

Unit 23

Exercises

1. Conjugate the following verbs in the present tense, subjunctive.

Plural	Dual	Singular	
.....	يَعْلَمُ	3.m.
.....	3.f.
.....	2.m.
.....	2.f.
.....	1.m.&.f.
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.....	يَسْمَعُ	3.m.
.....	3.f.
.....	2.m.
.....	2.f.
.....	1.m.&.f.
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.....	يَخْرُجُ	3.m.
.....	3.f.
.....	2.m.
.....	2.f.
.....	1.m.&.f.
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.....	يَرْجِعُ	3.m.
.....	3.f.
.....	2.m.
.....	2.f.
.....	1.m.&.f.

2. Underline the controlling particles in the Arabic below which cause the verbs to be in the subjunctive. Put in the missing vowels in the Arabic.

- (a) وَأَمْرَت لَأَنْ أَكُونَ أَوَّلَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ And I was commanded to be the first of those who submit. 39: 12
- (b) وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ And they were not commanded except to worship God. 48: 5
- (c) لِكَيْ لَا تَحْزَنُوا عَلَى مَا فَاتَكُمْ So that you should not grieve over what has eluded you. 3: 153
- (d) فَلَنْ يَغْفِرَ اللَّهُ لَهُمْ And God will not forgive them. 9: 80
- (e) وَإِنَّا لَنَدْخُلُهَا حَتَّىٰ يَخْرُجُوا مِنْهَا And indeed we will not enter it until they go out from it. 5: 22
- (f) أَيْحْسِبُ أَنَّ لَن يَقْدِرَ عَلَيْهِ أَحَدٌ Does he reckon that noone shall have power over him? 90: 5
- (g) فَأَيِّنَّ أَنْ يَحْمِلْنَهَا And they (f.p.) refused to carry it. 33: 72
- (h) يَا أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ إِذَا جَاءَكَ الْمُؤْمِنَاتُ يَبِيَعْنَكَ O Prophet! Whenever believing women come to you to pledge allegiance to you
- (i) عَلَىٰ أَنْ لَا يُشْرِكَنَّ بِاللَّهِ شَيْئًا وَلَا يَسْرِقَنَّ that they would not associate anything with God, that they would not steal,
- (j) وَلَا يَزْنِينَ وَلَا يَقْتُلْنَ أَوْلَادَهُنَّ that they would not commit adultery, and that they would not kill their children... 60: 12

3. Copy in the space below verses 1- 3 of Surah al-Fath - surah 48, which is about the Truce of Hudaibiyyah. Underline the verbs in the subjunctive.

- (a) Indeed We have given you (O Prophet) a clear victory
- (b) so that He (God) might forgive you ...
- (c) and (so that) He might complete His favour on you
- (d) and (so that) He might guide you on a straight path
- (e) and (so that) He might help you with a mighty help.

Notes for Question 3 above.

Line (a): فَتَحًا is the verbal noun of فَتَحَ "he opened" or "he granted victory". This use of the verbal noun in the accusative following its verb is known in Arabic as an *absolute accusative*.. In line (e), there is another example of an absolute accusative. **Line (b):** Only part of this line is translated into English.

أَبَىٰ / يَأْبَىٰ to refuse
حَزَنَ / يَحْزَنُ to grieve, to be sad
فَاتَ / يَفُوتُ to escape, pass by
بَاعَ / يَبِيعُ III. to pledge allegiance

فَتَحَ / يَفْتَحُ to open, grant victory, liberate
سَرَقَ / يَسْرِقُ to steal
زَنَىٰ / يَزْنِي to commit fornication or adultery