

The background of the cover is a detailed black and white illustration of Arabic calligraphy. The script is highly stylized, with large, bold letters and intricate flourishes. The text is arranged in vertical columns, typical of traditional Arabic manuscript layout. The overall aesthetic is that of a classic Islamic art piece.

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

لَوْ أَنْزَلْنَا هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ عَلَى جَبَلٍ
لَرَأَيْتَهُ خَاشِعًا مُتَصَدِّعًا مِّنْ خَشْيَةِ اللَّهِ
وَتِلْكَ الْأَمْثَلُ نَضْرِبُهَا لِلنَّاسِ
لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ



In the name of God, the Most Gracious, the Ever Merciful

If We had sent down this Qur'an upon a mountain,
you would indeed have seen it humbled, breaking asunder
out of the fear of God!

Such comparisons We strike for human beings,
that they might (begin to) think.

(Surah al-Hashr, 59: 21)

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How to use this Workbook

This Workbook is to be used with the Textbook of the Access to Qur'anic Arabic course.

The Workbook gives much-needed further practice in the grammar and structure of the language. Phrases and sentences used in the Workbook are also from the Qur'an and the vocabulary is mainly that which is used in the Textbook.

- The Workbook assumes you know how to read and write the Arabic script. If you don't, you may use the **MELS Graded Steps in Arabic** course for reading and writing which can be completed in 2-3 weeks or about 25 hours of study and practice.
- There are two pages of exercises in the Workbook for each Unit of the Textbook. Study each Unit of the Textbook carefully before attempting to do the exercises.
- New words are listed in boxes.
- Some of the exercises require that you read and study portions of **Selections from the Qur'an** which is an integral part of this course. Memorize as much of these Selections as soon as possible.
- First, try answering the questions orally to ensure that you know the correct answers.
- If you do not know an answer to a question in the exercises, do not guess. Go back to the Textbook or the Selections or seek the help of a teacher or someone who knows. We need to be particularly careful in answering questions on the Qur'an.
- Write with a pencil at first. You may find at the beginning that you need more writing practice. Try copying passages from the Selections from the Qur'an in a separate exercise book for extra writing practice. For attractive Arabic calligraphy, try using a left-handed italic calligraphy pen.

Regular and fluent reading of and listening to the Qur'an will make the exercises easier and more enjoyable.

The study of Qur'anic Arabic requires patience and great attention to detail. It is a most rewarding exercise and we pray that it will lead to a life in the shade of the Qur'an - a life which is thereby elevated, blessed and purified.

Abbreviations used in the Workbook:

- m. masculine
- f. feminine
- s. singular
- d. dual
- p. plural

When referring to pronouns and verbs:

1. 1st person - the person speaking - *I, we*
2. 2nd person - the person spoken to - *you*
3. 3rd person - the person spoken about - *he, she, it, they*

e.g.

3.f.s. = 3rd person feminine singular = *she*

3.m.d. = 3rd person masculine dual = *they two*

1.m. & f. s. = 1st person masculine and feminine singular = *I*

2.m.p. = 2nd. person masculine plural = *you*

lit. - literally; indicates a word by word translation.

Answers for the Workbook:

A version of this Workbook with answers is available as .pdf files for those engaged in self-study and for teachers.

'The best of you is the one who learns the Qur'an and teaches it.'

- *Saying of Prophet Muhammad, peace be on him, recorded by al-Bukhari.*