



Al-Mantiq

Lesson 59

The Primary Predication and the Common Secondary predication

الحمل الأولي و الحمل الشايع

الحمل (Predication)

- الحمل الأولي (Primary Predication)

When something gets predicated upon a thing, if the predicate is upon the concept alone, such as “الإنسان: حيوان ناطق”; then it is called “الحمل الأولي”.

- الحمل الشايع (Common (secondary) Predication)

If the purpose of predication is the instances rather than the concept itself, such as in “الإنسان ضاحك” (human laughs), then the concept is called “عنوان”, the instance “مُعَنُونَ” and the predication “الحمل الشايع”.

For example:

The grammarians say, “Verb cannot be the subject of predication.” If one said, “This is itself a predication on verb!”, the answer would be that the subject here is just an “عنوان” and it is the instances (معنون) that are intended, so the predication is just a “الحمل الشايع”.