

Practice with Huroof Maddah

Sometimes, three Arabic letters (ا و ي) are used to lengthen the sound of the short vowels. They are called HUROOF MADDAH. The letter Alif (ا) lengthens the sound of fatha, the letter Waw (و) lengthens the sound of damma and the letter Yaa (ي) lengthens the sound of kasra.

When these three letters are used to lengthen the sound of a vowel, the letters by themselves do not take any vowel mark on top or below them. In the following example, letter ب has a fatha sign on top, but letter Alif (ا) has no vowel sign, as it only lengthens the sound of fatha of letter ب.

The letter (ا) lengthens the sound of the fatha sign above the previous letter. "Ba" now sounds as long "Baa".

بَ + ا = بَا

تِي	تُو	تَا	بِي	بُو	بَا
جِي	جُو	جَا	ثِي	ثُو	ثَا
خِي	خُو	خَا	حِي	حُو	حَا
ذِي	ذُو	ذَا	دِي	دُو	دَا
زِي	زُو	زَا	رِي	رُو	رَا
شِي	شُو	شَا	سِي	سُو	سَا