Introduction to Arabic Grammar

Lesson 6



أسماء الأفعال Nouns with the meanings of verbs

الْأَفْعَالِ – Isms that have the meaning of fi 'ks

<u>Definition:</u> These are *isms* that have the meaning of fi 'ls but do not accept their signs.

• Some of them have the meaning of الْفِعْلُ الْمَاضِيُ and give the إِسْمٌ after it a raf; and the one which has the meaning of الْأَمْرُ الْحَاضِرُ, gives the إِسْمٌ after it a nasb.

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آلْفِعْلُ الْمَاضِي Isms in the Meaning of

Ism	Fiʻl	Meaning	Example		
هَيْهَاتَ	بَعُدَ	he/it became far, it is far (from him)	هَيْهَاتَ زَيْدٌ أَنْ يَفْعَلَ هٰذَا	It is far from (beyond) Zayd to do this.	
شُتَّانَ	بَعُدَ وَ اِفْتَرَقَ	same as above; and what a difference, there is a difference between	شَتَّانَ بَيْنَ الْعَالِمِ وَالْجَاهِلِ	What a difference there is between the learned and the ignorant!	
سَرْعَانَ	سَرُعَ	he hastened	سَرْعَانَ زَيْدٌ	Zayd hastened.	

اسماء الأفعال Nouns with the meanings of verbs

آلأَمْرُ الْحَاضِرُ Isms in the Meaning of

Ism Fi'l		Meaning	Example	
رُوَيْدَ	أُمْهِلْ	Give respite!	رُوَيْدَ زَيْدًا	Give Zayd respite.
بَلْهَ	دَعْ	Leave!; Give up!	بَلْهُ التَّفَكُّرَ فِيْمَا لَا	Give up thinking about
			يَعْنِيْكَ	that which does not concern you.
دُوْنَكَ — هَا	خُذْ	Take!	دُوْنَكَ اللَّبَنَ	Take the milk.
دُوْنَكَ — هَا عَلَيْكَ	اِلْزَمْ	Hold on to (it)!; (It is) incumbent on you	عَلَيْكَ بِسُنَّتِيْ	Hold on to my Sunnah.
حَيَّهَلْ – حَيَّ كَيُّهَلُّ – هَلُمَّ	اِئْتِ — عَجِّلْ - أَقْبِلْ	Come!; Hasten!	حَيَّ عَلَى الصَّلَاةِ	Come to salah.

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Notes:

1. There are some other *isms* which have the meaning of *fi'ls*. These are as follows:

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- 2. Some of these isms are inflectable (مُتَصَرِّفٌ), i.e. their form changes.
 - هَاتِيْنَ هَاتِيَا هَاتِيْ هَاتُوْا هَاتِيَا هَاتِيَا هَاتِيَا هَاتِيَا هَاتِيَا
 - قُلْ هَاتُوْا بُرْهْنَكُمْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ صَدِقِيْنَ e.g.

Say: bring your proof, if you are truthful.

- ii. تَعَالَيْنَ تَعَالَيْا تَعَالَيْ تَعَالَوْا تَعَالَيا تَعَالَ اللهُ تَعَالَىٰ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ
 - e.g. ²¹ قُلْ يَأَهْلَ الْكِتٰبِ تَعَالَوْا إِلَى كَلِمَةٍ...الآية Say: O people of the book! Come to a word...
 - e.g. (القرآن) فَتَعَالَيْنَ أُمَتِّعْكُنَّ وَأُسَرِّحْكُنَّ سَرَاحًا جَمِيْلًا (القرآن)
 Then, come, I will make provision for you and release you with kindness.

أسماء الأصوات Nouns that Denote a Sound

Isms that denote a sound أَشْمَاءُ الْأَصْوَاتِ

أُحْ أُحْ To denote a cough.

To denote pain.

ر نج الخ To denote happiness, pleasure.

To make a camel sit.

غَاقَ To denote the cawing of a crow.

Adverbs – اَلظُّرُوفُ

<u>Definition:</u> An اِسْمُ ظُرُفِ is an اِسْمُ ظُرُفِ which gives us an idea of the place or time when (or where) some work is done. It is also called مَفْعُوْلٌ فِيْدِ.

are of two kinds: ظَرُفُ الزَّمَانِ (adverb of time) and ظَرُوفٌ (the adverb of place).

- (when) إِذْ
 - It gives the meaning of المَاضِيُ even when it appears before
 - The sentence after إِذْ could be a جُمْلَةٌ اِسْمِيَّةٌ or a جُمْلَةٌ اِسْمِيَّةٌ
 - e.g. وَاذْكُرُوْا إِذْ أَنْتُمْ قَلِيْلٌ Remember when you were less.
 - e.g. وَإِذْ يَرْفَعُ إِبْرَهِيْمُ الْقَوَاعِدَ مِنَ الْبَيْتِ
 And when Ibrahim (Allah give him peace) was raising the foundation of the House (Ka'ba).

- Sometimes, it gives the meaning of suddenness (مُفَاجَأَةٌ). This is called
 - e.g. خَرَجْتُ إِذْ مُدِيْرُ الْمَدْرَسَةِ نَاظِرٌ I came out and suddenly (encountered) the principal of the school watching.
- Sometimes, it gives the meaning of because (لِأَنَّ). This is called
 - e.g. (القرآن) الْيَوْمَ إِذْ ظَلَمْتُمْ أَنَّكُمْ فِي الْعَذَابِ مُشْتَرِكُوْنَ (القرآن)

That you are together in punishment will never benefit you today because you oppressed.

[This is according to one translation.]

- 2. إِذَا (when/if)
 - It gives the meaning of مُضَارِعٌ even when it appears before
 - It gives the meaning of شَرْطٌ and جَزَاءٌ but does not give either a جَزَاءٌ
 - The sentence after أَمْلَةٌ فِعْلِيَّةٌ or preferably a جُمْلَةٌ اِسْمِيَّةٌ or preferably a إِذَا
 - e.g. الشَّمْسُ طَالِعَةٌ I will come to you when the sun is up.
 - e.g. إِذَا نَزَلَ الْمَطَّرُ فَارْجِعْ إِلَى الْبَيْتِ If it rains, return home.

- e.g. إِذَا جَاءَ نَصْرُ اللهِ وَالْفَتْحُ وَرَأَيْتَ النَّاسَ يَدْخُلُوْنَ فِيْ دِيْنِ اللهِ أَفْوَاجاً فَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ وَاسْتَغْفِرْهُ When the victory of Allah comes and the conquest, and you see people entering into the religion of Allah in multitudes, then celebrate the praise of your Lord and seek forgiveness from Him.
- Sometimes, it gives the meaning of suddenness (مُفَاجَأَةٌ), in which case إِذَا must be followed by a جُمْلَةٌ اِسْمِيَّةٌ.
 - e.g. خَرَجْتُ فَإِذَا الْكَلْبُ وَاقِفٌ I came out and suddenly (encountered) the dog standing.

- (when)
 - It can be used as an interrogative (اِسْتِفْهَامٌ).

e.g. كمتٰى تُسَافِرُ؟ When will you travel?

. جَزْمٌ get a جَزَاءٌ and شَرْطٌ in which case the إِسْمٌ and إِسْمٌ and جَزَاءٌ get a

مَتٰى تَصُمْ أَصُمْ الصِّم e.g.

When you fast, I will fast.

It is used to enquire condition.

e.g.

الكَ؟ How are you? (In what condition are you?)

أَيَّانَ 5. (when)

It is used as an interrogative.

e.g. أَيَّانَ يَوْمُ الدِّيْن؟ When will be the day of recompense?

Note: أَيَّانَ is used only to enquire of great events of the future as compared to مَتَّى .

- 6. أَمْسِ (yesterday)
 e.g. جَاءَنِيْ زَيْدٌ أَمْسِ Zayd came to me yesterday.
- (since, for) مُنْذُ مُذْ
 - These two can be used to convey the beginning of a time period.
 e.g. مَا رَأَيْتُهُ مُنْذُ/مُذْ يَوْمِ الجُمُعَةِ
 I have not seen him since Friday.
 - They can also be used to refer to an entire time period.
 e.g. مَا رَأَيْتُهُ مُنْذُ/مُذْ يَوْمَينِ
 I have not seen him for two days.
 - These can be used as حَرْفُ جَرِّ (followed by a اِسْمٌ or as اِسْمٌ which is regarded as a مَرْفُوعٌ followed by a مُبْتَدَأٌ
 - e.g. مَا رَأَيْتُهُ مُنْذُ/مُذْ يَوْمِ الجُّمُعَةِ

 I have not seen him since Friday.

- 8. قُطُّ (not, never)
 - It is used to emphasize ٱلْمَاضِيْ ٱلْمَنْفِيُّ

e.g. مَا ضَرَبْتُهُ قَطُّ I never hit him.

- 9. عَوْضُ (never)
 - It is used to emphasize أَلْمُضَارِعُ الْمَنْفِيُّ Ît is used to emphasize

e.g. لَا أَضْرِبُهُ عَوْضُ I will never hit him.

- 10. قَبْلُ (before) بَعْدُ (after)
 - They are مُضَافٌ إِلَيهِ and the مُضَافٌ and the مُضَافٌ is mentioned.
 - e.g. مِنْ قَبْلِ الْفَتْح before the victory
 - They are مُضَافٌ إِلَيهِ and the مُضَافٌ إِلَيهِ is not mentioned, but intended.
 - e.g. (أَيْ مِنْ قَبْلِ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَمِنْ بَعْدِ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ)

 Allah's is the decision before and after (i.e. before everything and after everything).
 - e.g. (أَيْ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ) أَنَا حَاضِرٌ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ I have been present from before (i.e. before you).
 - e.g. (أَيْ بَعْدَ هٰذَا) مَتٰى جَحِيئُنَا بَعْدُ؟ (أَيْ بَعْدَ هٰذَا) When will you come after (i.e. after this)?

_ Adverbs of place:

- 1. خَيْثُ (where)
 - It is generally مُضَافٌ to a sentence.
 - e.g. اِجْلِسْ حَيْثُ زَيْدٌ جَالِسٌ Sit where Zayd is sitting.

- (behind) خَلْفُ (in front of) &
 - It has the same rules as those for بَعْدُ and عَبْلُ and ...
 - e.g. قَامَ النَّاسُ قُدَّامُ وَخَلْفُ (أَيْ قُدَّامَهُ وَخَلْفَهُ)

 The people stood in front and behind.
 (i.e. in front of him and behind him).
- 3. غُتُ (under) هُوْقُ (on top, above)
 - It has the same rules as those for قَبْلُ and عَدْدُ

4. عِنْدَ (by, at, near, with)

e.g. الْمَالُ عِنْدَ زَيْدٍ The money is with Zayd.

.مِنْ will get a *kasrah* if it is preceded by عِنْدَ

e.g. مِنْ عِنْدِ اللهِ from Allah

(where) أَيْنَ/أَنَّى (where)

• They are used for اِسْتِفْهَامٌ.

e.g. أَيْنَ تَذْهَبُ – أَيْنَ تَذْهَبُ Where are you going?

• They are used for شَرْطٌ and جَزَاءٌ will get a جَزَاءٌ .

e.g. أَيْنَ جَحْلِسْ أَجْلِسْ Where you sit, I will sit.

أَنَّى بَحُلِسْ أَجْلِسْ

6. كُلُى/لَدُنْ (at, by, near, with (same meaning as عِنْدَ)).

e.g. اَلْمَالُ لَدَى زَيْدٍ The money is with Zayd. مِنْ لَدُنْ حَكِيْمٍ خَبِيْرٍ from the All-Wise, All-Knowing

- نُدُنْ is generally preceded by كَدُنْ.
- When used in the meaning of possession (with), the difference between لَدُى/لَدُنْ is that in the case of عِنْدَ, the possessed thing must be present with the person; whereas, in the case of عِنْدَ, the possessed thing need not be present with the person.

Note: That adverb which is مُضْرَبٌ and is مُضَافٌ to a sentence or the word إِذْ could be مُضْرَبٌ عَلَى الْفَتْحِ or it could get the *i'raab* according to the عَامِلٌ .

e.g. the adverb يوم which is مُضَافٌ in the following ayahs:

هٰذَا يَوْمُ يَنْفَعُ الصَّدِقِيْنَ صِدْقُهُمْ and هٰذَا يَوْمَ يَنْفَعُ الصَّدِقِيْنَ صِدْقُهُمْ

This is the day when the truth of the truthful will benefit them.

وُجُوْهٌ يَّوْمُئِذٍ and وُجُوْهٌ يَّوْمَئِذٍ faces on that day

Nouns that Indicate an Unspecified Quantity الكنايات

الْكِنَايَاتُ – Isms that indicate an unspecified quantity

- 1. کئ، کَذَا (so many, so much, how many, how much)
 - They can be used for numbers
 - e.g. اکنْم دِرْهَمًا عِنْدَكَ؟ How many silver coins do you have?
 - e.g. أَخَذْتُ كَذَا دِرْهَمًا I took this many silver coins.
 - نَذَا is also used in the meaning of "such and such."
 - e.g. قَالَ لِيْ كَذَا وَ كَذَا وَ كَذَا وَ كَذَا وَ كَذَا

Nouns that Indicate an Unspecified Quantity الكنابات

2. کَیْتَ، ذَیْتَ (so and so, such and such)

I said such and such.

e.g. قُلْتُ كَيْتَ وَذَيْتَ or قُلْتُ كَيْتَ ذَيْتَ e.g. قُلْتُ كَيْتَ ذَيْتَ وَنَيْتَ وَذَيْتَ or فَعَلْتُ كَيْتَ ذَيْتَ

I did such and such.