

Demonstrative pronoun

(أَسْمَاءُ الْإِشَارَةِ)

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Class Objective: I will be able to use demonstrative pronouns appropriately.

Concept A: Introduction

Generally, demonstrative pronouns are words like 'this' and 'that'. In Arabic, they are called 'demonstrative nouns' أَسْمَاءُ الْإِشَارَةِ. A demonstrative noun by itself is an ambiguous word until defined by a subsequent word. As regards gender, a demonstrative pronoun is either masculine or feminine. As for numbers, it is either singular, dual, or plural. As to reference, it refers to a noun that is close, a noun that is far, or a noun that is neither close nor far. This post explains all these aspects.

هَذَا/ Haza and هَذِهِ/ Hazihi are used to refer to a person, an animal, or an object that is near us, but first one is for masculine and last one is for feminine, as in these examples:

This is an intelligent boy	Haza waladun Zakiyyaun	هَذَا وَلَدٌ ذَكِيٌّ
This book is for Mohammed	Haza al-kitabu li Muhammad	هَذَا الْكِتَابُ لِمُحَمَّدٍ
This (female) student is smart	Hazihi al-talibatu zakkiyyatun	هَذِهِ الطَّالِبَةُ ذَكِيَّةٌ
I love this girl	Uhibbu hazihi al-bint	أُحِبُّ هَذِهِ الْبِنْتَ

Concept B: Examples

If we want to refer to someone or something that is too far, we use ذَاكَ/Zaka or ذَلِكَ/Zalika for masculine and تِلْكَ/tilka for feminine, as in these examples:

This man is Yemeni, and that is Egyptian	Haza al-rajulu yamani wa zaka misri	هَذَا الرَّجُلُ يَمَنِيٌّ وَذَاكَ مِصْرِيٌّ
This is a book, and that is notebook	Haza kitabun w zaka daftarun	هَذَا كِتَابٌ وَذَاكَ دَفْتَرٌ
This is a chicken and that is a duck	Sa arkabu tilka al-hafilah	سَأَرْكَبُ تِلْكَ الْحَافِلَةَ
I will take that bus	Hazihi dajajah wa tilka battah	هَذِهِ دَجَاجَةٌ وَتِلْكَ بَطَّةٌ

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