EXERCISE 1 · 12 POINTS

# Circle the fatha

Each row shows one letter three ways. Circle the one that has a **fatha**. (Answer key says right, middle or left box.)

NAME ..... DATE ..... STARS ☆ ☆ ☆

EXAMPLE

| سُ | سَ | سِ |
|---|---|---|

Fatha is a **slanted line on top**. Kasra sits **under** the letter, and damma is a **little curl** on top — don't mix them up!

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | بِ | بَ | بُ |
| 2 | تُ | تِ | تَ |
| 3 | دَ | دُ | دِ |
| 4 | رَ | رُ | رِ |
| 5 | سُ | سِ | سَ |
| 6 | عِ | عَ | عُ |
| 7 | فُ | فِ | فَ |
| 8 | قَ | قُ | قِ |
| 9 | لِ | لَ | لُ |
| 10 | مِ | مَ | مُ |
| 11 | نَ | نُ | نِ |
| 12 | جُ | جِ | جَ |

EXERCISE 2 · 14 POINTS

# Match syllable → sound

Draw a line from each Arabic syllable to the sound it makes. Every sound ends in “a” — that’s the fatha!

**TIP** Say each one **out loud** first, then draw a line to its sound. Look closely at the **dots** — بَ تَ ثَ only differ by their dots!

| | ARABIC | | | SOUND | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | بَ | ● | ● | na | A |
| 2 | تَ | ● | ● | ḥa | B |
| 3 | ثَ | ● | ● | ba | C |
| 4 | نَ | ● | ● | ya | D |
| 5 | يَ | ● | ● | tha | E |
| 6 | جَ | ● | ● | ja | F |
| 7 | حَ | ● | ● | ta | G |

| | ARABIC | | | SOUND | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | خَ | ● | ● | za | H |
| 9 | دَ | ● | ● | sha | I |
| 10 | ذَ | ● | ● | da | J |
| 11 | رَ | ● | ● | kha | K |
| 12 | زَ | ● | ● | sa | L |
| 13 | سَ | ● | ● | ra | M |
| 14 | شَ | ● | ● | dha | N |

EXERCISE 3 · 10 POINTS

# Read the rows

Letters that look or sound alike sit together. Take your time — and use the chart if you get stuck.

**PART A** **Read each row** right to left. Colour a star each time: **slowly** · **faster** · **all by myself**.

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | يَ | نَ | ثَ | تَ | بَ | ☆ ☆ ☆ |
| 2 | غَ | عَ | خَ | حَ | جَ | ☆ ☆ ☆ |
| 3 | وَ | زَ | رَ | ذَ | دَ | ☆ ☆ ☆ |
| 4 | | ضَ | صَ | شَ | سَ | ☆ ☆ ☆ |
| 5 | كَ | قَ | فَ | ظَ | طَ | ☆ ☆ ☆ |
| 6 | بَ | كَ | أَ | هَ | مَ | لَ ☆ ☆ ☆ |

**PART B · 10 POINTS** **Light or heavy?** Read each one. Circle the **heavy** ones — the deep, full-mouth “a”.

ظَ سَ خَ مَ طَ لَ قَ تَ صَ بَ

EXERCISE 4 · 6 POINTS

# Read the 6 words

Every letter in these words has a fatha. Put the pieces together and read real Arabic words!

EXAMPLE بَلَدَ = دَ + لَ + بَ → **ba-la-da**

Read one piece at a time, then **blend** them together. Write the sound in English letters.

**1**

كَتَبَ

بَ + تَ + كَ

SAY IT .....

*he wrote*

**2**

ذَهَبَ

بَ + هَ + ذَ

SAY IT .....

*he went*

**3**

جَلَسَ

سَ + لَ + جَ

SAY IT .....

*he sat*

**4**

فَتَحَ

حَ + تَ + فَ

SAY IT .....

*he opened*

**5**

أَكَلَ

لَ + كَ + أَ

SAY IT .....

*he ate*

**6**

خَرَجَ

جَ + رَ + خَ

SAY IT .....

*he went out*

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# Answer key

Check together, then go back to the chart for any letter that was tricky.

## 1 Circle the fatha

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 بَ middle | 2 تَ right | 3 دَ left | 4 رَ left |
| 5 سَ right | 6 عَ middle | 7 فَ right | 8 قَ left |
| 9 لَ middle | 10 مَ middle | 11 نَ left | 12 جَ right |

## 2 Match syllable → sound

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 C | 2 G | 3 E | 4 A |
| 5 D | 6 F | 7 B | 8 K |
| 9 J | 10 N | 11 M | 12 H |
| 13 L | 14 I | | |

## 3 Read the rows

1. ba · ta · tha · na · ya
2. ja · ḥa · kha · ʻa · gha
3. da · dha · ra · za · wa
4. sa · sha · ṣa · ḍa
5. ṭa · ẓa · fa · qa · ka
6. la · ma · ha · ʼa · ka · ba

**Part B — heavy (circle):**

ظَ سَ خَ مَ طَ لَ قَ تَ صَ بَ

## 4 Read the 6 words

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | كَتَبَ | kataba | *he wrote* |
| 2 | ذَهَبَ | dhahaba | *he went* |
| 3 | جَلَسَ | jalasa | *he sat* |
| 4 | فَتَحَ | fataḥa | *he opened* |
| 5 | أَكَلَ | akala | *he ate* |
| 6 | خَرَجَ | kharaja | *he went out* |

**Points:** 12 + 14 + 10 + 6 = **42**. Got 34 or more? Give yourself all three stars — you're ready for kasra next!

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