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## *Al-Mantiq*

### Lesson 42

## The Divisions of Words (2)

### The Divisions of Dissonant Words

تقسيمات الألفاظ (أقسام التباين)

“مثلان”: There is a commonality between two dissonant words, taken into consideration; such as Ali and Reza.

“متقابلان”: They oppose each other and they cannot get together in one thing, at the same time and from the same aspect; such as existent and nonexistent, white and black, father and son, or warm and cold.

“متخالفان”: They can be predicated upon one thing at the same time, from the same aspect, if they are adjectives; such as nice *and* happy.

#### Divisions of two different words (متخالفان)

1. Difference in persons e.g. Mohammad and Jafar, though they are same species, but this commonality is not taken into consideration.
2. Difference in species, e.g. human and horse, though they are same in genus.
3. Difference in genus, although they have the same characteristics; such as snow and cotton are similar in whiteness but different in genus.

#### Types of “مثلان” in brief:

متماثلان: Similarity on the level of species (نوع) such as Muhammad and Ja`far.

متجانسان: Similarity on the level of the genus (جنس) such as human beings and horses.

متساويان: Commonality in their measure and quantity.

متشابهان: Commonality in their quality.