

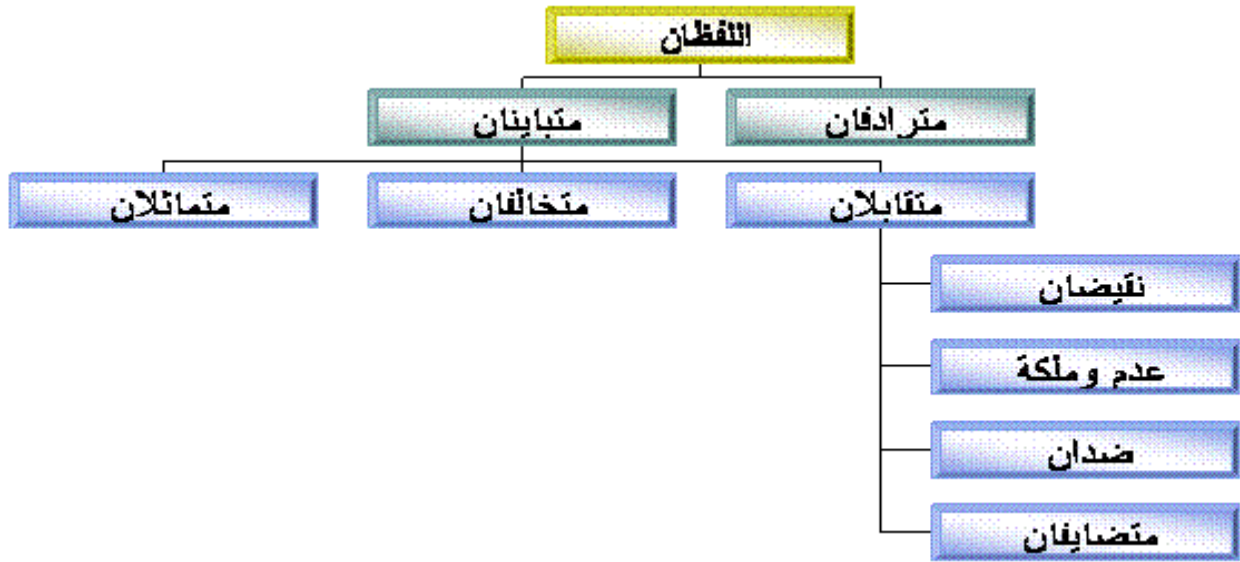


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Lesson 47

Single and Compounds Words (1)

اللفظ المفرد واللفظ المركب



Single (مفرد) and Compounds (مُرْكَب) Words

The word (regardless of being solo or many) is divided to “مفرد” and “مركب”. The “مفرد” either consists of only one part, or it has parts but its parts signify the meaning as a whole and not its parts, such as “محمد”. As for compound words (statements), such as “Alcohol is harmful”, it is an expression whose subdivisions do 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 “الله” does not signify a part of the person.

In some other cases “عبدالله” is an adjective, not a name and signifies some characteristics; it will be compound because “عبدالله” is denoting the meaning in parts.