

## LESSON 20

In this lesson we learn the following:

1) The dual in the accusative and genitive cases: We have learnt in Book 1 the dual in the nominative case, e.g.:

لِيْ أَخَوَانِ 'I have two brothers.'

فِي بَيْتِيْ غُرْفَتَانِ كَبِيرَتَانِ 'There are two large rooms in my house.'

We have learnt that the normal nominative ending is '-u', the accusative ending is '-a', and the genitive ending is '-i', e.g.:

أَيْنَ الْمُدْرَسُ؟ 'Where is the teacher?' (al-mudarris-u)

سَأَلْتُ الْمُدْرَسَ 'I asked the teacher.' (al-mudarris-a)

قُلْتُ لِلْمُدْرَسِ 'I said to the teacher.' (al-mudarris-i)

But the dual has different case endings. The nominative ending in the dual is '-âni', and the genitive and accusative ending is '-aini', e.g.:

هَذَانِ رِيَالَانِ 'These are two riyals.' (riyal-âni)

أُرِيدُ رِيَالَيْنِ 'I want two riyals' (riyal-aini)

اشْتَرَيْتُهُ بِرِيَالَيْنِ 'I bought it for two riyals.' (riyal-aini)

Here are some more examples:

قَرَأْتُ كِتَابَيْنِ 'I read two books.'

رَجَعْتُ بَعْدَ يَوْمَيْنِ 'I returned after two days.'

جَاءَ مُدْرَسَانِ جَدِيدَانِ 'Two new teachers came.'

سَمِعْتُ هَذَا الْخَبَرَ مِنْ إِذَاعَتَيْنِ 'I heard this news from two radio stations.'

2) أَحَدُهُمَا ... وَالْآخَرُ ... 'one of them ... and the other ...', e.g.:

لِيْ أَخَوَانِ : أَحَدُهُمَا طَبِيبٌ وَ الْآخَرُ مُهَنْدِسٌ 'I have two brothers: one of them is a doctor and the other is an engineer.'

The feminine is ... وَالْآخَرَى ... إِحْدَاهُمَا, e.g.:

لِي أُخْتَانِ : إِحْدَاهُمَا مُدْرِسَةٌ وَالْأُخْرَى مُمْرَضَةٌ 'I have two sisters: one of them is a teacher and the other is a nurse.'

### Exercises

1. Answer the following questions.
2. Learn the *i'rab* (declension) of the dual.
3. Answer the following questions using the dual (in the nominative case).
4. Answer the following questions using the dual (in the accusative case).
5. Answer the following questions using the dual (in the genitive case).
6. Rewrite each of the following sentences after changing the underlined word to dual.
7. Use each of the following words in a sentence.
8. Learn the use of ... وَالْآخَرُ ... أَحَدُهُمَا .
9. Learn the use of ... وَالْأُخْرَى ... إِحْدَاهُمَا .
10. Learn the following examples of the dual in the genitive case.

### Vocabulary

|                |                       |                 |                          |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| ذُو وَجْهَيْنِ | hypocrite (two-faced) | مُفِيدٌ         | useful                   |
| مُشْطٌ         | comb                  | السِّيْرَةُ     | the prophet's biography  |
| مِخْدَةٌ       | pillow (pl. مَخَادٌ)  | تَفْسِيرٌ       | Commentary of the Qur'an |
| زِرٌّ          | button                | ذَبْحٌ يَذْبَحُ | (a-a) to slaughter       |
| مِرْآةٌ        | mirror                | شَرَحَ يَشْرَحُ | (a-a) to explain         |
| لِصٌّ          | thief                 |                 |                          |
| جَنِيَّةٌ      | pound (monetary unit) |                 |                          |