

Lesson 18

The Arabic letters are divided into two categories

- Sun Letters (الحروف الشمسية)
- Moon Letters (الحروف القمرية)

If a 'Moon Letters' happen to come after the article AL (ال), the Laam (ل) in the article is pronounced with Sukun.

However, if the article AL (ال) is followed by a 'Sun Letter' then the Laam (ل) will not be pronounced and the 'Sun Letter' will be pronounced with a Shaddah.

The 14 'Moon' letters are;

ا ب ج ح خ ع غ ف ق ك م ه و ي

The 14 'Sun' letters are;

ت ث د ذ ر ز س ش ص ض ط ظ ل
ن

Stopping on Words [Waqf (الوقف)] is of four kinds

- Waqf al-Ibdaal
- Waqf al-Iskaan
- Waqf bila Taghir

Cases of Waqf al-Ibdaal

- When ending on 'Taa al-Marbutah' (ة), it (ة) changes to (ه) which is Sakin
- Stopping on the Tanween of Fatha except if on 'Taa al-Marbutah' (ة) → changes to a normal Madd