

# Word List 1

The following list contains words which occur frequently in the Qur'an. It is arranged in Arabic alphabetical order.

This word list is placed at the beginning of the book for easy reference. You are not expected to memorize all the words at this stage but the sooner you do so the easier it would be to progress quickly. This is because these are the main words used throughout the book.

In the list, many words are first given in their simplest form. This form is a verb which is usually made up of three letters and which has the meaning of **he + the past tense**. For example:

خَلَقَ He created.

This form is called the **root word** or the **root** from which other words are derived or formed. In general, these other derived words are not all included in this list.<sup>(1)</sup> Most root words in the list, in addition to the words derived from them, occur **more than 100 times** in the Qur'an.

In Arabic, it is helpful to learn the past tense of a verb together with its present form, for example:

يَخْلُقُ / خَلَقَ He created/He creates.<sup>(2)</sup>

The plural of some nouns is given after the stroke /, for example:

قَلْبٌ / قُلُوبٌ heart/hearts. أَبٌ / آبَاءٌ father, ancestor/pl.

The definite article **ال** **the**, is put before some nouns, for example:

الْأَرْضُ the earth.

You will find it helpful to return to this basic Word List frequently. Read it aloud often, and memorize it as quickly as possible.

(1) In the Word Lists, Roman numerals from II to X are used for verbs derived from the root. For the significance of these Roman numerals see Section 5 of this book.

(2) Instead of writing out in full 'He created/He creates', dictionaries simply use the English infinitive 'to create'. This is only for convenience. In this and the other two Word Lists at the end of this book, the infinitive will be used when giving the meaning of an Arabic verb. e.g.:

يَجْعَلُ / جَعَلَ to make (instead of 'he made/he makes').

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ا

أَبٌ / ءَابَاءٌ	father, ancestor /pl.
آتَى / يَأْتِي	to come
أَجْرٌ / أَجُورٌ	reward /rewards
أَخَذَ / يَأْخُذُ	to take
اتَّخَذَ / يَتَّخِذُ	VIII. to adopt; to take
الْآخِرَةُ	the Hereafter
الْآخِرُ	the last
ءَاخِرٌ / ءَاخِرُونَ	other/others
أُخْرَى	other (f.)
الْأَرْضُ	the earth
أَكَلَ / يَأْكُلُ	to eat
أَلِيمٌ	painful
إِلَهٌ / ءِالِهَةٌ	god, object of worship /pl.
اللَّهُ	Allah, God
أَمَرَ / يَأْمُرُ	to command
أَمْرٌ / أُمُورٌ	matter, thing; order /pl.
أَمِنَ / يَأْمَنُ	to be secure
أَمِينٌ	trustworthy, secure
ءَامَنَ / يُؤْمِنُ	IV. to believe
مُؤْمِنٌ / مُؤْمِنُونَ	believer /believers (m.)
مُؤْمِنَةٌ / مُؤْمِنَاتٌ	believer/believers (f.)
إِيمَانٌ	faith, belief
إِنْسٌ	mankind, man
إِنْسَانٌ	human being
نَاسٌ	mankind, people

أَهْلٌ	family
أُولَئِكَ (أَوْلَاءٌ + ك)	those
ءَايَةٌ / ءَايَاتٌ	verse, sign, message /pl.

ب

بَصَرَ / يَبْصُرُ	to see, to perceive
بَصَرٌ / أَبْصَارٌ	sight/pl.
بَصِيرٌ	All-Seeing, Aware (attribute of God)
بَعْدٌ	after
بَعِيدٌ	far
بَعْدًا	away with!
بَعْضٌ	some
بَيَّنَّ / يَبَيِّنُ	II. to clarify, announce
بَيِّنَاتٌ	clear teachings; pronouncements
مَبِينٌ	clear, plain, obvious
بَيْنَ	between, among
ابْنٌ / بَنُونَ ، أَبْنَاءٌ	son/sons, children
بَنِينَ	children (acc. & gen.)
ابْنَةٌ / بَنَاتٌ	daughter/daughters

ت

تَبِعَ	to follow
اتَّبَعَ / يَتَّبِعُ	VIII. to follow; adopt

<b>ج</b>	
جَزَى / يَجْزِي	to reward, recompense
جَزَاءٌ	reward, recompense
جَعَلَ / يَجْعَلُ	to make; appoint
جَمَعَ / يَجْمَعُ	to gather
جَمِيعًا	together
أَجْمَعِينَ	all together
جَنَّةٌ / جَنَّاتٌ	garden/gardens
الْجَنَّةُ	Paradise, the Garden
جَاءَ / يَجِيءُ	to come
<b>ح</b>	
حَتَّى	until
حَسَبَ / يَحْسَبُ	to reckon, think
حِسَابٌ	account, reckoning
حَسَنٌ	to be good
حَسَنَةٌ / حَسَنَاتٌ	a good deed /pl.
أَحْسَنُ	better
أَحْسَنَ / يَحْسِنُ	IV. to do good
مُحْسِنٌ / مُحْسِنُونَ	(act. part. of IV.) doer of good /pl.
حَقٌّ	truth; right
الْحَقُّ	the Truth, Reality (also an attribute of God)
أَحَقُّ	more deserving
حَكَمَ / يَحْكُمُ	to judge
حُكْمٌ	a law, ruling
حِكْمَةٌ	wisdom

الْحَكِيمُ	the Most Wise (attribute of God)
حَيٌّ / يَحْيَى	to live
أَحْيَا / يُحْيِي	IV. to give life, to bring into life
حَيٌّ / أَحْيَاءٌ	a living being /pl.
الْحَيُّ	The Ever-Living (attribute of God)
حَيَاةٌ	life
<b>خ</b>	
خَرَجَ / يَخْرُجُ	to go out, leave
خُرُوجٌ	going out, leaving; exit
أَخْرَجَ / يَخْرِجُ	IV. to bring forth, produce
إِخْرَاجٌ	producing; expulsion
خَلْفَ / يَخْلَفُ	to be behind
خَلْفٌ	behind
خَلَّفَ / يَخْلِفُ	II. to appoint as successor; to leave behind
خَالَفَ / يَخَالَفُ	III. to disagree; to disobey
اِخْتَلَفَ / يَخْتَلِفُ	VIII. to disagree
اِخْتِلَافٌ	disagreement
اسْتَخْلَفَ / يَسْتَخْلِفُ	X. to appoint as successor
خَلَقَ / يَخْلُقُ	to create
خَلْقٌ	creation
خَالِقٌ	Creator
الْخَالِقُ	the Creator (attribute of God)
خَافَ / يَخَافُ	to be afraid
خَوْفٌ	fear

خَيْرٌ	better
خَيْرٌ مِنْ	better than
خَيْرَاتٌ	good deeds; charity

## د

دَخَلَ / يَدْخُلُ	to enter
أَدْخَلَ / يَدْخُلُ	IV. to cause to enter; to admit
دَعَا / يَدْعُو	to call upon someone, supplicate; to invite
دَعَاءٌ / أَدْعِيَاءٌ	supplication /pl.
الدُّنْيَا	the world
حَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا	the life of this world
دُونَ	without
الدِّينِ	religion; the true faith; judgment
دَيْنٌ	a debt

## ذ

ذَكَرَ / يَذْكُرُ	to mention; to remember
ذَكَرٌ	mentioning; a reminder, remembrance
ذَكَرَ / يَذْكُرُ	II. to remind
تَذَكَّرَ / يَتَذَكَّرُ	V. to remind oneself
ذَكَرٌ / ذُكُورٌ	male/males
ذُو، ذَا، ذِي	(nom., acc., gen.) possessor

## ر

رَأَى / يَرَى	to see
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رَأَى	a sighting; opinion
أَرَى / يَرَى	IV. to show
رِيَاءٌ	ostentation
رَبٌّ	Lord, Sustainer

رَجَعَ / يَرْجِعُ	to return
مَرْجِعٌ	a return
رَحِمَ / يَرْحَمُ	to be merciful
رَحْمَةٌ	mercy
الرَّحْمَنُ	The Most Gracious (attribute of God)
الرَّحِيمُ	The Most Merciful (attribute of God)
أَرْحَامٌ	wombs
رَزَقَ / يَرْزُقُ	to provide (sustenance)
رِزْقٌ	sustenance
الرِّزَاقُ	The Provider, Sustainer (attribute of God)

أَرْسَلَ / يَرْسِلُ	IV. to send
مُرْسَلٌ / مَرْسَلُونَ	(pass. part.) messenger /pl.
رَسُولٌ / رَسَلٌ	messenger / pl.
رِسَالَةٌ / رِسَالَاتٌ	message/ pl.
أَرَادَ / يَرِيدُ	IV. to want

## س

سَأَلَ / يَسْأَلُ	to ask
سُؤَالٌ	a question
سَائِلٌ / سَائِلُونَ	(act. part.) a questioner /pl.
مَسْئُولٌ / مَسْئُولُونَ	(pass. part.) questioned; a responsible person /pl.
تَسَاءَلَ / يَتَسَاءَلُ	VI. to ask one another

سَبِيلٌ / سَبِيلٌ	way, path (f.) /pl.
أَسْلَمَ / يَسْلُمُ	IV. to submit
إِسْلَامٌ	submission
الإِسْلَامُ	Islam
مُسْلِمٌ / مُسْلِمُونَ	(act. part.) one who submits, a Muslim (m.) /pl.
مُسْلِمَةٌ / مُسْلِمَاتٌ	(act. part.) one who submits (f.), a Muslimah /pl.
سَلَامٌ	peace
سَمِعَ / يَسْمَعُ	to hear
سَمْعٌ	hearing
السَّمِيعُ	The All Hearing (attribute of God)
اسْتَمَعَ / يَسْتَمِعُ	VIII. to listen
مُسْتَمِعٌ / مُسْتَمِعُونَ	(act. part. of VIII.) a listener
سَمَاءٌ / سَمَوَاتٌ	sky, heaven /pl.
سَاءٌ / يَسُوءُ	to be evil, bad
سُوءٌ	evil
سَيِّئَةٌ / سَيِّئَاتٌ	evil deed/ pl.

## ش

شَدَّ	to be strong
شَدِيدٌ	strong, severe
أَشَدُّ	stronger, more severe
أَشْرَكَ / يُشْرِكُ	IV. to associate (others with God)
شَرِكٌ	associating (others with God); polytheism, idolatry
شَرِيكٌ / شُرَكَاءٌ	partner /pl.
مَشْرِكٌ / مَشْرِكُونَ	(act. part of IV; m.) one who associates, polytheist/pl.

مَشْرِكَةٌ / مَشْرِكَاتٌ	(act. part of IV. f.) polytheist /pl.
شَهِدَ / يَشْهَدُ	to witness
أَشْهَدُ / يَشْهَدُ	IV. to take as witness
اسْتَشْهَدُ	X. to call as witness
شَاهِدٌ / شَاهِدُونَ	a witness/witnesses
شَهِيدٌ / شَهِدَاءٌ	witness, martyr /pl.
شَهَادَةٌ	testimony; martyrdom
شَاءَ / يَشَاءُ	to wish, to will
شَيْءٌ / أَشْيَاءٌ	a thing /pl.

## ص

صَبَرَ / يَصْبِرُ	to be patient, steadfast
صَبْرٌ	patience, steadfastness, courage
صَابِرٌ / صَابِرُونَ	a steadfast person (m.) /pl.
صَابِرَةٌ / صَابِرَاتٌ	a steadfast person (f.) /pl.
صَبَّارٌ	a very steadfast person
صَدَقَ / يَصْدُقُ	to be truthful, to speak the truth
صِدْقٌ	truthfulness
صَادِقٌ / صَادِقُونَ	a truthful person (m.) /pl.
صَدَقَةٌ / صَدَقَاتٌ	an act of charity /pl.
صَلَحَ	to be good, righteous
أَصْلَحَ / يُصْلِحُ	IV. to set aright, reform
إِصْلَاحٌ	setting aright, reform
صَالِحٌ / صَالِحُونَ	a righteous person /pl.
الصَّالِحَاتُ	righteous deeds

## ض

ضَلَّ / يَضِلُّ	to go astray
أَضَلَّ / يُضِلُّ	IV. to cause (someone) to go astray
ضَلَّالٌ	going astray; error
ضَالٌّ / ضَالُّونَ	one who is astray /pl.
أَضَلُّ	more misguided, more astray

## ط

طَاعَ / يُطِيعُ	to obey
طَاعَةٌ	obedience
أَطَاعَ / يُطِيعُ	IV. to obey
اسْتَطَاعَ / يَسْتَطِيعُ	X. to be able

## ظ

ظَلَمَ / يَظْلِمُ	to be unjust, to wrong, to be tyrannical
ظُلْمٌ	injustice, tyranny
ظَالِمٌ / ظَالِمُونَ	an unjust person, tyrant, wrongdoer /pl.
أَظْلَمَ / يَظْلِمُ	IV. to injure; to become dark
ظِلْمَاتٌ	darkness (lit. darknesses)

## ع

عَبَدَ / يَعْبُدُ	to worship
عَبْدٌ / عِبَادٌ - عِبِيدٌ	a servant /pl.

## عِبَادَةٌ

worship

## اعْتَدَى / يَعْتَدِي

VIII. to overstep; to commit an aggression, to violate

## عَدَاوَةٌ

enmity

## عَدُوٌّ / أَعْدَاءٌ

an enemy /pl.

## عَذَّبَ / يُعَذِّبُ

II. to punish

## عَذَابٌ

punishment

## الْعَزِيزُ

The Most Powerful (attribute of God)

## عَظِيمٌ

great, magnificent, awesome

## الْعَظِيمُ

The Most Great (attribute of God)

## عَلِمَ / يَعْلَمُ

to know

## عِلْمٌ

knowledge

## عَالِمٌ / عَالِمُونَ - عُلَمَاءٌ

(act. part.) one who knows, a scholar /pl.

## أَعْلَمُ

more knowledgeable

## مَعْلُومٌ

(pass. part.) known

## الْعَلِيمُ

The all-Knowing (attribute of God)

## عَلَّمَ / يَعْلَمُ

II. to teach

## تَعَلَّمَ / يَتَعَلَّمُ

V. to learn

## عَلَى

(prep.) on, above; against; on account of; despite

## عَمِلَ / يَعْمَلُ

to work, do

## عَامِلٌ / عَامِلُونَ

(act. part.) working, worker /pl.

## عَمَلٌ / أَعْمَالٌ

deed, action /pl.

## عِنْدَ

(prep.) at, with, beside (also to express possession)

<b>غ</b>	
غَفَرَ / يَغْفِرُ	to forgive
اسْتَغْفَرَ / يَسْتَغْفِرُ	X. to ask forgiveness
الْغَفُورُ	The Forgiving (attribute of God)
الْغَفَّارُ	The Most Forgiving (attribute of God)
غَيْرٌ	not

<b>ف</b>	
فَضَّلَ / يَفْضِلُ	II. to prefer
فَضْلٌ	grace, bounty
فَعَلَ / يَفْعَلُ	to do, make
فِي	in, into, among, on

<b>ق</b>	
قَبْلَ	before
قَتَلَ / يَقْتُلُ	to kill
قَتْلٌ	killing, murder
قَتَلَ / يَقْتُلُ	II. to massacre
تَقْتِيلٌ	a massacre
قَاتَلَ / يَقَاتِلُ	III. to fight
قِتَالٌ	fighting
اقْتَتَلَ / يَقْتَتِلُ	VIII. to quarrel
قَدَرَ / يَقْدِرُ	to be able
قَدَرَ / يَقْدِرُ	II. to determine
قَدْرٌ	power, destiny

الْقَدِيرُ	The All-Powerful (attribute of God)
قَلَّبَ / يَقَلِّبُ	II. to cause to turn; to make succeed in turns
قَلْبٌ / قُلُوبٌ	heart/ hearts
انْقَلَبَ / يَنْقَلِبُ	VII. to be turned about or away from; to be overthrown
قَالَ / يَقُولُ	to say
قِيلَ	(passive) it was said
قَوْلٌ	a saying, speech
قَامَ / يَقُومُ	to stand
أَقَامَ / يُقِيمُ	IV. to establish, set up; to keep up
قِيَامٌ	standing, establishing
اسْتَقَامَ / يَسْتَقِيمُ	X. to stand firm
مُسْتَقِيمٌ	straight
الْقِيَامَةُ	the Resurrection
قَوْمٌ	a people
<b>ك</b>	
كَبُرَ	to be great, serious
كَبِيرٌ	big, great; old
أَكْبَرُ	bigger, greater; older
اسْتَكْبَرَ / يَسْتَكْبِرُ	X. to be proud, arrogant
اسْتِكْبَارٌ	pride, arrogance
كَتَبَ / يَكْتُبُ	to write; prescribe
كِتَابٌ / كُتُبٌ	book, scripture /pl.
كَثُرَ	to be plentiful

كثير	much, many
أكثر	more, most
كذب / يكذب	to lie
كذب	a lie
كاذب / كاذبون	(act. part.) liar / liars
كذاب	a great liar
كذب / يكذب	II. to deny, reject
مكذَّبون	(act. part. pl. of II) those who deny
كفر / يكفر	to disbelieve; to be ungrateful; to hide
كفر	disbelief, rejection (of Truth)
كافر / كافرون - كفار	disbeliever/disbelievers
كفر / يكفر	II. to atone; to wipe away (sin)
كل	each, every
كان / يكون	to be
مكان	a place

## ل

ل	to, for
لعل	perhaps
لقى / يلقى	to meet
لقاء	a meeting
ألقى / يلقى	IV. to throw; to receive
تلقى / يتلقى	V. to get, obtain
التقى / يلتقى	VIII. to encounter

## م

ما	what, whatever; not
متى	when
مثل / أمثال	an example, likeness, comparison, parable /pl.
مثل	like
مع	with
ملك / يملك	to own; to control
ملك	dominion, sovereignty
المملك	The Owner, the Sovereign (attribute of God)
ملك	an angel
الملائكة	the angels
من	from
من	who, whoever
مات / يموت	to die
موت	death
ميت / أموات	dead, dead person /pl.
ميت / ميتون - موتى	dead, dead person /pl.

## ن

نبا / أنباء	news/pl.
نبي / نبين - أنبياء	a prophet /prophets
النبي	the Prophet
النبوة	prophethood
أنذر / ينذر	IV. to warn
نذير	a warner
منذر / منذرون	(act. part. of IV.) warner/pl.



نَزَلَ / يَنْزِلُ	to descend
نَزَلَ / يَنْزِلُ	II. to send down, reveal
تَنْزِيلٌ	a revelation
أَنْزَلَ / يَنْزِلُ	IV. to send down; to reveal; to bestow
نَصَرَ / يَنْصُرُ	to help
نَصْرٌ	help
نَاصِرٌ / نَاصِرُونَ	(act. part.) helper /pl.
أَنْصَارٌ	helpers
نَاصِرٌ	helper
نَظَرَ / يَنْظُرُ	to see, to look
أَنْتَظِرُ / يَنْتَظِرُ	VIII. to wait
نَفْسٌ / أَنْفُسٌ - نَفُوسٌ	self, person, soul /pl.
نَارٌ	fire
نُورٌ	light
مُنِيرٌ	light-giving, radiant
نَاسٌ	people, human beings, mankind

## هـ

هَدَى / يَهْدِي	to guide
هُدًى	guidance
أَهْتَدَى / يَهْتَدِي	VIII. to be guided
مَهْتَدٍ / مَهْتَدُونَ	(pass. part. of VIII.) one who is guided/pl.

## و

وَجَدَ / يَجِدُ	to find
وَعَدَ / يَعِدُ	to promise

وَعْدٌ	a promise
وَلَدَ / يَلِدُ	to beget; to reproduce
وَلَدَتْ	she gave birth
وَالِدٌ	(act. part. m.) father
وَالِدَةٌ	(act. part. f.) mother
وَالِدَانِ / وَالِدَيْنِ	(dual) parents /acc. & gen.
وَلَدٌ / أَوْلَادٌ	child, boy /children
وَقَى	to guard, protect
اتَّقَى / يَتَّقِي	VIII. to be careful, wary; to be conscious (of God); to fear (God)
مُتَّقٍ / مُتَّقُونَ	one who is wary, conscious (of God); a God-conscious person /pl.
تَقْوَى	God-consciousness, piety; fear (of God)

## ي

يَدٌ / أَيَدِي	hand /hands
يَسَّرَ / ييسِرُ	II. to make easy, facilitate
يَمِينٌ	right; right hand; an oath
أَيْمَانٌ	oaths
مِيْمَنَةٌ	right hand
يَوْمٌ / أَيَّامٌ	day, aeon /pl.
يَوْمَئِذٍ	on that day