

الدَّرْسُ الْأَوَّلُ (١)

This is a house

هَذَا بَيْتٌ

Letter to bring to attention or alert

هَـ - حَرْفٌ لِلتَّنْبِيهِ

حَرْفٌ لِلتَّنْبِيهِ is a letter that is used to alert or to bring to attention the person who is being addressed and it is mostly connected to أَسْمَاءُ الْإِشَارَةِ (nouns of indication).

ذَ - اسْمٌ الْإِشَارَةِ noun of indication

هَذَا is pronounced as هَذَا, but it is written without the first alif.

The اسْمٌ الْإِشَارَةِ is used to point or indicate to people, animals, objects things which can be felt or touched and can also indicate to things that have meaning such as رَأْيٌ 'opinion' or عِلْمٌ 'knowledge'.

This is beneficial knowledge

هَذَا عِلْمٌ نَافِعٌ

The table below shows the properties of the اسْمُ الْإِشَارَةِ (هَذَا)

<i>Indicates, points to</i>	الإِشَارَةُ إِلَى
the near	الْقَرِيبُ
The masculine	الْمُذَكَّرُ
the singular	الْمُفْرَدُ

The اسْمُ الْإِشَارَةِ is مَعْرِفَةٌ (definite).

It can be used to indicate or point to those possessing intellect عَاقِلٌ or things that do not possess intellect غَيْرُ عَاقِلٍ.

Interrogative or Questioning Noun مَا - اسْمٌ إِسْتِفْهَامٌ

The Interrogative Noun 'مَا' is used to ask a question about something that does not possess intellect غَيْرُ عَاقِلٍ and it always comes at the beginning of a sentence. When a word comes at the beginning of a sentence it is called in Arabic صَدْرُ الْجُمْلَةِ.

What is this? مَا هَذَا؟

أ- حَرْفُ الْإِسْتِفْهَامِ ، هَمْزَةُ الْإِسْتِفْهَامِ

Particle/Letter of interrogation or questioning or also known as the Interrogative Hamzah.

The هَمْزَةُ الْإِسْتِفْهَامِ comes at the beginning of the sentence as do all the nouns or particles of questioning. It can be used to ask a question about those possessing intellect as well as the things that do not possess intellect.

Is this a house? أ هَذَا بَيْتٌ؟

Is this a boy? أ هَذَا وَلَدٌ؟

Letter of answer or reply نَعَمْ - حَرْفُ جَوَابٍ

Letter/particle of answer and negation لَا - حَرْفُ جَوَابٍ وَ نَفْيٍ

The particle of reply نَعَمْ is used to reply to a question with affirmation whereas the particle لَا is used to reply to a question with negation.

Is this a pen? أ هَذَا قَلَمٌ؟

Yes this is a pen نَعَمْ، هَذَا قَلَمٌ.

Is this a shirt? أ هَذَا قَمِيصٌ؟

No, this is a pen. لَا، هَذَا قَلَمٌ؟

Noun of interrogation/questioning مَنْ - اسْمُ الْإِسْتِفْهَامِ

This interrogative noun is used to ask a question about those who possess intellect عَاقِلٌ

Who is this man? مَنْ هَذَا الرَّجُلُ؟

Question mark ؟ - عَلَامَةُ الْإِسْتِفْهَامِ