



## *Al-Mantiq*

### Lesson 4

#### Definition of Knowledge (علم)

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**Knowledge is defined as:** “The presence of something’s image in the intellect”.

#### **There are four stages of perception and knowledge:**

1. The Sensual knowledge (العلم الحسى)
2. The Imaginary knowledge (العلم الخيالى)
3. The Estimative *knowledge* (العلم الوهمى)
4. The Perfect knowledge (العلم الاكمل)

At the fourth stage humans separate from the animals.

#### **The Difference between Immediate and Acquired Knowledge**

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When the known itself is present in the owner of knowledge, it is called *al-ilm al-hoduri* (knowledge by presence or immediate knowledge) and if not, it’s called *al-ilm al-hosuli* (acquired knowledge).

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