what the verb was performed on and does not change the form of the verb. For example: **برى التلميذُ قلماً** (The student sharpened a pencil.)

72. Where is the objective compliment placed in a sentence?

It is permissible to write the objective compliment before or after the actor except in the cases where it is obligatory to put the actor first or the cases where it is obligatory to put the objective compliment first.

For example: **بنى إبراهيمُ البيتَ** or **بنى البيتَ إبراهيمُ** (Abraham built the house.)

73. When is it obligatory for the actor to come before the objective compliment?

It is obligatory for the actor to come before the objective compliment if:

- it would be confused, for example: **ضربَ فتاكَ أخي** (Your son hit my brother.)
- the actor is a connected pronoun, for example: **أكرمتُ الرسولَ** (I was generous to the messenger.)
- the objective compliment is an exceptive, for example: **لا ينالُ المجتهدُ إلا نجاحاً** (He who strives will not reach anything except success.)

74. When is it obligatory for the objective compliment to come before the actor?

It is obligatory for the objective compliment to come before the actor if:

- there is a pronoun connected to the actor that refers to the objective compliment, for example:

كرّمَ السيدُ عبدهُ (The master's slave was generous to the master.)

- the objective compliment is a connected pronoun and the actor is a noun, for example:

عذبني المرضُ (The sickness is torturing me.)

- the actor is an exceptive, for example: **ما عالجَ المريضَ إلا الطبيبُ** (Nothing can cure the disease except the doctor.)

75. When is it obligatory for the objective compliment to come before the actor and the verb?

It is obligatory for the objective compliment to come before the actor and the verb if:

- the objective compliment is one of the words that only come at the beginning of a sentence, for example a conditional noun or an interrogative noun. For example: **من رأيتَ** (Who did you see?)
- the objective compliment is a separated pronoun, for example: **إياك نعبدُ** (We worship you.)

76. Do some verbs take more than one objective compliment?

Yes, some verbs take more than one objective compliment. Most of the verbs that have the meaning of giving take more than one objective compliment. For example: **أعطى الغنيُّ الفقيرَ مالاً** (The rich person gave

the poor person money.)

Verbs of Wonder

77. How many forms of wonder verbs are there?

There are two forms of wonder verbs: **أَفْعَل** or **بِ أَفْعَلٍ**

78. What are the conditions for a verb of wonder?

The conditions for a verb of wonder are the same for comparative/superlative nouns.

79. What is the ruling of **أَفْعَل**

The ruling of the form **أَفْعَل** is that it must come after a *m* of wonder and the noun that comes after it is in the accusative state being an objective compliment. For example: **مَا أَجْمَلَ مَنْظَرَ الرَّيَاضِ** (What a beautiful view of the garden.)

80. What is the ruling of **بِ أَفْعَلٍ**

The ruling of the form **بِ أَفْعَلٍ** is that the noun after it is put into the genitive case because of the *b*' preposition. For example: **بِ أَفْعَلٍ بِمَنْظَرِ الرَّيَاضِ** (What a beautiful view of the garden.)

81. How are verbs of wonder made in the past or future tenses?

The verb of wonder is put into the past tense by adding a **كَانَ** between the *m* of wonder and the **أَفْعَل** form. For example: **مَا كَانَ أَحْسَنَ مَنْظَرَ الرَّيَاضِ** (What a beautiful view of the garden it was.) The verb of wonder is put into the future tense by adding a **يَكُونُ** between the *m* of wonder and the **أَفْعَل** form. For example: **مَا يَكُونُ أَحْسَنَ مَنْظَرَ الرَّيَاضِ** (What a beautiful view of the garden it will be.)

Ishtighal

82. What is *ishtighal*?

Ishtighal is a noun that comes before the verb that is affected by a pronoun which refers to the first noun. For example: **الْكِتَابَ قَرَأْتُهُ** (The book, I read it.)

83. What is the noun that comes first called?

The noun that comes first is called the noun of *ishtighal*.

84. When is it obligatory to put the noun of *ishtighal* in the accusative case?

It is obligatory to put the noun of *ishtighal* in the accusative case if it comes after:

- a conditional word, for example; **إِنَّ الْعِلْمَ خَدَمْتُهُ فَأَحْسِنَ إِلَيْهِ** (Verily, I put myself in the service of knowledge and it did good to me.)
- after **أَلَا** , for example: **أَلَا التَّلْمِيزَ الْمَجْتَهِدَ تَكَافِئُونَهُ** (Why don't you be like the striving student?)
- after **هَلَا** , for example: **هَلَا خَيْرَ نَفْسِكَ تَرِيدُهُ** (The best for yourself, don't you want it?)
- after **هَل** , for example: **هَلْ سَلِيمًا أَهْنَتَهُ** (Did you disrespect Salim?)

85. What function does the noun of *ishtighal* have if it is in the accusative case?

If the noun of *ishtighal* is in the accusative case it is an objective compliment of an implied verb which is explained by the mentioned verb. For example: **هَلِ النَّمْرَ أَكَلْتَهُ؟** (The date, did you eat it?) was really: **هَلْ أَكَلْتُ النَّمْرَ أَكَلْتَهُ؟**

86. When is it obligatory to put the noun of *ishtighal* in the nominative case?

It is obligatory to put the noun of *ishtighal* in the nominative case if it comes:

- after **إِذَا** , for example: **دَخَلْتُ الْبَيْتَ فَإِذَا الْوَلَدُ يُؤَيِّخُهُ أَبُوهُ** (I entered the house, and all of a sudden there was a father who was scolding his son.)
- after a **h** accusative **h**, for example: **سَافَرْتُ وَالشَّعْبُ يَنْهَاهُ الْخَطِيبُ عَنِ الْحَرْبِ** (I traveled while the youth, the speaker was forbidding him from war.)
- before conditional words, interrogative words, **هَلَا** , **أَلَا** , the inchoative **l**, the negative **m**, the informative **kam**, the annular prepositions, and conjuncts.

87. What function does the noun of *ishtighal* have if it is in the nominative case?

If the noun of *ishtighal* is in the nominative case it is an inchoative and the verbal sentence after it is the predicate in the nominative case.

88. When is it permissible to put the noun of *ishtighal* in the accusative or nominative cases?

It is permissible to put the noun of *ishtighal* in the accusative or nominative cases in any other case that was not mentioned. For example: **التَّفَاحَةَ أَكَلْتُهَا** (The apple, I ate it.)

Cognate Accusative

89. What is a cognate accusative?

A cognate accusative is an infinitive mentioned after a verb from the same root as the verb for:

- emphasis: **قَتَلَ الْحَارِسُ اللَّصْرَ قَتْلًا** (The guard killed the thief, a killing.)
- explanation of the type: **اصْبِرْ صَبْرًا جَمِيلًا** (Be patient, a beautiful patience.)

- explanation of number: **دَقَّتَ السَّاعَةُ دَقَّتَيْنِ** (The watch ticked twice.)

90. What word can take the place of a cognate accusative if it is used for emphasis?

If the cognate accusative is used for emphasis it can be replaced by a synonym. For example:

قُمْتُ وَقُوفًا (I stood up, a standing.)

91. What words can take the place of a cognate accusative if it is used for explanation?

If the cognate accusative is used for explanation it can be replaced by:

- an adjective: **أَذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا** (Remember Allah a lot.)
- the words **كل** or **الْمِيلِ**: **بعض: مال كل الميل** (He inclined a full inclination.)
- demonstrative pronouns: **قال ذلك القول** (He said those words.)
- numbers: **جُلِدَ السَّارِقُ عَشْرَ جَلْدَاتٍ** (The thief was whipped ten whips.)
- tools: **ضَرَبْتُهُ سَوْطًا** (I hit him, whipping.)

Adverbial Qualification

92. What is an adverbial qualification?

An adverbial qualification is an infinitive which is mentioned after the verb in order to describe the cause of the verb. For example: **وَقَفَ الْجُنْدُ إِجْلَالًا لِلْإِمِيرِ** (The army stopped in order to respect the commander.)

93. Is an adverbial qualification always in the accusative state?

The adverbial qualification can either be:

- in the accusative state with the accusative sign, for example: **هربتُ خوفاً** (I fled out of fear.) This is usually the case when the infinitive does not have an *alif-lam* and is not prefixed to another word.
- in the accusative state with the genitive sign, for example: **ضربتُ ولدي لتأديبه** (I hit my son to teach him manners.) This is usually the case when the infinitive does have an *alif-lam* and is prefixed to another word.

Adverbial Qualification of Time and Place

94. What is an adverbial qualification of time and place?

An adverbial qualification of time and place is a noun mentioned to describe the time or place of the action. For example: **حَضَرْتُ صَبَاحاً أَمَامَ الْمَعْلَمِ** (I was present in the morning in front of the teacher.)

95. How many kinds of adverbial qualifications of time and place are there?

There are two kinds of adverbial qualifications: time or place.

96. Are all of the adverbial nouns indeclinable?

No, there are some adverbial nouns of time and place that can be used as an adverb and as other than an adverb. Examples of these are: **يوم و مكان** . These adverbs are declinable. Then there are some adverbs which can only be used as adverbial nouns, for example: **لَدُنْ ، بَعْدَ ، عِنْدَ ، قَبْلَ** . These adverbs are indeclinable.

97. Does an adverbial noun of time or place need to refer to something?

An adverbial noun of time or place must always refer to either a verb or a noun that is similar to a verb (infinitive, active participle form, passive participle form, adjectives that are similar to verbs, and superlative/comparative forms). For example: **جِئْتُ صَبَاحاً** (I came in the morning.) In this sentence 'morning' refers to the verb 'came.'

98. What are the adverbial nouns of time that are able to be put into the accusative state?

The adverbial nouns of time that can be put in the accusative case are the adverbial nouns of time that can be used as adverbs and other than adverbs. There are two conditions of this, one that the noun refer to a verb or a noun that is like a verb and two that the meaning of 'in' is implied. For example: **سافرتُ شهراً** (I traveled for a month.)

99. What are the adverbial nouns of place that are able to be put into the accusative state?

The adverbial nouns of place that can be put in the accusative case are the adverbial nouns of place that can be used as adverbs and other than adverbs. There are two conditions of this, one that the noun refer to a verb or a noun that is like a verb and two that the meaning of 'in' is implied. For example: **قف يمينك** (Stop [in the direction of] your right side.)

100. Mention some adverbial nouns of place that are able to be put into the accusative state.

Some of the adverbial nouns of place that can be put in the accusative case are:

- The six directions: **أمام** (front), **وراء** (behind), **يمين** (right), **يسار** (left), **فوق** (above), **تحت** (below)
- Distance and weight: **ميل** (mile), **كيلو** (kilo)

101. What represents an adverbial noun of time or place?

The following words represent an adverbial noun of time or place:

- Infinitives: **جِئْتُ طُلُوعَ الشَّمْسِ** (I came at sunrise.)
- Adjectives: **نُمتُ طويلاً** (I slept for a long time.)
- Numbers: **سرتُ خمسةَ أَيَّامٍ** (I traveled for five days.)

- Demonstrative pronouns: وَقَفْتُ تِلْكَ النَّاحِيَةَ (I stayed in that area.)
- Quantity words such as كل or النَّهَارُ كُلُّهُ: مَشَيْتُ كُلَّ النَّهَارِ (I walked the whole day.)

The M^ʿ Accusative

102. What is the *m^ʿ* accusative?

The *m^ʿ* accusative is a noun in the accusative state mentioned after a *w^ʿ* that has the meaning of with. For example: مَاتَ الْمَرِيضُ وَ طُلُوعَ الشَّمْسِ (The patient died with the rising of the sun.)

103. What are the conditions of the *m^ʿ* accusative?

The conditions for the *m^ʿ* accusative is that it is preceded by:

- A verbal sentence: سِرَّ وَ الشَّارِعَ (Travel by the street.)
- Or, the interrogative *m^ʿ*: مَا شَأْنُكَ وَ أَخَاهُ (What is your status with his brother?)
- Or, the interrogative *kayf*: كَيْفَ أَنْتَ وَ الْعِلْمَ (How are you with respects to knowledge?)

Exceptive

104. What is an exceptive?

An exceptive is a noun mentioned after *إِلا* or its sisters and is in opposition to what was mentioned before it. For example: خَرَجَ التَّلَامِذَةُ مِنَ الْمَدْرَسَةِ إِلا خَالِدًا (The students left the school, except Kh^ʿlid.)

105. What are the sisters of *إِلا*?

There are five sisters of *إِلا*: غَيْرَ، سِوَى، عَدَا، خَلَا، وَ حَاشَا

106. When is it obligatory to put the exceptive of *إِلا* in the accusative case?

It is obligatory to put the exceptive of *إِلا* in the accusative case when the sentence before *إِلا* is a complete positive sentence. For example: يَعِيشُ النَّاسُ بِرَاحَةٍ إِلا الْكَسْلَانَ (The people live in comfort except lazy people.)

107. When is it permissible to put the exceptive of *إِلا* in the accusative case?

It is permissible to put the exceptive of *إِلا* in the accusative state or to have it follow the word it is an exceptive of if the sentence before the *إِلا* is complete and negative. For example: مَا نَجَحَ الطَّلَابُ إِلا إِبْرَاهِيمَ أَوْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ (The students did not succeed except Abraham.)

108. When is the state of the exceptive of **إِلا** determined by what comes before it?

The state of the exceptive of **إِلا** is determined by what comes before it when the sentence before the **إِلا** is an incomplete sentence. For example: **ما جاءَ إِلا سَليماً** (Nobody came except Salim.)

109. What is the ruling of an exceptive of **غَير** or **سَوى** ?

The ruling regarding the exceptives of **غَير** and **سَوى** is that it is always in the genitive state being a compliment of a prefixed noun. But the words **غَير** and **سَوى** have the same rules as the exceptive of **إِلا**. For example: **نَجحَ الطالِبُ غَيرَ الكِسانِ** (The students succeed except lazy ones.), or **ما نَجحَ عَيرُ المَجتَهِدِ** (Nobody succeeds except the striver.)

110. What is the ruling of an exceptive of **عَدا** , **خَلا** , or **حاشا**

عَدا , **خَلا** , and **حاشا** are:

- prepositions and whatever comes after them is in the genitive state, for example:

نَجحَ الطالِبُ عَدا الكِسانِ

- verbs and whatever comes after them is in the accusative state being the objective compliment, for example: **نَجحَ الطالِبُ ما عَدا الكِسانِ** . they are always verbs if preceded by a infinitive **م**.

H^{٤٤} Accusative

111. What is a **h^{٤٤}** accusative?

A **h^{٤٤}** accusative is a noun mentioned after a complete sentence in order to describe the state of the actor, the objective compliment, or the prefixed noun when the verb took place. The noun can be replaced by a nominal sentence. For example: **جاءَ القائدُ ظافراً** (The leader came in a state of victory.)

112. How many types of **h^{٤٤}** accusatives are there?

There are three types of **h^{٤٤}** accusatives:

- Single: **جاءَ القائدُ ظافراً**
- Sentence: **أَطَلِبُ العِلْمَ و أنتَ فتى** (Seek knowledge while you are young.)
- Fragment: **رَأيتُ الهلالَ بَينَ السحابِ** (I saw the crescent moon in between the clouds.)

113. What is the condition of the singular **h^{٤٤}** accusative and what it refers to?

The condition of a singular **h^{٤٤}** accusative is that it must be a non-apalistic indefinite noun and what it refers to must be definite. For example: **زرتُ الحَيَّ عامراً** (I visited the village while it was flourishing)

114. When is the **h^{٤٤}** accusative a singular definite noun?

A singular **h^{٤٤}** accusative is definite if it can be explained as being indefinite. For example:

جاء التلميذُ وحدهُ (The student came alone.)

115. When is the h_{acc} accusative a singular apalistic noun?

The singular h_{acc} accusative is apalistic if it can be explained as a word derived from something. For example: كَرَّ عَلَيَّ أُسْداً ('Al returned like a lion.)

116. How many kinds of h_{acc} sentences are there?

There are two types of h_{acc} sentences: nominal and verbal.

117. What is the h_{acc} sentence conditional on?

The condition of the h_{acc} sentence is that it must have a connection with what it refers to either by:

- a pronoun, if it is a verbal sentence and it refers to a definite noun. For example: جاء الغلامُ يركضُ (The servant came riding [an animal].)
- a w_{acc} of h_{acc} , if it is a nominal sentence. For example: خَرَجُوا مِنْ دِيَارِهِمْ وَهُمْ أُلُوفٌ (They left their homes while they were in thousands.)

Specificative

118. What is a specificative?

A specificative is a noun in the accusative state which explains the goal of an unclear word that comes before it. For example: إشتريتُ رطلاً زيتاً (I bought a bucket of oil.)

119. How many types of specificatives are there?

There are two types of specificatives:

- essential specificatives, which clear up an unclear noun, for example: إشتريتُ رطلاً عسلاً (I bought a bucket of honey.)
- relative specificatives, which clear up an unclear sentence, for example: طابَ التلميذُ نفساً (The student was clean, himself.)

120. How many types of words precede a specificative in the accusative state?

The words that precede a specificative in the accusative state are:

- words that denote weight, إشتريتُ رطلاً سمناً (I bought a bucket of lard.)
- words that denote volume or weight of grains, إشتريتُ مُدّاً قمحاً (I bought a *mudd*1 of wheat.)
- Words that denote area, إشتريتُ ذراعاً أرضاً (I bought a *dhir*15 of land.)
- Numbers from 11 to 99, إشتريتُ عشرين كتاباً (I bought 20 books.)

121. Is it permissible for a specificative to be in a state other than the accusative state?

It is permissible to put the specificative of a weight, volume, or area:

- in the genitive case as a compliment to a prefixed noun, اشتریتُ رطلَ سمنٍ (I bought a bucket of lard.)
- in the genitive case with the preposition *min*, اشتریتُ رطلاً من سمنٍ (I bought a bucket of lard.)

1. An ancient form of measurement.

Vocative

122. What is a vocative?

A vocative is a noun that is brought to the listeners attention by a vocative preposition that represents the verb 'I call.' For example: يا رَجُلُ (O' man.)

123. How many vocative prepositions are there?

There are four vocative prepositions: يا ، أيا ، أَيْ ، أ

124. What forms does the vocative take?

A vocative can be:

- a proper noun, يا يوسفُ
- an intended indefinite noun, يا ثعلبُ (O' fox.)
- a non-intended indefinite noun, يا غافلاً (O' unaware person.)
- something similar to a prefixed noun and its compliment, يا عاملاً للخير (O' worker of good.)

125. What states does the vocative take?

There are two states for vocatives: indeclinable on the nominative sign and the accusative state.

126. When is the vocative indeclinable upon the nominative sign?

The vocative is made indeclinable on the nominative sign if it is a proper noun or an intended indefinite noun.

127. When is the vocative in the accusative state?

The vocative is put into the accusative state if it is a non-intended indefinite noun, a prefixed noun, for example: يا عبدَ اللهِ , or an intended indefinite noun that is followed by an adjective, for example:

يا رجلاً شريفاً (O' dignified man.)

128. How is a vocative with the *alif-lam* suffix formed?

A vocative that has the *alif-lam* suffix is put in the nominative state and preceded by:

- **أَيُّهَا** or **يَا أَيُّهَا الْمَسَافِرُ** , **أَيَّتَهَا** (O' traveler.)
- A demonstrative pronoun, **يَا هَذَا الثَّعْلَبُ** (O' this fox.)

129. What state does a noun after **أَيُّهَا** or **أَيَّتَهَا** have?

The word that comes after **أَيُّهَا** or **أَيَّتَهَا** is:

- a substitute if it is apolistic, **يَا أَيُّهَا الرَّجُلُ**
- an adjective if it is non-apolistic, **يَا أَيُّهَا الْفَاضِلُ** (O' honored person.)

130. How is the word Allah made into a vocative?

Sometimes the word Allah is put into the vocative form by using one of the vocative prepositions, for example: **يَا اللَّهُ** . Sometimes it is put into the vocative form by adding a doubled *mim* to the end of Allah, for example: **اللَّهُمَّ**

Jar Prepositions

131. How many *jar* prepositions are there?

There are fourteen *jar* prepositions: **مِنْ ، إِلَى ، عَنْ ، فِي ، رَبِّ ، الْبَاءَ ، الْكَافَ ، اللَّامَ ، وَאו الْقَسَمَ ، تاء الْقَسَمَ ، حَتَّى ، عَلَيَّ ، مُذْ ، مُنْذُ ، عَلَى**

132. Do all of these prepositions precede nouns in the same way?

No, there are two categories of *jar* prepositions:

- those that precede apparent and implied nouns: **الْبَاءَ ، اللَّامَ ، فِي ، عَلَى ، عَنْ ، إِلَى ، مِنْ**
- those that only precede apparent nouns: **رَبِّ ، مُذْ ، مُنْذُ ، حَتَّى ، الْكَافَ ، وَאו الْقَسَمَ ، تاء الْقَسَمَ**

133. What does **رَبِّ** precede?

رَبِّ precedes indefinite nouns that have an adjective. For example: **رَبِّ رَجُلٍ كَرِيمٍ لَقِيْتُهُ**

134. What does *tā'* precede?

The *tā'* precedes the word Allah, for example: **تَاللَّهِ**

135. Do *jar* prepositions have to refer to something?

Yes, *jar* prepositions have to refer to something. They can either refer to apparent verbs or words that are similar to verbs, for example: **وَضَعْتُ الْكِتَابَ عَلَى الطَّائِلَةِ** (I put the book on the table.) Or, they can refer to implied verbs, for example: **الْكِتَابُ عَلَى الطَّائِلَةِ** (The book is on the table.)

Compliments to Prefixed Nouns

136. What is a compliment to a prefixed noun?

A compliment to a prefixed noun is a noun that is related to the noun before it. For example:

خادم الأمير (The commander's servant).

137. What is the rule regarding a prefixed noun if it has the *alif-lām* suffix?

The *alif-lām* suffix is erased from prefixed nouns. For example: كتابُ المعلم (The teacher's book).

138. What is the rule regarding a prefixed noun if it has nunation?

The nunation is erased from prefixed nouns. For example: سورُ المدينة (The city's wall).

139. What is the rule regarding a prefixed noun if it is in the dual form or a sound masculine plural?

The *nūn* is erased from prefixed nouns if it is in the dual or sound masculine plural forms. For example: يَدَا الرَّجُل (The man's two hands).

140. When is it permissible to add the *alif-lām* suffix to a prefixed noun?

It is permissible to add the *alif-lām* suffix to a prefixed noun if it is an adjective (active participles, passive participles, adjectives that are similar to verbs, comparatives, and superlatives) in the dual or sound masculine plural form. For example: الفاتحا دمشقَ خالدٌ و أبو عُبَيْدَةَ (The two conquerors of Damascus are Khalid and Abū 'Ubaydah.) Or, if the prefixed noun is an adjective and the compliment to the prefixed noun is made definite by the *alif-lām* suffix, for example:

المتَّبِعُ الحَقِّ مَنْصُورٌ (He who follows the truth will be helped.)

Adjectives

141. What is an adjective?

An adjective is a word that describes a characteristic found in the word before it. For example:

جاءَ التلميذُ المجتهدُ (The striving student came.)

142. How many types of adjectives are there?

There are two types of adjectives: essential and non-essential.

143. What is an essential adjective?

An essential adjective indicates a characteristic that is in the described word. For example:

جاءَ الرجلُ العاقلُ (The rational man came.)

144. What is the ruling regarding an essential adjective?

An essential adjective follows the described word in:

- being definite or indefinite: الثوبُ الممزقُ (torn clothes)
- being masculine or feminine: ولدٌ مهذبٌ (well-behaved child)
- being singular, dual, or plural: عاملانِ ماهرانِ (two skilled workers)
- the state of the word: عاملينِ ماهرينِ (two skilled workers)

145. What is a non-essential adjective?

A non-essential adjective indicates a characteristic of a word that follows the described word. For example: جاء الرجلُ الكثيرُ مالهُ (The man who has a lot of money came.)

146. What is the ruling regarding a non-essential adjective?

A non-essential adjective is

- always singular: رأيتُ الولدينِ الممزقَ ثوبُهُما (I saw two children with torn clothes)
- follows the word after it in being masculine or feminine: رأيتُ الغلامَ المهذبَ أختهُ (I saw a servant whose sister was well behaved.)
- follows the described word in being definite or indefinite and the state that the described word has: رأيتُ غلاماً عالماً أمهُ (I saw a servant whose mother was a scholar.)

147. What state does the word that comes after a non-essential adjective have?

The word that comes after the non-essential adjective is:

- an actor in the nominative state if the non-essential adjective is an active participle noun or an adjective that is similar to a verb: رأيتُ غلاماً عالماً أمهُ (I saw a servant whose mother was a scholar.)
- a subject of the predication if the non-essential adjective is a passive participle:

رأيتُ الولدينِ الممزقَ ثوبُهُما

148. When is a sentence or fragment considered an adjective?

A sentence or fragment can be an adjective only after an indefinite word, for example:

سمعتُ شاعراً يُنشدُ (I heard a poet reciting poetry.)

Conjunctions

149. What is a conjunction?

A conjunction is making a word follow another one by using a preposition. For example:

كَسَرْتُ الْقَلَمَ وَ الدَّوَاةَ (I broke the pen and ink bottle.)

150. How many conjunctive prepositions are there?

There are nine conjunctive prepositions: الواو ، الفاء ، ثُمَّ ، أو ، أم ، لكن ، لا ، بل ، حتَّى

151. Are conjunctions used between all kinds of words?

Conjunctions are used between nouns, for example: جاءَ الكريمُ و البخيلُ (The generous person and the stingy person came.) and between verbs, for example: قامَ الرجلُ و سجدَ (The man stood up and prostrated.)

152. How is a conjunction used with pronouns?

If the pronoun is implied it must be emphasized by a separated pronoun before the conjunction. For example: جاءَ هو و أبوه (He and his father came.)

153. How is a conjunction used with connected pronouns in the nominative state?

If the pronoun is a connected pronoun in the nominative state it must be emphasized by a separate pronoun before the conjunction, for example: جئتَ أنتَ و أخوكَ (You and your brother came.)

154. How is a conjunction used with connected pronouns in the genitive state?

If the pronoun is a connected pronoun in the genitive state the reason for it being in the genitive state (the genitive preposition or the prefixed noun) must be repeated before the word after the conjunct. For example: سلَّمتُ عليه و على أخيه (I greeted him and his brother.)

Emphasis

155. What is emphasis?

An emphasis is a word that follows what it emphasizes. For example: جاءَ يوسفُ نفسه (Yusef came himself.)

156. How many types of emphasis are there?

There are two types of emphasis: literated and unliterated.

157. What do we do if we want to use a literated emphasis?

If we want to use a literated emphasis we must repeat the word that we want to emphasize. For example:

- with nouns: جاءَ الصيفُ الصيفُ (Summer came, summer.)
- with verbs: جاءَ جاءَ الصيفُ (Summer came, it came.)

- with prepositions: نَعَمْ نَعَمْ (Yes, yes.)
- with sentences: طَلَعَ النَّهَارُ طَلَعَ النَّهَارُ (Noon arrived. Noon arrived.)

158. What do we do if we want to use an unliteral emphasis?

If we want to use unliteral emphasis we must use one of the following eight words: نَفْس ، عَيْن ، كِلَا ، كِلْتَا . It is obligatory to add a pronoun to these words which follows the emphasized word. For example: جَاءَ الْأَمِيرُ عَيْنَهُ (The commander came, himself.)

159. What do كِلَا and كِلْتَا emphasize?

كِلَا and كِلْتَا emphasize words in the dual form. For example: أَكْرِمِ وَالِدَيْكَ كِلَيْهِمَا (Respect your parents, both of them.)

Substitutes

160. What is a substitute?

A substitute follows what it indicates. For example: جَاءَ يَوْسُفُ أَخُوكَ (Joseph, your brother, came.)

161. How many types of substitutes are there?

There are three types of substitutes: substitutes of the whole, substitutes of the part, substitutes of implication.

162. What is a substitute of the whole?

A substitute of the whole indicates the indicated word completely, for example: أَخُوكَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ صَدِيقُنَا (Your brother, Abraham, is our friend.)

163. What is a substitute of the part?

A substitute of the part indicates part of the indicated word, for example: سَقَطَ الْبَيْتُ سَقْفُهُ (The house, its ceiling, fell.)

164. What is a substitute of implication?

A substitute of implication indicates an essential characteristic of the indicated word, for example: أَطْرَبَنِي الْبَلْبَلُ تَغْرِيدُهُ (I was moved by the nightingale's song.)

165. What is the condition of substitutes of the part and substitutes of implication?

The condition of the substitutes of the part and substitutes of implication is that they have to be contracted to a pronoun that refers to the indicated word. For example: قَرَأْتُ الْكِتَابَ نِصْفَهُ (I read the book, half of it.)

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