

Al-Mantiq

Lesson 48

Single and Compounds Words (2)

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اللفظ المفرد و اللفظ المركّب

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Single (مُركَّب) and Compounds (مفرد) Words

(اللفظ المفرد) Single Word

The "مغرد" is either consisted of only one part, or it has parts but its parts signify the meaning as a whole and not its parts, such as "محمّد".

(اللفظ المركّب) Compound Word

As for compound words (statements), such as "Alcohol is harmful", it is an expression whose subdivisions indicate upon similar subdivisions of the meaning. For example, the word "عبدالله" (the servant of God), when used as a proper noun, i.e. someone's name, it is a "مفرد" because "عبد" or "عبدالله" does not signify a part of the person.

There is a difference between the logicians and grammarians regarding the words like Abdullah "عبدالله".

A grammarian considers the position of the word as "ابن" has been added to "عبد" but logicians just consider the meaning.

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