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Lesson 3

Subject of Syntax

- The subject of the Science of Syntax is Al-Kalaam (sentence) and that which is related to it.
- Arabic poems consist of *baits* (couplets) and every *bait* has two *misras* (hemistichs).

كَلَامًا لَفْظًا مُفِيدًا كَأَنَّكَ

Commentary: "Sentence (in Syntax) is a vocal sound that is beneficial (sufficient) in a way that it is appropriate to remain silent afterward, e.g. 'Stand up'."

By the word 'مفيد' (beneficial in a way that it is appropriate to remain silent afterward), all the other types of 'لفظ' except 'كلام' are excluded from the definition of 'كلام'.

Vocal sound: (لفظ)

1. A sentence (كلام) such as 'أَسْتَقِم'
2. A word (كَلِمَة) such as 'زَيْد'
3. A combination of 3 words or more (كَلِم) such as 'إِنْ قَامَ زَيْدٌ'
4. A meaningless word (مُهْمَل) such as 'دِيز'