## Minimal pairs in Standard Arabic

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۶/۶	أَمَل	'amal	hope, pr. name (f.)	عَمَل	ʻamal	work
<sup>5</sup> /c	سُؤال أَه	su'aal 'ayn	question		suʿaal	cough
	این	ayn	where?	عين	<sup>c</sup> ayn	eye
Ø/s Ø/°	ص <i>َدی</i> ما	Sada maa	echo what?		Sada' maa'	rust water
غ/ر		ward	rose		waghd	scoundrel
r/gh	ضُرْط	DarT	fart	ضَغْط	DaghT	pressure, stress
7/5	حال	Haal	situation	هال	haal	cardamom
H/h	حَمْزة	Hamza	pr. name (m.)	هَمْزة	hamza	hamza (letter)
خاخ	حال	Haal	situation	خال	khaal	uncle
H/kh	حَدّ	Hadd	sharp	خَدّ	khadd	cheek
	حَوْلَ	Hawla	around	خَوْلة	khawla	pr. name (f.)
	حَلّ	Hall	solution	خَلّ	khall	vinager

ق/ك k/q	کَلْب حَكّ	kalb Hakk	dog itch		qalb Haqq	heart right, truth
ز/س s/z	سِرّ سَمِير	sirr samiir	secret pr. name (m.)	زِر زَمِیر	zirr zamiir	button honk
ص/س s/S		suura sayf as-siin	chapter (Quran) sword siin (letter)		Suura Sayf aS-Siin	picture summer China
ض/د d/D	فادِي أعْداء	darb quruud faadii 'a'daa' fard	path monkeys pr. name (m.) enemies individual	قُرُوض فاضِي أُعْضاء	Darb quruuD faaDii 'a'Daa' farD	strike loans empty members assumption
رات t/T	تَيّار تِين	tayyaar tiin	stream fig	طَیّار طِین	Tayyaar Tiin	pilot clay