Lesson 3

Hamzat Al-Wasl - Connecting Hamzah

مَمْزَة الوَحْل

# Class 1

There are two types of hamzah:

- هَمْزَةُ الْقَطْع 1. Hamzat Al Qat'i
- Also known as hamzat Al –Asl هَمْزَةُ الأَصْلُ
- It may appear anywhere in the word and is pronounced with the harakah on it.

يُؤَاخِذُ ، المَلاَئِكَة ، السَّيِّئِ ، الأَسْمَاءِ ، أَنْعَمْت Examples:

2. Hamzat Al- Wasl همزة الوصل (Connecting Hamzah) - Sign:

Hamzat al-wasl is an extra hamzah at the beginning of a word, which is pronounced when starting with the word, and dropped when joining the word that has hamzat al-wasl with the previous word. It acts as a stepping stone or a ladder to the next word.

# Why Hamzat Al-Wasl is called so?

Hamzat al-Wasl is called so because it is used to help pronounce words that start with saakin letters because Arabic does not start words with these letters.

### Examples:

Alhamdulillah لِّ لْحَمْدُ للله When starting

Qulilhamdulillah قُلِ ٱلْحَمْدُ للله When joining

# Class 2

## How to Read Hamzat Al Wasl When Beginning a Word With it

**1. Generally, the third letter rule is applied** (you will learn more details in the advanced Tajweed). For now, just remember:

If the harakah on the 3rd letter is fat-hah or kasrah, then hamzat alwasl is read with a kasrah.

#### Examples:

إِسْتَجِيبُوا، إِرْ تَضَلِّي، إِكْشِف، إِصْبِر

 If the harakah on the 3rd letter is dammah, then hamzat al-wasl is read with a dammah.

Examples:

أَبْتُلِيَ ، أَسْتُحْفِظُوا ، أَنْظُر

## **Advanced Concepts:**

#### Five Exceptions to This Rule:

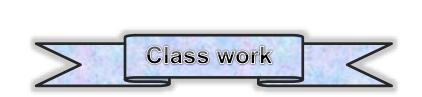
**1.** Even though the third letter of these words has a dammah, hamzat alwasl is read with a kasrah and not a dammah:

إمْضُوا ، إِنْتُوا ، إمْشُوا ، إبْنُوا ، إقْضُوا

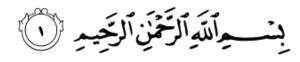
2. In Laam At-Ta'areef لأم التَّعْرِيف or The Letter Laam of the Definite Article "the" (ٱلْ If hamzat Al-wasl is followed by a laam of the definite article  $J^{\hat{j}}$ , then hamzat Al-wasl will always be read with a Fat-hah. You will learn more about this laam in the next lesson and in the Madd  $\hat{\lambda}$  lesson.

#### Examples:

اَلْأَسْمَاء، الضُّحَى، السَّلام، اَلْأَرْض، الْقَمَر، الْهُدَى



Apply the rules you have learned about hamzat al-wasl by reading Surat Al Fatihah. Use arrows to indicate how you would read hamzat al-wasl, and indicate when it would be dropped and when it would be pronounced. (Place numbers above the letter or the arrow and write whether hamzat al-wasl will be pronounced or dropped in the space provided below the ayah).



بَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَبَ . آلعَ لَمِينَ

