

Lesson 5

You have noticed that in نصب case with fathatain (ّ) an Alif (ا) is added.

The rule is whenever there is fathatain (ّ) an Alif (ا) will be added in نصب case.

Let's take a look at it again.

جر	نصب	رفع	Meaning
رَجُلٍ	رَجُلًا	رَجُلٌ	man
مَلِكٍ	مَلِكًا	مَلِكٌ	king
زَيْدٍ	زَيْدًا	زَيْدٌ	Zaid
مُحَمَّدٍ	مُحَمَّدًا	مُحَمَّدٌ	Muhammad
مَسْجِدٍ	مَسْجِدًا	مَسْجِدٌ	mosque
بَيْتٍ	بَيْتًا	بَيْتٌ	house
دَارٍ	دَارًا	دَارٌ	house
جِدَارٍ	جِدَارًا	جِدَارٌ	wall
كِتَابٍ	كِتَابًا	كِتَابٌ	book
قَلَمٍ	قَلَمًا	قَلَمٌ	pen

Note: In about 98% of the rules in Arabic grammar, there are exceptions.

Exception 1 for the above rule is when there is (ة), at the end an Alif (ا) will not be added in نصب case.

Examples:

جر	نصب	رفع	Meaning
جَنَّةٍ	جَنَّةً	جَنَّةٌ	garden
أُمَّةٍ	أُمَّةً	أُمَّةٌ	nation
آيَةٍ	آيَةً	آيَةٌ	sign
إِمْرَأَةٍ	إِمْرَأَةً	إِمْرَأَةٌ	woman

Exception 2 for the above rule is when there is (اء) at the end, an Alif (ا) will not be added in نصب case.

Examples:

جر	نصب	رفع	Meaning
سَمَاءٍ	سَمَاءً	سَمَاءٌ	sky
مَاءٍ	مَاءً	مَاءٌ	water
جَزَاءٍ	جَزَاءً	جَزَاءٌ	reward

An Alif (ا) will be added in نصب case in the following words because they are ending with (وء) and (يء).

جر	نصب	رفع	Meaning
سُوءٍ	سُوءًا	سُوءٌ	bad
شَيْءٍ	شَيْئًا	شَيْءٌ	thing