

Harakat: Vowel Marks

Little marks on Arabic letters tell us which sound to say!

1



ba

بَ

Fatha فَتْحَة

A little line on top.
Open wide: a!

2



bi

بِ

Kasra كَسْرَة

A little line below.
Smile: i!

3



bu

بُ

Damma ضَمَّة

A tiny curl on top.
Round your lips: u!

4



b

بْ

Sukun سُكُون

A tiny circle on top.
Stop, no vowel!

5

 **Tanwin** تَنْوِين

Two marks? Add a little n sound at the end!

بَ

ban

two fathas

بِ

bin

two kasras

بُ

bun

two dammas

6

 **Shadda** شَدَّة

بْ b-b

A little w on top.
Say it twice!

رَبِّ

rab-bi
in Al-Fatiha 1:2

 **Let's read!**

Start on the right ←

مُ مِ مَ

mu mi ma

تُ تِ تَ

tu ti ta

بُ بِ بَ

bu bi ba

