

Lesson 8

2. جنس – the Gender

Arabic اسم (nouns) are of two types with regards to gender:

1. مُذَكَّر (Mudhak-kar) – masculine.
2. مُؤَنَّث (Muan-nath) – feminine.

All Arabic اسم (nouns) are مُذَكَّر – masculine unless we specifically know it is مُؤَنَّث – feminine.

There are two types of مُؤَنَّث – feminine.

1. مُؤَنَّث حَقِيقِي (Muan-nath Haqiqii) real feminine. If you translate these nouns to any language they remain feminine.

Examples:

مُؤَنَّث حَقِيقِي real feminine		
أُخْت	بِنْت	أُم
sister	daughter	mother

2. مُؤَنَّث غَيْر حَقِيقِي (Muan-nath Ghair Haqiqii) not real feminine.

مُؤَنَّث غَيْر حَقِيقِي is two types.

1. مُؤَنَّث عَلَامِي – feminine with signs.
2. مُؤَنَّث سَمَاعِي – feminine as heard from the Arabs.