

Arabic Sound Plurals – Masculine and Feminine

How to form and recognise the two standard plural types in the Quran

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How to use this quiz: watch the lesson first, then answer every question from memory before checking your notes. The vocabulary sheet at the end may be used for the translation-into-Arabic questions. When you have finished, download the Model Answers from the lesson page and mark your own work. Aim for 20/25 or better before moving on.

True or False?

1 pt each

- 1 The sound plural changes the internal shape of the singular word.

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if false, write the correct statement

- 2 The sound masculine plural is principally used for rational beings — humans, angels, and jinn.

T ☐ F ☐

if false, write the correct statement

- 3 The ending رِينَ marks rafa' in the sound masculine plural.

T ☐ F ☐

if false, write the correct statement

Multiple Choice

5 pts

- 4 To form the sound feminine plural of مُسْلِمَةٌ, what must you do FIRST? 2 pts

- (a) Add نَات directly to the word
- (b) Remove the taa' marbuuta (ة)
- (c) Place a damma on the last letter
- (d) Add the definite article ال

- 5 Which TWO of these are sound feminine plurals? 3 pts

- (a) آيَات
- (b) مُسْلِمُونَ
- (c) سَيَّارَات
- (d) مُسْلِمَانِ

Apply What You Learnt

7 pts

6 Convert each, with full endings: مُؤْمِنٌ → SMP rafa' · كَافِرٌ → SMP nasab · آيَةٌ → SFP rafa' 4 pts

7 Translate الْمُؤْمِنَاتُ صَادِقَاتٌ and name its structure. 3 pts

translation · structure · how you know

Quranic Verse

7 pts

إِنَّ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ

Surah Al-Ahzab 33:35 – “Indeed, the Muslim men and Muslim women...”

8 This verse shows both sound plural types side by side. Identify each, and state the case they are in. 4 pts

9 In رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ (Al-Fatihah 1:2) — what form is عَالَمِينَ, and why is it notable? 3 pts

In Your Own Words

3 pts

10 How can you identify a sound plural in a Quranic word you have never seen before? Give all four endings. 3 pts

Marking: points shown beside each question

Total = 25 pts

Lesson Vocabulary

sound plural	جَمْعٌ سَالِمٌ	Muslims (SMP rafa')	مُسْلِمُونَ	verses / signs	آيَاتٌ
sound masculine plural	جَمْعٌ مُذَكَّرٌ سَالِمٌ	Muslims (SMP nasab/jarr)	مُسْلِمِينَ	worlds (SMP exception)	عَالَمِينَ
sound feminine plural	جَمْعٌ مُؤَنَّثٌ سَالِمٌ	Muslim women (SFP rafa')	مُسْلِمَاتٌ		
broken plural	جَمْعٌ تَكْسِيرٌ	male believers	مُؤْمِنُونَ		

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