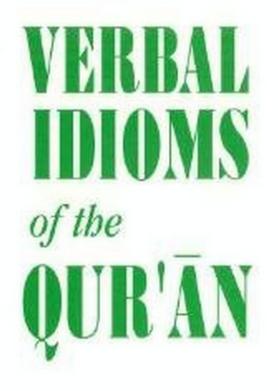
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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

act pt	active participle(s)
fig	figurative(ly)
lit	literal(ly)
mas	maşdar
n(n).	(see) note(s)
obj	object
pass	passive
pass pt	passive participle(s)
phr	phrase
prep	preposition(al)
pres	present
, pron	pronoun, pronominal
Q.	Qur'ān
S(s).	Sūrah(s)
sb	somebody
sth	something
und	understood
vb	verb
vs(s).	verse(s)

## NOTE ON TRANSLITERATION

One of the standard systems of transliteration is used to represent the Arabic characters. The following points should be noted. The diphthongs are represented by *aw* and *ay*. The apostrophe is not used to indicate the *hamzat al-waṣl* (thus: *mina l-bābi*). It is used, however, to distinguish or avoid confusion between certain letters or syllables (e.g. *adh'haba, aṣ<sup>c</sup>aqat'hum*). The long vowels are regularly marked with a macron, whether or not they are followed by a *hamzat al-waṣl*, and irrespective of whether they occur in prose or poetry; the only exception made is in deference to the Qur'ānic orthography, a few long vowels having been represented as short (e.g. *cigābi* [= *ciqābī*] in 38:14 and *tanādī* [= *tanādī*] in 40:32).

## FOREWORD

Although medieval Arabic is well represented by dictionaries composed by Muslim scholars in the Middle Ages, the language still presents many lexical difficulties for the student and the mature scholar alike. The source of most such difficulties lies in the extraordinarily large number of idioms, in particular idioms involving verbs, in which the language abounds.

Professor Mir, in addressing himself to this problem, has taken as his corpus the Qur'ān, the sacred scripture of Islam and the most important single book in Arabic literature, and has produced a contextual dictionary of verbal idioms that will be of great value to everyone interested in the Islamic religion, the Arabic language, and its extensive literature. The work is no mere repetition and re-arrangement of traditional data, but possesses a high degree of originality. With many years' study of the Qur'ān behind him, the author freely offers his own interpretation of difficult idioms, which adds to the interest and utility of the work. Indeed, one may hope that future lexicographers will take their cue from Professor Mir's work and produce similar dictionaries of other features of the Arabic language.

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# INTRODUCTION

#### Preliminary

The Qur'ān has a small vocabulary. According to one computation, the total number of Arabic roots used in the Qur'ān is 1702.<sup>1</sup> This might suggest that, from the point of view of language, the Qur'ān is a simple enough book to read and understand. In a sense the Qur'ān is quite easy to follow, and its small vocabulary does facilitate one's understanding of it. But a serious student soon realizes that the language of this book is only deceptively simple. As is testified by the scores of volumes that exist on Qur'ānic syntax and grammar alone, almost every Qur'ānic verse presents one or more linguistic problems that claim attention and demand a solution. It is only on a close study of the Qur'ānic language that one begins truly to appreciate its richness and complexity.

What largely accounts for this richness and complexity is the most varied linguistic structures that, manipulating its small vocabulary, the Qur'an generates. One of the categories into which these struc-

<sup>1</sup>The computation was made by Mr. Dawud al-Tauhidi, a doctoral student in Islamic Studies at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Mr. Tauhidi also reviewed portions of this work and gave his comments, for which I am thankful. tures fall is that of idioms, of which verbal idioms form a subcategory—the subject of the present work.<sup>2</sup>

Verbal idioms are a significant component of the Qur'anic vocabulary. For one thing, they occur quite frequently, a fact that quickly becomes clear to one who keeps an eye open for them. Clusters of verbal idioms are sometimes found within the span of a short passage. The first four verses of S. 94, for example, contain four idioms, one apiece (the references in parentheses indicate the places where the idioms are to be found in this work):

a lam nashrah laka sadraka (194 (ShRH) I.1); wa wada<sup>c</sup>nā <sup>c</sup>anka wizraka (410 (WŅ<sup>c</sup>) 3); alladhī anqada zahraka (389 (NQŅ) IV); wa rafa<sup>c</sup>nā laka dhikraka (141 (RF<sup>c</sup>) I.2.iii).

Not infrequently, two or more idioms occur in a single verse. These may be independent of one another, as in 4:46, which contains a whole series of idioms (*harrafa l-kalimata <sup>c</sup>an mawdi<sup>c</sup>ihī* [59 (*HRF*) II.2]; sami<sup>c</sup>nā wa ata<sup>c</sup>nā, sam<sup>c</sup>inā wa <sup>c</sup>aṣaynā, and isma<sup>c</sup> and isma<sup>c</sup> ghayra musma<sup>c</sup>in [183 (SM<sup>c</sup>) I.ii, iii, and 2.i, respectively]; rā<sup>c</sup>inā [138 (R<sup>c</sup>Y) III]; lawā bi lisānihī [351 (LWY) I.1.b]; ta<sup>c</sup>ana fīhi [229 (T<sup>c</sup>N) I]; and unzurnā [383 (NZR) I.1.ii(a)]). Or they may be integrally linked to one another, one idiom building upon the other, as in 16:26 (atā llāhu bunyānahum mina l-qawā<sup>c</sup>idi [2 ('TY) I.2.iii] and fa kharra <sup>c</sup>alayhimu s-saqfu [80 (KhRR) I.a.i]), or in 43:56 (fa ja<sup>c</sup>alnāhum salafan wa mathalan li l-ākhirīna [48 (J<sup>c</sup>L) 1.2.i(f])). Some roots are especially rich in verbal idioms, as a glance at the contents under, for example, J<sup>c</sup>L, DRB, QT<sup>c</sup>, and LQY will show.

Not only do they occur with striking frequency, the Qur'anic verbal idioms are notable for other reasons. Some are quite picturesque. When a man's "eyes become cool," it means that he is pleased (*qarrat*  $^{C}aynuh\bar{u}$ ).<sup>3</sup> A person who "brings down his wing" for you is being

<sup>3</sup>306 (*QRR*) 1.1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>For a definition of "verbal idiom," see below ("Definition and Scope"). For the moment, a verbal idiom is a verbal compound whose meaning cannot be deduced easily from the meanings of its components.

kind to you (khafada lahū janāhahū),<sup>4</sup> but if he "bites his fingers" at you, he holds you a severe grudge (<sup>c</sup>adda <sup>c</sup>alayhi anāmilahū).<sup>5</sup> If you think you lack the gift of fluent speech, you can pray to God to "untie the knot in your tongue" (halla Cuqdata lisanihi).<sup>6'</sup> And if you want to do something the right way, you should "come to it by the entrance proper to it" (atā sh-shay'a min bābihī).<sup>7</sup> One who "throws stones" right and left on the off chance of hitting the target is making wild guesses (rajama bi l-ghaybi).8 One who "doubles up his chord and twists it" sends a message to everyone that he is a man of resolution (abrama l-amra),<sup>9</sup> but one who "roams in every valley" gives himself away as one who lacks convictions and is prone to ramble in his talk (hāma fī kulli wādin).<sup>10</sup> When "water gushes forth," it is an indication that things are coming to a head (fara t-tannuru).<sup>11</sup> And, for an individual, things do come to a head when, at the point of death, his legs fail him and become entwined (iltaffati s-saqu bi s-saqi),<sup>12</sup> or when his departing soul reaches his throat (balaghati l-hulquma).<sup>13</sup> Beware of beggars who ask for alms "wrapping themselves around you like a guilt" (alhafa s-sā'ilu),<sup>14</sup> but, should you run into one, you

<sup>4</sup>89 (KhFD) 1.2.
 <sup>5</sup>260 (CDD) 1.2.
 <sup>6</sup>70 (HLL) 1.2.
 <sup>7</sup>2 (TY) 5.
 <sup>8</sup>132 (RJM) 1.
 <sup>9</sup>18 (BRM) IV.
 <sup>10</sup>399 (HYM) 1.
 <sup>11</sup>297 (FWR) 1.
 <sup>12</sup>345 (LFF) VIII.
 <sup>13</sup>27 (BLGh) 1.2.iv.
 <sup>14</sup>340 (LHF) IV.

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should not, perhaps, "tie your hands to your neck," for you may be taken to be a niggardly person yourself ( $ja^{c}ala yadah\bar{u} maghl\bar{u}latan il\bar{a}^{c}unuqih\bar{i}$ ).<sup>15</sup> If you return from a war "on your heels" it means you have made a retreat (*nakaṣa calā caqibayhi*).<sup>16</sup> And, speaking of wars, when did one end without "laying down it arms" (*waḍacati l-ḥarbu awzārahā*)?<sup>17</sup> The Qur'ān uses these idioms, and others like them, appositely and tellingly, and they give to its language the sparkle of diamonds set in gold.

Of course not all verbal idioms in the Qur'an are as picturesque as the ones just cited. But their significance is not thereby diminished. The Qur'anic idioms, as we shall see, illustrate the typical view the Qur'an takes of life and the world.

. Because of the importance and interest they hold, the Qur'anic verbal idioms deserve attention. An understanding of them is essential to a fuller appreciation of the Qur'anic language. And it is necessary not only to understand them, but to understand them with precision. Idioms generally regarded as synonymous are sometimes used by the Qur'an in subtly different senses, and a failure to remain alert to the difference may cost in terms of meaning. For example, ma adraka and mā yudrīka appear to have the same meaning. But the Qur'anic use of them, as I have tried to explain (107 (DRY) IV.ii, n.), suggests distinctions worth noting. Sometimes the same idiom has different meanings in different context. For example, istahwadha Calayhi, in its original usage, refers to a male animal protecting his female from being approached by other males. The idiom occurs twice in the Our'an, in 4:141 and in 58:19. But while in 4:141 it means "to take sb under one's wing/protection," in 58:19 it means "to have sb in one's power" (see 73 (HWDh) X). One can see the connection between the two meanings, but, as far as the two verses are concerned, the meanings are not interchangeable. In a later section ("Uses") we shall see how a proper understanding of the Qur'anic verbal idioms can be vital to achieving a good translation of the Qur'an.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>277 (GhLL) 1.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>391 (*NKŞ*) I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup>410 (WD<sup>C</sup>) 1.2.ii.

## **Definition and Scope**

What is a verbal idiom? As a rule, the conventional definition has been adhered to: a verbal idiom is a verbal compound, more or less invariant in form, whose meaning cannot be derived easily from the combined meanings of the individual units of the compound.<sup>18</sup> But after this definition was set up, the question arose: With what rigor should it be applied? For, since some expressions are presumably more "idiomatic" than others, and, further, in some cases the idiomatic standing of an expression may be in doubt, the subject obviously could be approached with varving degrees of inclusiveness. In answering that question. I had to ask myself another: What audience should this work serve? Two types of users came to mind: the mature scholar and the relatively advanced student in the field of Qur'anic studies. In order to satisfy the needs of the latter category, it was thought desirable to work with a somewhat loose definition of the verbal idiom. The definition was further broadened in view of another consideration: paucity of existing literature in English on the subject. The material included consists of the following major categories:

1. To begin with, there are expressions with the greatest degree of difficulty—those that do not by themselves yield their meaning, or, in some cases, even the remotest clue to their meaning. Examples are: suqita fi yadihī (175 (SQT) 2), istaghshā thiyābahū (273 (GhShY) X), dhahabat rīḥuhū (124 (DhHB) 1.1.iii), tarakahu sudan (36 (TRK) 1.2), akala laḥma fulānin (7 ('KL) 1.2.vi), thanā ṣadrahū (44 (ThNY) I), ibtaghā nafaqan/sullaman fī s-samā'i (24 (BGhY) VIII.2.b), bā<sup>c</sup>ada bayna asfārihim (23 (B<sup>C</sup>D) III), taṭayyara bihī (241 (ȚYR) V), <sup>c</sup>aḍḍa <sup>c</sup>alā yadayhi (260 (<sup>C</sup>D.D) I.1), tarabbaṣa bihī d-dā'irata/rayba l-manūni (126 (RBṢ) V.3.ii and iii), and rabaṭa <sup>c</sup>alā qalbihī (127 (RBṬ) I).

2. Verb-preposition collocations are a major source of idioms in Arabic. Such a collocation is not idiomatic when its meaning represents an aggregate of the meanings of the verb and the prepositional phrase, though it becomes idiomatic if it yields a meaning greater than the sum total of the meanings of its constituents. For

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>Such a compound may include a participle or a *masdar* instead of a verb if an idiomatic construction involving a verb underlies the compound.

example, da<sup>c</sup>āhu ilayhi, when it means "to ask sb to come to/toward sb/sth," is not idiomatic, and is therefore not given. But it acquires idiomatic force when it means "to call upon sb to relieve one of a difficulty" (110 (DCW) I.3.a.i). Bada lahu in 6:28; 7:22; 20:121; 39:47, 48; 45:33 has the ordinary meaning, "to become apparent/obvious to sb," whereas in 12:35 it means "to strike one as being expedient" (15 (BDW) I); only the latter meaning is idiomatic. The ordinary meaning of dalla <sup>C</sup>alayhi is "to guide to sb/sth." But how about its use in 25:45, thumma ja<sup>c</sup>alnā sh-shamsa <sup>c</sup>alayhi dalīlan? In what sense is the sun a dalil ("guide"), keeping in mind that, in the verse, what it is supposed to guide to is the shadow of the night and not the brightness of the day? Obviously the sun does not guide one to the night, but through it or out of it (like a guide who leads one out of the desert). This somewhat peculiar use of dalla <sup>C</sup>alayhi is noted. Again, an expression containing  $b\bar{a}'$ , when the preposition is a simple transitivizer (*li t-ta<sup>C</sup>diyah*), is not listed, though sometimes this  $b\bar{a}'$  gives rise to an idiom, as in *dakhala bi l-mar'ati*<sup>19</sup> (103 (*DKhL*) l.1.b), in which case the expression is listed. Similarly, expressions containing the bar of "instrumentality" (dharicah)-e.g. dhakkara bihi (5:13)-are generally excluded, though sometimes this ba' occurs in an environment which has idiomatic import, e.g. sharrid bihim man khalfahum (195 (ShRD) II), in which case the pertinent verse is listed.

3. One of the features of Classical Arabic is the frequent use of "non-regular"<sup>20</sup> prepositions with verbs. The use is quite deliberate, and is meant to carry a *tadmin* ("implicative meaning"). The preposition, that is to say, calls for the positing of some word with which it is normally used.<sup>21</sup> To illustrate, *tāba* takes *ilā* as its regular preposition, the collocation giving the familiar meaning, "to turn to sb in repen-

<sup>19</sup>See Kash., 1:261.

<sup>20</sup>A more appropriate word than "irregular," as the following explanation will show.

<sup>21</sup>The view taken here is the one advocated by most Başran grammarians. Kūfan grammarians generally argue for prepositional *tarāduf* ("synonymity"). For a summary of the two views with copious illustrative examples, see Muḥammad Ḥasan <sup>C</sup>Awwād, *Tanāwub Hurūf al-Jarr fī Lughat al-Qur'ān* (Amman: Dār al-Furgān li n-Nashr wa t-Tawzī<sup>C</sup>, 1402/1982). tance." But in the Qur'an the verb also occurs with cala. The word rahmah (with which the use of cala would be appropriate) may be posited as the tadmin-word.<sup>22</sup> The use of non-regular prepositions thus represents one aspect of the *ijaz* ("brevity, terseness of expression") that is characteristic of Classical Arabic and of the Qur'an. When a certain word is suggested as a tadmin, the possibility that some other word may equally effectively serve as a tadmin is not excluded.

4. Although the definition of the verbal idiom given above speaks of a "verbal compound" as being the basic idiomatic unit: single words with special or uncommon meanings are also regarded as idioms for purposes of this book. Obvious cases include abbreviated idioms, such as hugga (= hugga lahū an vaf<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā [69 (HQQ) 1.2]). But there are other types also. First, there are words whose dictionary meaning may be known to the student, but whose background hides an idiom, and whose full import the student is therefore likely to miss if he does not know that background, e.g. akda (324 (KDY) IV) and tabarraja (16 (BR/) V). Another type is represented by words with extraordinary or less familiar meanings. For example, the familiar meaning of Cafa is "to forgive," but in 7:95 the verb means "to thrive/ prosper" (262 (CFW) I.1.ii). Ata in 12:93 (2 ('TY) I.4) does not mean "to come," but "to become," while in 16:26 (2 ('TY) 1.2.iii) it would not make much sense to translate it "to come"; the word should be translated "to attack." Arjafa is "to shake," but in 33:60 it means "to spread rumors" (131 (R/F) IV). Tasā'alū, "to ask one another," is not idiomatic in 78:1, but it becomes so when it means "to ask one another for help" (161 (S'L) VI.1). Also included are certain words or expressions that occur in relatively uncommon grammatical constructions, e.g. safiha nafsahū (117 (SFH) I).

5. A final category is made up of two types of expressions. (i) When it is an open question whether a certain expression, as used in

<sup>22</sup>See Tad., 1:125. Sometimes the Qur'an itself suggests the appropriate tadmin-word. In 2:37, for example, taba calayhi is followed by the tag, innahū huwa t-tawwabu r-rahīmu, the word rahīm suggesting, and vindicating, the tadmin of rahmah. It should be noted that tadmin is sometimes present also in constructions that do not involve use of a prepositional phrase. Thus single words in certain constructions (e.g. batira in 28:58 [21 (BTR) I]) may contain a tadmin.

the Qur'ān, is idiomatic or not, it is included if there is a reasonable chance that it might be. Two examples are:  $at\bar{a} sh-shay'a min b\bar{a}bih\bar{i}$  in 2:189 (2 ('TY) 1.5.b), and tahhara thiyābahū in 74:4 (236 (THR) II.ii). (ii) Certain expressions have been included because many students, it was felt, would find it difficult to explain or translate them accurately. Examples are: raghiba bihī <sup>c</sup>an ghayrihī (139 (RGhB) I), tāba lahū <sup>c</sup>an shay'in nafsan (240 (TYB) 1.3), mā rajā li llāhi waqāran (133 (RJW) I), and khālafahū ilā kadhā (95 (KhLF) III.2).

The foregoing has made it clear that the range of verbal idioms can be quite vast, depending on how one defines a verbal idiom. It is also clear that, in making my selection, I have taken a somewhat liberal—though, overall, I hope, a balanced—approach, including expressions on which an average advanced student would, I thought, appreciate to receive help, and excluding those with which he could be expected to be familiar.<sup>23</sup>

While I have tried to achieve a balance in my selection of the material, I cannot claim that the work is completely free from subjective bias. The critical user will point out errors of omission and commission.<sup>24</sup> On occasions I have offered justification for the inclusion or omission of a certain expression, but it has not been possible to do so in every single case. Nor do I think it was necessary. For, as will become clear, this work is as much interpretive as it is descriptive. Difficult decisions sometimes had to be made. In each case where a judgment had to be made, I have made one, always considering as many relevant factors as I could, never thinking that I was going to say the last word on the subject.

<sup>23</sup>The category of verbs called the  $af^{C\bar{a}l}$   $n\bar{a}qisah-k\bar{a}na$  and "her sisters"—has been omitted. Certain expressions involving the use of  $k\bar{a}na$  have, however, been included (see 334 (KWN) I). Among other omissions are the verbs  $ni^{C}ma$  and bi'sa.

<sup>24</sup>Why, for example, was hammalata *l*-hatabi (111:4) left out, for it is interpreted by some to mean "backbiting/slandering woman," a definitely idiomatic meaning? There are good reasons to believe that this is not a regular idiom of the Arabic language, and that, in the Qur'anic context at least, to interpret hamala *l*-hataba to mean "to backbite/slander" (Kash., 4:241) would be unwarranted on linguistic and hermeneutical grounds both (see Majm., 500-9; Tad., 8:636-39). It has, therefore, not been given.

### Sources

I have used sources of three types: lexicographical, poetical, and exegetical. The principal ones may be mentioned here. The first of the three categories consists of two kinds of works: (1) Dictionaries: Shartuni's Agrab al-Mawarid, an excellent work based on classical sources; Zamakhshari's Asas al-Balaghah, an indispensable source, and Raghib's Mufradat al-Qur'an, which, despite its limitations, is guite useful. (2) Works on grammar and i<sup>C</sup>rab: Ibn Hisham al-Ansari's Mughni l-Labib, and <sup>C</sup>Ukbari's Imla' Ma Manna bihi r-Rahman. The second category is also made up of two types of works: (1) Collections and anthologies: the Mu<sup>c</sup>allagat; Abū Tammām's Hamāsah; al-Mufaddal ad-Dabbi's Mufaddaliyyat; the Diwan al-Hudhaliyyin. (2) Diwans of individual poets, details of which will be found under "Key to Authors and Sources." In the final category, reliance was placed on two Qur'an commentaries, one classical and one modern—Zamakhshari's Kashshaf and Amin Ahsan Işlahi's Tadabbur-i Qur'an.<sup>25</sup> I have used these sources to achieve a better understanding of the material presented and have cited from them in order to support my understanding of that material. To them and their authors my debt is immense. Two points should be noted.

First, I have made no attempt to canvass all or most of the relevant literature. While considerations of time made such an attempt unfeasible, the nature of the work rendered the attempt unnecessary. The goal I set myself was not to provide documentation for every single Qur'anic verbal idiom cited—a task which, given the time and resources, can probably be accomplished, and in much greater detail—but for a fairly large number of the idioms, especially for the more "idiomatic" of them. And this task, I would like to think, has been accomplished to a considerable extent with the sources used. Second, in the overall scheme of the lexicographical and exegetical. It is necessary, I think, to "encounter" at first hand the language of the Qur'an, and that can be done more effectively by encountering at first hand the language of classical Arabic poetry than by going through the lexicographical and exegetical corpora. This is not to diminish the im-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>For an introduction to this work, see my book, *Coherence in the Qur'an*.

portance of the latter, only to recognize that they are works of interpretation and need to be used with critical care. This recognition has enabled me to discover fresh supporting evidence for the Qur'anic usage. Quite a few poetical verses cited in this work have perhaps never before been used in elucidating the usage of the Qur'an.

## Uses \_\_\_\_

What are the uses of this work? Basically, of course, it is meant to serve as a work of reference on an important segment of the Qur'anic vocabulary.<sup>26</sup> But the question may be answered in more specific terms as follows.

1. It is an old complaint that the Qur'an in translation is an altogether different book than the Qur'an in the original. It is reasonable to expect that a good English translation of the Qur'an, one that is both accurate and readable, can be produced. For such a translation to come into existence, however, some necessary groundwork has to be laid, and this groundwork hardly exists.<sup>27</sup> This being the case, it should come as no surprise that the existing English translations of the Qur'an have proved unsatisfactory. In the following paragraphs I shall offer a few examples to illustrate how a failure to understand-in some cases, even recognize-verbal idioms in the Qur'an has led to a less-than-perfect translation. The examples are taken from two representative translations of the Qur'an, those made by Marmaduke Pickthall (MP) and Arthur J. Arberry (AJA).<sup>28</sup> To the extent the renderings cited reflect the understandings of other Qur'an scholars-exegetes, for example-the criticism made of the renderings would apply to those scholars' works as well.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup>As said above, this work is intended primarily for the scholar and the relatively advanced student in the field of Qur'anic studies. But it will be found useful, it is hoped, by Arabists in general. For while it is a study of the Qur'anic verbal idioms, it may also be regarded as a study of the Arabic verbal idioms with data taken from the Qur'an.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup>A simple test question is: How many word-studies of the Qur'an exist in English?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup>Page numbers for the verses cited from the two works are not given.

a. A ra'ayta in 18:63 (125 (R'Y) I.1.ii) does not mean "Didst thou see" (MP), or "What thinkest thou?" (AJA). It is an idiomatic expression indicating hesitation and reluctance on the part of the speaker, and is equivalent to the English, "Well, you see!"

b. Bayyata in 4:81, 108; and 27:49 (32 (BYT) II) does not necessarily imply doing something by night (4:81: "a party of them spend the night in planning" [MP], "a party of them meditate all night" [A]A]; 4:108: "He is with them by night when they . . . " [MP], "while they meditate at night discourse . . . " [A]A]; 27:49: "... that we verily will attack him and his household by night" [MP], "We will attack him and his family by night" [A]A]). Used idiomatically, the word undergoes a shift of meaning: not nocturnal, but furtive action is signified. A number of other words, e.g. sabbaha and ghadā, undergo a similar shift of meaning.

c. Hal yasta $t\bar{t}^{C}u$  rabbuka in 5:112 (237 ( $TW^{C}$ ) X.1.iii) is not a question about the ability or competence of God to do something: "Is thy Lord able to . . . "(MP), "Is your Lord able to . . . " (AJA). The use of *istat* $\bar{t}^{C}a$  is idiomatic, and is analgous to "Could you (kindly)?" in English.

d. *Ijtabā* in 7:203 (46 (*JBY*) VIII.1) does not mean "to choose," which, in translating *li ma la jtabaytahā*, hardly makes sense ("Why hast thou not chosen it?" [MP], "Why hast thou not chosen one?" [AJA]). In the context in which it appears, it means "to invent, make up, concoct."

e. *Ibtaghāhu* means idiomatically "to wish to have contact/ dealings with sb/sth," and *lā nabtaghī l-jāhilīna* in 28:55 (24 (*BGhY*) VIII.1.i(b)) means: "We wish to have nothing to do with ignorant people." Cf. "We desire not the ignorant" (MP and AJA).

f. Ṣāra ilayhi means "to go to sb," but, as an idiom, it means "(of a matter) to be up to sb to decide, be in sb's hands." The distinction is subtle but important, and seems to have been missed in translating alā ilā llāhi taṣīru l-umūru (42:53 [220 (ṢYR) I]): "Do not all things reach Allāh at last?" (MP), "Surely unto God all things come home" (AJA).

g. Wa li yubliya minhu balā'an ḥasanan (8:17 [28 (BLY) |V|) is again an idiom, and Arberry's "And that He might confer on the believers a fair benefit" is, to give the translator the benefit of the doubt, a translation of the implied meaning of the expression, not of the expression itself, which means, "And so that God might enable the

believers to prove their mettle." Pickthall's "that He might test the believers by a fair test from Him" is too literal and does not bring out the spirit of the idiom.

h. It is difficult to say what Arberry had in mind when he translated fa darabnā <sup>c</sup>alā ādhānihim fī l-kahfi (18:11 [221 (DRB) l.2.a]) "Then We smote their ears many years in the Cave" (AJA); cf. MP: "Then We sealed up their hearing in the Cave."

i. Tanāza<sup>C</sup>ū amrahum does not always mean "(of a people) to dispute a matter." In certain contexts it may have a non-disputatious sense, meaning simply "to exchange thoughts on a matter, discuss a subject," and this is the meaning it has in 20:62 (376 ( $NZ^{C}$ ) VI.2.ii). Cf. "Then they debated one with another . . . " (MP), "And they disputed upon their plan" (AJA).

j. Raja<sup>C</sup>a ilā nafsihī means "to engage in self-examination, subject oneself to scrutiny." The idiom occurs in 21:64 (130 (R/C) 1.2.ii): fa raja<sup>C</sup>ū ilā anfusihim. But the following renderings hardly give a clue to its meaning: "Then gathered they apart" (MP), "So they returned one to another" (AJA).

2. Idioms are, by definition, resistant to change in form and meaning. That is an important reason for studying the Qur'ānic verbal idioms: they provide a striking illustration of the change that, using its particular perspective, the Qur'ān wrought in the Arabic language. Formally as well as semantically, Arabic verbal idioms undergo a profound change in the Qur'ān: as with everything else, they become thoroughly imbued with the religio-ethical spirit of the Qur'ān. The following remarks are meant to stimulate thought on this subject.

A good way of appreciating the Qur'anic transformation of the Arabic language is to compare the Qur'anic use of certain idioms with their use in Classical Arabic.<sup>29</sup> On making such a comparison, one is immediately struck by the characteristic atmosphere of the world of the Qur'anic language. In this world we speak of "seeking the face of God" (*ibtaghā wajha llāhi*);<sup>30</sup> of the "sealing of hearts" by God

<sup>29</sup>By "Classical Arabic" is here meant—essentially, if not exclusively—pre-Islamic Arabic.

<sup>30</sup>24 (BGhY) VIII.1.iii.

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(*khatama/taba<sup>c</sup>a llāhu <sup>c</sup>alā galbihī*);<sup>31</sup> of "grasping the Firm Tie" (*istamsaka bi l-<sup>c</sup>urwati l-wuthqā*).<sup>32</sup> The basic tension or conflict here is that between the moral categories of good and evil, and the idioms reflect that: we hear of "purifying one's heart" (*tahhara thiyābahū*)<sup>33</sup> and of "smothering one's nobler self" (*dassā nafsahū*);<sup>34</sup> of reinforcing the divinely-sanctioned ties of kinship (*waṣala raḥimahū*)<sup>35</sup> and of severing them (*qaṭa<sup>c</sup>a raḥimahū*).<sup>36</sup> There are some people who humbly submit to God (*aslama wajhahū li llāhi*),<sup>37</sup> while others wander about in their rebelliousness (*camiha fī tughyānihī*).<sup>38</sup> Some serve God diligently, praying to Him to give them—literally, "pour" on them—the ability to persevere in the way of truth (*afragha <sup>c</sup>alayhi ṣabran*),<sup>39</sup> while others go astray, as a result of which God "pours" punishment on them (*ṣabba llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi sawṭa <sup>c</sup>adhābin*).<sup>40</sup> This is a world in which the scales become "heavy" with good deeds (*thaqulat mawāzīnuhū*).<sup>42</sup>

<sup>31</sup>79 (KhTM) I; 250 (TB<sup>C</sup>) I.

<sup>32</sup>360 (MSK) X.

<sup>33</sup>236 (THR) II.

34109 (DSY) II.

<sup>35</sup>409 (WSL) I.1:

<sup>36</sup>313 (QT<sup>C</sup>).

<sup>37</sup>182 (SLM) IV.

<sup>38</sup>269 (<sup>C</sup>MH) 1.2.

<sup>39</sup>285 (FRGh) IV.

<sup>40</sup>204 (*SBB*) 1.

<sup>41</sup>43 (*ThQL*) 1.1.ii.

<sup>42</sup>90 (KhFF) 1.

Tarakahū sudan<sup>43</sup> here no longer means "to let cattle graze unchecked," it makes reference to a moral agent-man-who, we are told, will be held responsible for his actions and will not be allowed to "get away with it." Iqtahama I-Cagabata comes to mean "to perform a good deed," and not simply "to rush up a mountain pass," the difficulty attributed to going up a mountain pass having been attributed to the performance of a good deed.<sup>44</sup>  $Anasa^{45}$  is here used not for an animal possessed of sharp senses, one, for example, that can "sense" danger from afar; it is used with a guardian as subject-the verse saying that the moment the guardian "senses" maturity in his ward, he should hand over his property to him, thus discharging his obligation to him. Akala lahmahū means "to backbite sb" (lit: to eat sb's flesh); in the Qur'an the expression becomes akala lahma akhihi<sup>46</sup> ("to backbite one's brother" (lit: to eat the flesh of one's brother-that is, one's brother in faith), the word akh ("brother") carrying within itself a strong moral sanction against backbiting: one does not eat the flesh of one's brother in faith. Rana<sup>47</sup> is not used simply for drowsiness overtaking a person, but for depravity taking control of a man's heart.

#### Format

The work has twenty-eight main "chapters," each representing one letter of the Arabic alphabet, and 420 sequentially numbered main entries. The idioms are arranged according to Arabic roots. The first letter of the root of the principal verb<sup>48</sup> in an idiom identifies the chapter in which the idiom occurs. Within a given chapter, an idiom occupies the position determined by the order of the root letters of its verb. Thus all idioms, the first root letter of whose verbs is *ham*-

<sup>43</sup>36 (*TRK*) 1.2.

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44301 (QHM) VIII.
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<sup>45</sup>12 (*'NS*) IV.

<sup>46</sup>7 (*'KL*) 1.2.vi.

47150 (RYN) I.

<sup>48</sup>In place of a verb, as noted above, there may be a *masdar* or a participle.

zah, occur in the first chapter, "Hamzah"; within this chapter, an 'TY idiom precedes an 'KhDh idiom, which in turn precedes an 'LF idiom.

An entry begins with the listing, in **boldface**, of the root number followed by the root itself.

Within the compass of a given root, several divisions are made, using numerals and letters in boldface. The principal division made is that between the Verb Forms.<sup>49</sup> After listing the entry number and the root, the Form of the verb is identified using a capital Roman numeral, and the verb is given in transliteration, with single blank spaces inserted between the letters. Double spacing is used to mark off the treatment of one Verb Form from that of another.

Under a particular Verb Form, idioms are distinguished from one another in respect of whether they consist of a simple intransitive use of a verb (indicated by VB) or of a verb used with another syntactical unit, e.g. with an object (+ OBJ), a predicate (+ PREDICATE), a preposition (+ PREP), a *hāl* (+ HĀL), a *zart*<sup>50</sup> (+ ZARF), or a *tamyīz* (+ TAMYĪZ). Sometimes a verb may have two objects<sup>51</sup> (+ OBJ + OBJ), or take two prepositions, both part of the same idiom (+ PREP + PREP). The basic order in which the idioms are arranged is as follows: VB; + OBJ; + PREDICATE; + PREP; + HĀL; + ZARF; + TAMYĪZ. Verbs that are used with one other syntactical unit are followed by verbs with two, and these by verbs with three such units. Thus: VB . . . + TAMYĪZ; + OBJ + OBJ; + OBJ + PREP; + OBJ + HĀL; + OBJ + ZARF; + OBJ + TAMYĪZ; + OBJ + PREP. . . . . These "headings" are indicated by Arabic numerals, but only when

<sup>50</sup>A word about the terms "preposition" and zarf. Words like bayna and *Cinda* are called *zurūf* (pl. of *zarf*) in classical, but prepositions in Western works on Arabic grammar. I have treated them as prepositions, using the term *zarf* for a noun in the accusative that occurs in the position of *maqām* in 5:107: *qāma maqāma fulānin* (320 (QWM) 1.4), or for the word *haythu*.

<sup>51</sup>That is, the *maf<sup>c</sup>ūl* awwal ("first object") and *maf<sup>c</sup>ūl* thānin ("second object") of Arabic.

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there are at least two of them under a given Verb Form; otherwise they are not numbered.

If a verb takes a preposition, the preposition is given in brackets after the + PREP notation, thus: + PREP [fi]. If it takes, say, two different prepositions in two different constructions, small letters are used to identify the prepositions after a single + PREP notation (thus: + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]), the same letters being used to identify the places in the text where these verb-preposition units are treated. If the two prepositions occur in the same construction, the notation + PREP + PREP is used, thus: + PREP [ $cal\bar{a}$ ] + PREP [ $b\bar{a}$ ]. For convenience' sake, the prepositions are listed in English rather than Arabic alphabetical order, and the diacritics are discounted, thus: + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b. fi; c.  $il\bar{a}$ ], rather than + PREP [a.  $il\bar{a}$ ; b.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; c. fi].

After the heading, the idiom is given in skeletal form and translated. If the idiom has two or more senses, they are marked off by small Roman numerals (i, ii, iii, etc.). This division follows any higher order immediately preceding it, e.g. the Verb-Form division (I, II, III, etc.) or the PREP division (a, b, c, etc.).

The order of division marked (a), (b), (c), etc., represents a subdivision of the order marked by small Roman numerals.

The next and last order of division is marked (i), (ii), (iii), etc.

Here is an illustration of the format, using (with some omissions) the entries under the root LQY.

#### 347. LQY

 l a q i y a + OBJ laqiyahū:
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 ii.
 ii.
 ii.
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 ii.

IV. alqā

1. VB algā: i. ii. 2. + OBJ . . . 3. + PREP  $[f_i]$ 4. + OBJ + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bayna; c. fī; d. ilā] a. algāhu <sup>C</sup>alayhi: i. ii. iii. b. algāhu bayna: c. algāhu fi: d. algāhu ilayhi: **i.** (a) **(b)** ii. (a) (b) (i) (ii) . . . . . . 5. + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$  + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ V. talaqqā 1. VB 2. + OBI 3. + OB] + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

While it was necessary to furnish these details about the format, it goes without saying that using the work a few times will familiarize one with the format more quickly and effectively (see also "Locating an Idiom: Examples," below).

#### Method of Citation

The standard Egyptian edition of the Qur'an is used for purposes of verse-numbering.

As a rule, the quotations from the Qur'an are brief,<sup>52</sup> illustrating the idioms in question only. A colon separates the *sūrah* from the verse number, a comma separates two occurrences of an idiom in the same *sūrah*, and a semi-colon separates the occurrences in different *sūrahs*. Essentially the same formula is used when citing from other sources.

The Qur'anic form of an idiom may differ from the essential, skeletal form of it, and it is under the latter that the Qur'anic idiom is listed.<sup>53</sup> Thus  $ab\bar{a}$  illa an yaf<sup>C</sup>ala kadhā is given under + OBJ because the verb, together with the exceptive particle and the maşdar, is equivalent to a direct object (1 ('BY) 1.1). Similarly, when the preposition min is zā'idah (see Glossary), signifying generality (at-tanṣīṣ <sup>C</sup>alā l-<sup>C</sup>umūm), as in 5:6 (mā yurīdu llāhu li yaj<sup>C</sup>ala <sup>C</sup>alaykum min ḥarajin [48 (J<sup>C</sup>L) 1.3.a.iii)), the prepositional phrase is construed as a direct object of the verb (thus, min ḥarajin = ḥarajan), and the verse is listed under + OBJ.<sup>54</sup>

Sometimes a skeletal construction, after it has been given and translated, would appear to pose no problem, and so it was considered sufficient to cite the relevant idioms by *sūrah* and verse. In most cases, however, illustrative examples from the Qur'ān are provided, followed by references to other occurrences, if any. Under

<sup>52</sup>Quotations from other works, too, are generally brief. As a result, incomplete sentences are sometimes quoted.

 $^{53}$ On occasion the skeletal form is skipped and only the idiom as it occurs in the Qur'an is given. This is done usually when the difference between the skeletal and the Qur'anic forms of the idiom is only a slight one and the former can be figured out easily from the latter.

<sup>54</sup>Likewise,  $l\bar{a}m$  is sometimes inserted (*muqhamah*) between the two terms of an *idāfah* construction (see *Mugh.*, 1:238). In categorizing a verse with such a construction, the  $l\bar{a}m$  is discounted. *Mumsikun lahū*, for example, would be interpreted as *mumsikuhū*, which in turn yields the skeletal form, *amsakahū*. 35:2 (*fa lā mumsika lahā*) is thus found at the + OBJ heading at 360 (*MSK*) IV. a particular heading, verses are normally arranged following the order of the Qur'anic surahs, but that order is modified when necessary.

When listing idioms, brackets are used to indicate (1) that an idiom occurs more than once in a verse; (2) that a *masdar* or a participle occurs in place of a verb in an idiom; (3) that a certain syntactical unit (e.g. an object or a prepositional phrase) has been suppressed; and (4) that only a certain phrase or construction in a verse is being referred to.

For practical considerations, as a rule, a verb in the passive voice is treated as if it were a transitive verb with its object expressed, and is listed as such, even if the verb happens to be intransitive—e.g. suqita fi yadihī (7:149), which is given under the heading + OBJ + PREP [fi] at 175 (SQT) 1.2. Passive participles are similarly treated.

An asterisk signals that an exact quote from the Qur'ān is going to follow. The asterisk is used regularly except when the Qur'ānic form of an idiom is identical with the skeletal form of it, or when (as in the explanatory notes) it is not crucial to indicate that a particular phrase is an exact quote from the Qur'ān. Identical quotes are given only once,<sup>55</sup> with the *sūrah*-and-verse numbers indicating where they occur. If two quotes are to be cited, and they differ in wording, they will be cited separately, no matter how slight the difference between them. The word *Also*, in italic type, is used to list, using *sūrah*-andverse numbers, any additional occurrences of the idiom. All occurrences of all idioms cited are given.

Works other than the Qur'ān are cited by page or by volume and page, with the names of the authors and books usually abbreviated. Asās, 105 means p. 105 of Asās al-Balāghah, and Aq., 1:276 means vol. 1, p. 276 of Aqrab al-Mawārid.<sup>56</sup> Volumes of poetry are similarly cited. In the citation, Ham., 3:655/2, Ham. is the name of the work (Sharḥ Dīwān al-Ḥamāsah), 3 is the volume number, 655 is the page number, and the figure 2 after the slash is the verse number as it

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup>There is one exception: 101 (KhWY) I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup>In citing from lexicographical works, the root under which a certain entry is found in those works is specified only if it happens to be different than the root of the Qur'anic words being discussed. Thus, at 7 (KL), an KL entry from Agrab al-Mawarid will be cited by volume and page only, but, in citing an entry from a root other than KL, the pertinent root will also be specified.

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appears on that page. If the number after the slash is given in brackets, it means that the verses are unnumbered in the work quoted, and that the verse was assigned a number, counting the first verse on a given page as verse 1.57 If a poetical verse is cited in full, a slash separates the two hemistichs.

### **Translation and Explanatory Notes**

I have given my own translation of all quoted material, including the Qur'anic verses.

An attempt is made to provide an idiomatic translation of the material quoted, but conjointly with the attempt (especially in the case of the Qur'ānic verses) to ensure fidelity to the original. Parenthetic material is frequently added to clarify the meaning or supply gaps (especially since quotes from the Qur'ān are generally brief).

A lack of correspondence will sometimes appear to exist between the Qur'anic verses quoted and the English translation provided. This is again due to the brevity of the Qur'anic quotes, and it should be remembered that the translation was made with the complete verse in mind.

Sometimes the translation given of idioms under two or more Verb Forms from the same root will be identical or very similar. In many such cases it is assumed, in accordance with a maxim that I think has general philological validity, that the Form with the greater number of letters represents in some sense a greater intensity of meaning.<sup>58</sup>

The explanatory notes are set off from the rest of the text by double-spacing at the beginning and at the end, are indented on both sides, and have a smaller font. They are used for a variety of pur-

<sup>57</sup>In commentaries on poetical works, interspersed between the verses of a poem may be found other verses. Such verses are *not* counted.

<sup>58</sup>Ziyādatu l-hurūfi tadullu <sup>c</sup>alā ziyādati l-ma<sup>c</sup>nā, that is, "An increment of letters implies an increment of meaning." The maxim holds, for example, in the case of qaruba and iqtaraba, the latter implying that something has quite close (cf. 54:1: iqtarabati s-sā<sup>c</sup>atu, "The Hour has drawn very close"), as against the former ("to come close"). In other cases, the semantic properties of the Verb Forms will suggest how two verbs that have different Forms but the same root carry different shades of meaning. 47

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poses: (1) To present a fuller explanation of an idiom and clarify obscure points. (2) To provide attestation, in the form of shawahid ("proof-texts"; sing. shahid) for the Qur'anic usage. The shawahid, it should be noted, may not always correspond in form to the Quranic idioms. Thus, a particular shahid may lack the prepositional phrase contained in the Qur'anic verse cited, or it may involve use of a different Verb Form than the one found in a Qur'anic idiom. As long as it has significant probative value, it is considered relevant. A shahid is supposed to have such value if it constitutes a direct corroboration of the Qur'anic usage, highlights the essential sense of the Qur'anic idiom, or enriches one's understanding of the latter by providing the base meaning on which the Qur'an builds or which the Qur'an modifies to suit its purposes. (3) To explain the difference between apparently similar idioms. (4) To offer observations on points of language and style. (5) To justify a particular categorization of an idiom. (6) To explain why certain expressions are not included. (7) To indicate the presence of tadmin. (8) To offer brief exegetical notes where helpful. (9) To list cross-references.

Unless otherwise indicated, a body of notes pertains to the citation or group of citations in the immediately preceding division of the material.

#### Locating an Idiom: Examples

A few examples of how to locate a particular idiom are given below. They do not cover every conceivable case, but they will serve to orientate the user. $^{59}$ 

In order to locate a verbal idiom that occurs in a particular Qur'anic verse, one should begin by identifying the following:

1. The root and Form of the main verb in the idiom.

2. The skeletal form of the idiom (e.g. laqiyahū).

3. The heading under which the idiom is likely to be found (e.g. VB, + OB), or + PREP).

<sup>59</sup>Since the work is meant for those who already have a background in Arabic, some knowledge of Arabic grammar and of the Arabic lexicographical conventions is assumed on the part of the user. There is no large-scale use of Arabic grammatical terms, and the terms that have been used are explained when they occur or in the Glossary.

This done, a quick glance down the entries should lead to the verse containing the idiom; the verse will either be quoted in full or in part, or referred to by  $s\bar{u}rah$  and verse only. Let us take a few examples.

11:5 begins with these words:  $al\bar{a}$  innahum yathnūna sudūrahum. Yathnūna sudūrahum is an idiom; its skeletal form is thanā sadrahū, giving the heading + OBJ. The root of the verb is ThNY, and the Form is I. The idiom will be found at 44 (ThNY) I, heading + OBJ.

In 27:47 one reads:  $q\bar{a}l\bar{u}$  <u>ttayarnā</u> bika wa man ma<sup>c</sup>aka. The skeletal form of <u>ittayarnā</u> bika is tatayyara bihī, giving the heading + PREP. The root of the verb is *TYR*, and the Form, V. The idiom is found at 241 (*TYR*) V, heading + PREP (which, incidentally, is the only heading under that root), at Also.

In 33:37 we read: fa lamma qada zaydun minha wataran zawwajnakaha. Following the method suggested above, we find the idiom at 312 (QPY), I [Verb Form], 4 [heading: + OB] + PREP], c [where the third of the three prepositions listed at 4, i.e. min, is treated].

16:92, tattakhidhūna aymānakum dakhalan baynakum has the skeletal form, ittakhadhahū dakhalan bayna n-nāsi; the heading is + OBJ + OBJ + PREP. The idiom will be found at 4 ('KhDh) VIII.4.

Now let us look at some more complicated examples. 10:22 contains the expression,  $uh\bar{i}ta$  bihim. It was explained earlier that verbs in the passive voice are supposed to have the structure + OBJ. Uh $\bar{i}ta$ , therefore, is equivalent to + OBJ. Since the expression also has a prepositional phrase, the heading would be: + OBJ + PREP. The idiom occurs at 74 (HWT) IV.2.ii. Following a similar procedure, fa duriba baynahum bi sūrin (57:13) will be found at 221 (DRB) 1.3.c. Here it will be noted, however, that the prepositional phrase, bi sūrin, was not considered essential to the idiom, and so the preposition  $b\bar{a}'$  was disregarded for purposes of categorizing the idiom.

In 17:29, wa lā taj<sup>c</sup>al yadaka maghlūlatan ilā <sup>c</sup>unuqika, the verb ja<sup>c</sup>ala has two objects, yad and maghlūlah. The preposition ilā, although it goes with maghlūlah (the underlying construction being: ghallahū ilā <sup>c</sup>unuqihī) and may thus be regarded, together with the second object, as a single unit (giving the heading +OBJ + OBJ) is taken to constitute, together with its object, an independent unit, the verse thus yielding the construction, ja<sup>c</sup>ala yadahū maghlūlatan ilā <sup>c</sup>unuqihī, the heading being + OBJ + OBJ + PREP. The idiom is listed, in skeletal form, at 48 (J<sup>c</sup>L) 1.4 (also at 1.2.vii), but the user is referred to 277 (GhLL) 1.2, for, in this case, ghalla was considered to be the main verb.

Whenever the expected heading is found to be absent or a particular idiom found missing under it, one should examine the Qur'ānic form of the idiom more closely, trying to think of other possible skeletal forms it could have, and then look for it under the likely heading. For example, wa asmi<sup>C</sup> (18:26) should be found at 183 (SM<sup>C</sup>) IV, heading VB. There is no such heading, however. The phrase is found at the heading + PREP since the underlying construction is asmi<sup>C</sup> bihī. In most cases, if an idiom is not listed where expected, an indication is provided as to where it is given.

As pointed out earlier, some roots have under them a large number of idiomatic expressions. A quick glance at the entries under them may not instantaneously lead one to the desired idiom, but the time taken to find it will not, it is hoped, exceed the time taken to locate a particular expression in a long article in a dictionary.

#### Conclusion

This work underscores the importance of studying the language of the Qur'ān with punctilious rigor. Isolating, and then studying in some detail, an important part of the Qur'ānic vocabulary, I have tried to show that Qur'ānic usage is marked by richness and variety, discernment and subtlety, precision and consistency. Linguistically, after all, the Qur'ān is not as "simple" as it might appear to be.

The best guide to the Qur'anic verbal idioms is, it has been my endeavor to show, the Qur'an itself, a context-based study of them yielding (as in the case of *istaḥwadha <sup>c</sup>alayhi* [see above, "Preliminary"]) the most accurate and satisfactory interpretation. And if contextualization is crucial to a proper understanding of individual expressions, so much more crucial it must be to a proper understanding of Qur'anic ideas and concepts. Discussion of this last point falls outside the scope of our subject, but, if the basic contention of this work is correct, the point follows logically and necessarily.

I am, as I said earlier, greatly indebted to the lexicographical and exegetical sources I have used; without them I could not have completed this work. And yet I would hope that the present work will generate a certain skepticism—a healthy skepticism—toward such sources. For, as the user will have occasion to note, at times the ex-

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planations given in such sources are conditioned or influenced by notions and understanings reached on extra-literary and extra-linguistic grounds. As I approached the end of this project, I became more convinced than ever before that, on the whole, classical Arabic poetry is a better guide to Qur'ānic usage, and that the lexicographical and exegetical sources, indispensable though they are, need to be subjected to scrutiny in the light of that poetry. I would, therefore, like to make a plea for a direct study of the Qur'ānic text, with the aid primarily of classical poetical works and secondarily of lexicographical and exegetical literature.<sup>60</sup>

Providing "perfect" English renderings of Qur'ānic verses was not one of the objectives of this work. Nevertheless, since the work deals with an important segment of the Qur'ānic vocabulary, one that has not received the attention it deserves—and one whose potential I do not claim to have exhausted—the renderings offered may be of some aid in the production of a better English translation of the Qur'ān in the future. It is in any case hoped that this book will contribute, if in a small way, to a better understanding of the Qur'ānic language and—since language is the vehicle of thought—of Qur'ānic thought as well.

<sup>60</sup>In making this point I am actually borrowing from Amīn Ahsan Islāhī, author of *Tadabbur-i Qur'ān*. This modern Qur'ān commentary, one of the finest ever written—in fact unique in some respects in the whole Qur'ānic exegetical tradition—is remarkable not only for its contextualized interpretation of the Qur'ān but also for its author's attempt to explain Qur'ānic usage with reference to classical Arabic poetry. Although Islāhī does not frequently cite Arabic verses—he was not sure the common reader would appreciate the value of such material, and the discussions in the book, at any rate, had to be kept brief (the book is a mere eight volumes!)—his understanding of the Qur'ānic language derives from a deep study of the language of classical poetry, and is, to a very large extent, free from the "impedimenta" of the later interpretive works.

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# VERBAL IDIOMS OF THE QUR'AN

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## HAMZAH

#### 1. 'BY

#### I. abā

+ OBJ

*abā illā kadhā/illā an yaf<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā,* to be determined to do/have sth, insist/be set on doing/having sth:

\*wa ya'bā llāhu illā an yutimma nūrahū, And God is determined to bring His light [= His religion] to perfection: 9:32.

\*fa abā aktharu n-nāsi illā kufūran, But most people are bent upon disbelieving: 17:89; 25:50.

Also: 17:99.

Grammatically, the construction is an *istithna' mufarragh* (*Mugh.*, 2:753), with *aba* interpreted to mean *lam yurid* (as in 9:32 [ibid.; *Kash.*, 2:149]) or *lam yarda* (as in 17:89 [ibid., 2:375]). In the Qur'an, only *masdars* are used in this construction, but a substantive may also be used, as in some of the examples below.

Qays, 92/13: wa ya'bā jam<sup>c</sup>ukum illā firāran/wa ya'bā jam<sup>c</sup>unā illā wurūdā, "Your troops are bent upon fleeing, whereas ours are determined to make it to the battlefield." Nāb., 53/35: abā llāhu illā <sup>c</sup>adlahū wa wafā'ahū, "God insists on doing justice and fulfilling his commitments." Abū Dhu'ayb, D. al-Hudh., 1:21/[3]: abā l-qalbu illā umma <sup>c</sup>amrin, "My heart desires Umm <sup>c</sup>Amr, and only her" (cf. Ham., 3:1344/1). Also, Durayd ibn aṣ-Ṣimmah, Ham., 2:824/4; <sup>c</sup>Amr ibn Kulthūm, Qas., 427/92; Ibn Muq., 142/3.

Cf. the expression, *lam yarḍa illa kadhā,* as in Sa<sup>c</sup>d ibn Nāshib, Ḥam., 1:74/9: wa lam yarḍa illā qā'ima s-sayfi ṣāḥibā, "For his companion he would have the hilt of the sword, nothing else."

2. TY

I. atā

1. VB

The use in two verses should be noted:

i. In 20:69, haythu atā means literally "wherever he arrives." But the verse does not describe movement, but a situation—one involving a contest between Moses and Pharaoh's magicians, and so it means: A sorcerer does not succeed/come to any good, no matter what situation he finds himself in. Further, the context gives the verb atā the sense of doing or performing something (cf. 2.i below), so that haythu atā also carries the connotation: No matter what he comes up with/ what tricks he pulls out of his bag.

Cf. Kash., 2:440.

ii. In 41:11, atā does not mean "to come," but rather, "to submit/ surrender":

\*fa qāla lahā wa li l-ardi 'tiyā taw<sup>C</sup>an aw karhan qālatā ataynā  $t\bar{a}'iC\bar{n}a$ , He said to them [heavens] and to the earth, 'Submit, willingly or unwillingly.' They said, 'We submit willingly.'

Cf. Zamakhsharī (Kash., 3:385), who offers two—somewhat tortuous—explanations of the Qur'anic construction: (1) i'tiyā <sup>c</sup>alā mā yanbaghī an ta'tiyā <sup>c</sup>alayhi mina sh-shakli wa I-waṣfi; (2) li ta'ti kullu wāḥidatin minkumā ṣāḥibatahā I-ityāna Iladhī urīduhū....

2. + OBJ

atāhu:

i. to do sth, perform/commit an act:

atā I-fāḥishata, to commit a flagrantly immoral act [e.g. adultery or sodomy]: 4:15, 16; 7:80; 27:54; 29:28.

\*wa ta'tūna fī nādīkumu l-munkara, And you commit evil acts in your meeting-places/public places: 29:29.

\*alladhina yafrahuna bi mā ataw, Those who are pleased with what they have done: 3:188 [obj und].

Kash., 1:256 (on 4:15).

Sa<sup>c</sup>d ibn Nāshib, Ham., 1:71/6: wa lam ya'ti mā ya'tī mina lamri hā'ibā, "There is nothing he does that he does out of fear." A poet from the Harb, ibid., 4:1716/4: innā idhā mā ataynā amra makrumatin, "When we perform a noble and generous act." Lab., 94/60: wa ya'tī l-ghayya munqati<sup>c</sup>a lciqālī, "And he commits transgression/wrongs unchecked [lit: unhampered by a hobbling chord]." Also al-<sup>c</sup>Ajlān ibn Khulayd, D. al-Hudh., 3:112/[1].

See also 55 (*Y*?) l.1. Cf. 3.b.i, with n.

ii. to become involved in/affected by sth, be drawn into sth:

\*a fa ta'tūna s-siķra wa antum tubsirūna, Will you, then, be taken in by magic, seeing [everything] as you do? 21:3.

iii. to come at/attack sb/sth:

\*wa ya'tūkum min fawrihim, And should they make a surprise attack on you: 3:125.

\*thumma la ātiyannahum min bayni aydīhim wa min khalfihim, Then I shall attack them from the front and from the rear: 7:17.

\*fa atā llāhu bunyānahum mina l-qawā<sup>C</sup>idi, And God struck at the very base of their structure: 16:26.

Also: 59:2.

Utiya fulānun, "to be attacked." Aq., 1:3. Utiya fulānun min ma'manihī, "Ruin came to him from a quarter he had considered safe." Ibid., 3:3. CAmr ibn Kulthūm, Qas., 318/78: wa annā I-muhlikūna idhā utīnā, "And we destroy [people] when we are attacked [by them]." Al-Kalhabah al-CUranī, Mufadd., 21/2: wa nādā munādī I-hayyi an qad utītumū, "And a crier from the tribe cried out, 'You are under attack!" (Also, Ţufayl ibn CAwf al-Ghanawī, Krenk., 62/2, and Hass., 272/2.) In the following verse by Nābighah (100/17), which is highly representative, the literal and the transferred meanings of atā are present simultaneously: wa banū quCaynin lā mahalata annahumlātūka ghayra muqallamī I-azfārī, "And the Banū QuCayn will certainly come to you/attack you with unpared nails."

Cf. <sup>C</sup>Abd al-Hamīd al-Farāhī, *Mufradāt al-Qur'ān* (Azam Garh, India: Ad-Dā'irah al-Hamīdiyyah, 1358), 21, who explains atā in 16:26 and 59:2 as a*darra,* "to cause harm/ damage."

iv. to have sexual intercourse with sb:

(a) atā l-mar'ata, to have sexual intercourse with a woman: 2:222.

(b) atā r-rajula/dh-dhakara: to perform sodomy on sb:

\*innakum la ta'tūna r-rijāla shahwatan min dūni n-nisā'i, Ignoring women, you take males as the object of your carnal desire: 7:81.

Also: 26:165; 27:55; 29:29.

(c) In 2:223 a wife is likened to a field, and the expression  $at\bar{a}$  harthah $\bar{u}$  therefore means: to have sexual intercourse with one's wife:

\*fa 'tū harthakum annā shi'tum, Go in to your fields in the manner you like: 2:223.

Tad., 1:483.

3. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bā']

a. atā <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to come upon sb/sth:

(a) (lit):

\*fa ataw  $Cal\bar{a}$  qawmin, Then they came upon a people: 7:138. (b) (fig: of time):

\*hal atā ¢alā l-insāni hīnun mina d-dahri lam yakun shay'an madhkūran, Has there ever come upon man a time when he was a thing of no account? 76:1.

Mutammim ibn Nuwayrah, Mufadd., 79/45: wa la ya'tiyanna <sup>c</sup>alayka yawmun marratan/yubkā <sup>c</sup>alayka muqanna<sup>c</sup>an lā tasma<sup>c</sup>ū, "A day is certainly going to come upon you when you will be mourned, lying enshrouded as you will be and unable to hear." (The verse is also attributed to Abū Dhu'ayb, D. al-Hudh., 1:3/[6], and, with a slight variation, to Nahār ibn Tawsi<sup>c</sup>ah, Ham., 2:954/5.) Also, Imr., 89/2; Ibn Muq., 109/10, 243/23; Abū Khirāsh, D. al-Hudh., 2:153/[6]. Cf. marra <sup>c</sup>alā, as in Mutammim ibn Nuwayrah, Mufadd., 77/37, and Rabī<sup>c</sup>ah ibn Maqrūm, ibid., 355/2.

ii. to reach a place from where one can overlook sth:

\*hattā idhā ataw <sup>c</sup>alā wādī n-namli, Until, when they reached a place overlooking the Valley of Ants: 27:18.

Taking the first of the two explanations of the use of cala suggested by Zamakhshari (Kash., 3:137): . . . anna ityanahum kana min fawqu.

iii. to pass by sth:

wa la qad ataw <sup>c</sup>alā l-qaryati llatī umtirat matara s-saw'i, And they have certainly passed by the town on which was sent down an evil rain: 25:40.

iv. to pass over sth:

\**mā* tadharu min shay'in atat <sup>c</sup>alayhi illā ja<sup>c</sup>alat'hu ka r-ramīmi, There was nothing it [punishing wind] passed over that it did not reduce to decaying matter: 51:42.

**b.** atā bihī:

i. to do sth, perform/commit an act:

*\*illā an ya'tīna bi fāḥishatin mubayyinatin,* Except in a case where they have committed a flagrantly immoral act [= adultery] 4:19 [n,]; 65:1.

\*wa lā ya'tīna bi buhtānin, And that they shall not make slanderous accusations: 60:12.

\*lā ya'ti bi khayrin, He accomplishes no good: 16:76 [n.]. Also: 4:25; 33:30 [n.].

4:19 and 33:30: In these two verses, Zamakhshari (Kash., 1:258 and 3:234, respectively) prefers to take fahishah mubayyinah to mean the defiant attitude of a wife toward her husband.

16:76: Kash., 2:338: La yanfa<sup>c</sup>u wa lam ya'ti bi nujhin.

Tar., 45/89: yaqūlu wa qad tarra I-wazīfu wa sāquhā/a lasta tarā an qad atayta bi mu'yidī, "Her [she-camel's] hoofs and shanks cut, he said, 'Don't you see that you have done a horrible thing?'" Tarafah al-Jadhīmī, Ham., 1:141/3: wa lākinnanī kuntu mra'an min qabīlatin/baghat wa atat bi I-mazālimi wa Ifakhrī, "But I happened to belong to a tribe that broke all rules and committed against me acts of aggression and arrogant hostility."

3.b.i (atā bihī) seems to differ from 2.i (atāhu) in the following respect: atāhu represents the commission of an act, without necessarily implying that the perpetrator committed the act publicly; atā bihī suggests that the act in some way becomes or is made public, the bā' connoting that the person in question "comes up with" or "presents" the act. This may be part of the reason why 29:29 (2.i) adds fī nādīkumu lmunkar, signifying that the act was committed in public places. The difference between 2.i and 3.b.i may be explained in two other ways: (1) Atā in 2.i carries the tadmīn of fa<sup>c</sup>ala. (2) 2.i represents a case of naz<sup>c</sup> al-khāfid, i.e. the bā', which occurs in 3.b.i, is suppressed in 2.i.

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ii. atā llāhu bi amrin, (of God) to create a [new] situation 5:52.
 4. + HĀI

ata kadha, to become so and so:

\*fa alqūhu <sup>C</sup>alā wajhi abī ya'ti basīran, Put it [shirt] on my father's face and he will regain his vision: 12:93.

See Maj., 1:318. Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:274) compares, with the use of atā in this verse, the use of  $j\bar{a}'a$  in the expression,  $j\bar{a}'a$  *l-binā'u muḥkaman*, "(of a building) to be strong." For another interpretation of 12:93 (ya'ti baṣīran = ya'ti ilayya wa huwa baṣīrun), see ibid.

See also 134 (RDD) VIII.2, and 314 (Q<sup>c</sup>D) I.3.

5. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $b\bar{a}'$ ; b. min]

a. atāhu bi mathalin, to present sb with a criticism:

wa lā ya'tūnaka bi mathalin illā ji'nāka bi l-ḥaqqi wa aḥsana tafsīran, And there is not a criticism they will present you with but that We shall present you with the truth [about it] and the best possible interpretation [of the matter in question]: 25:33.

Tad., 4:595-96. Cf. Kash., 3:97: Wa lā ya'tūnaka bi su'ālin <sup>C</sup>ajībin min su'ālātihimu l-bāţilati—ka'annahū mathalun fī lbutlāni—illā ataynāka naḥnu bi l-jawābi l-ḥaqqi....

**b.** atā sh-shay'a min bābihī, to go about sth in the right way: 2:189.

"To come to sth by its door" is to come to something by using the entrance proper to it and not to use the "backdoor" to it, that is to say, to do something in the right and proper manner. A<sup>C</sup>shā (209/18): *li kay ya<sup>C</sup>lama n-nāsu anni mru'un/ataytu I-ma<sup>C</sup>īshata min bābihā*, "So that people might know that I am a man who has lived his life in a blameless manner." Qays, 74/19 (see also Hass., 182/[4]): matā mā atayta *I-amra min ghayri bābihī/dalita wa in tadkhul mina Ibābi tahtadī*, "If you approach a matter the wrong way, you will be lost, but if you approach it the right way, you will be guided in the right direction." There are a few variations on the idiom, among them: atā *I-amra min ma'tāhū/ ma'tāthī. Aq.*, 1:4; *Asās*, 11.

It can be argued that the use in this particular verse (wa ' $t\bar{u}$  *l-buyuta min abwabiha*) does not constitute an idiom and that the verse has a simple, literal meaning, "And enter the houses by their doors." While the presence of the literal

meaning may be granted, there is no reason to exclude the figurative meaning. In fact the verse may be said to represent a felicitous combination of the literal and the figurative meanings. Cf. Zamakhshari (Kash., 1:117-18), who gives only the latter meaning.

#### 6. + PREP $[^{c}al\bar{a}]$ + PREP $[b\bar{a}']$

atā <sup>c</sup>alayhi bi sultānin, to present compelling proof in support of sth: 18:15.

Tadmin of istadalla. See also 55 (JY) 1.2.

IV. ātā

1. + OBJ

ātāhu:

i. to pay sth:

(a) \*wa ātū ḥaqqahū yawma ḥaṣādihī, And pay what is due on it on the day of harvesting it: 6:141.

That is, pay zakat on the produce. See Tad., 2:560.

(b) *ātā ajra l-mar'ata,* to give [a woman] her dower [lit: remuneration]: 33:50.

See also 2.iii below.

ii. to grow/produce/yield sth:

*ātati sh-shajaratu/l-jannatu ukulahā*, (of a tree/garden) to yield the expected produce: 2:265; 14:25; 18:33.

Maj., 1:340. Ātati n-nakhlatu, "(of a date-palm) to yield fruit." Aq., 3:3. nakhlun dhū itā'in, "a date-palm that yields much fruit"; labanun dhū itā'in, "milk rich in butter." Asās, 11.

In the three verses the  $mud\bar{a}f$  ilayh-a pronoun with jannah (2:265; 18:33) and shajarah (14:24) as its antecedents gives the sense of expected produce—lit: its produce.

**2.**+ OBJ + OBJ

ātāhu sh-shay'a:

i. atahu mawthigan, to give sb one's word:

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\*lan ursilahū ma<sup>c</sup>akum hattā tu'tūni mawthiqan mina llāhi la ta'tunnanī bihī . . . fa lammā ātawhu mawthiqahum, l am not going to send him with you until you give me your pledge in God's name that you will bring him back . . . When they had given him their word: 12:66.

Jacob is asking his sons to swear an oath. Zamakhshari (Kash., 2:266) explains: Hattā tu<sup>c</sup>tūnī mā atawaththaqu bihī min <sup>c</sup>indi llāhi; arāda an yahlifū lahū bi llāhi....

ii. ātāhu su'lahū, to grant sb his request/petition:

\*qāla qad ūtīta su'laka yā mūsā, He said, 'Moses, your request is granted!' 20:36.

iii. ātā l-mar'ata ajrahā, to give dower to a woman: 4:24, 25; 5:5; 60:10.

See also 1.i(b) above.

#### 3. 'ThR

I. athara

+ OBJ

atharahū, to pass sth on, transmit sth:

*\*in hādhā illā siḥrun yu'tharu,* This is no more than sorcery handed down by tradition: 74:24.

As-sayf al-ma'thūr is a sword that has been passed down in the family from one generation to another. Asās, 11. Cf. 287 (FRY) VIII.1 (sihrun muftaran), and 355 (MRR) VIII (sihrun mustamirrun).

#### 4. 'KhDh

I. akhadha

1. VB

to act/conduct oneself:

\*wa law lā kitābun mina llāhi la massakum fī mā akhadhtum <sup>C</sup>adhābun alīmun, Had a decree from God not existed already, a severe punishment would have overtaken you for the way you behaved: 8:68.

According to Islāhī (Tad., 3:102-103), whose interpretation has been followed in translating 8:68, the verse is addressing the Quraysh and not, as is generally thought, the Muslims. For a more detailed treatment, see Mir, 112-14.

Al-CAbbās ibn Mirdās, Ham., 1:438/3: fa in ghadibat fīhā habību bnu habtarin/fa khudh khuttatan yardāka fīhā labā<sup>C</sup>idū, "If the people of Habīb ibn Habtar should become furious at it [= at your attempts to help your neighbors], then act in a way that will cause distant relatives to be pleased with you." Note also: akhadha ikhdha fulānin, "to pattem one's conduct after sb"; law kunta minnā la akhadhta bi ikhdhinā, "Had you been one of us, you would have acted like us." Aq., 1:6; Asās, 11. (Cf. atā atwahū, as in Mutammim ibn Nuwayrah, Mufadd., 70/19.)

2. + OBJ

akhadhahū:

i. to take sth away [from sb], deprive [sb] of sth:

*\*in akhadha llāhu sam<sup>c</sup>akum wa abṣārakum,* If God were to deprive you of your ears and your eyes: 6:46.

See Maj., 2:192.

ii. to adhere to sth:

\*fa khudhhā bi quwwatin, So hold fast/adhere firmly to them [Tablets of the Torah]: 7:145.

Also: 2:63, 93; 7:171; 19:12.

*Bi quwwatin*, which follows the verb in all these verses, is simply adverbial (= "firmly") and not part of the idiom (cf. 3 below).

iii. to affect/overcome sb:

\*lā ta'khudhuhū sinatun wa lā nawmun, Neither drowsiness nor sleep overtakes him: 2:255.

\*wa lā ta'khudhkum bihimā ra'fatun, And do not be moved by compassion in regard to them: 24:2.

Al-Marrār ibn Munqidh, Mufadd., 158/85: innamā n-nawmu <sup>C</sup>ishā'an tafalan/sinatun ta'khudhuhā mithla s-sukur, "Her sleep at night, when the sun sets, is just like a drowsiness that overcomes her like inebriation."

iv. to harm/injure/kill sb:

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\*wa hammat kullu ummatin bi rasūlihim li ya'khudhūhu, And every people intended to cause harm to its messenger: 40:5.

Kash., 3:360: Li ya'khudhūhu: li yatamakkanū minhu wa mina l-īqā<sup>c</sup>i bihī wa isābatihī bi mā arādū min ta<sup>c</sup>dhībin aw qatlin. Cf. al-Ḥuṣayn ibn al-Ḥumām, Mufadd., 121/41.

v. akhadha I-<sup>c</sup>afwa, to show forbearance: 7:199.

Cf. Kash., 2:110.

vi. The following two expressions mean "to be on one's guard, take precautions, safeguard one's position," though there is a slight difference in their meanings (see n. to (b) below):

(a) \*qad akhadhnā amranā min qablu, We had already taken the necessary measures [= measures to protect ourselves]: 9:50.

(b) \*khudhū hidhrakum, Be on your guard! 4:71. Also: 4:102 [twice].

#### Kash., 1:280.

The difference between (a) and (b) is as follows: (a) is general—implying the taking of precautionary measures in any given situation (cf. Kash., 2:156: Qad akhadhnā amranā, ay amranā lladhī naḥnu muttasimūna bihī mina l-ḥadhari wa t-tayaqquzi wa l-camali bi l-ḥazmi); (b) is more specific—implying the taking of such measures in a situation of fear or danger (Kash., 2:280: Yuqālu, akhadha ḥidhrahū, idhā tayaqqaza wa ḥtaraza mina l-mukhawwifi).

#### vii. akhadha mithagahū:

(a) to take a firm commitment from sb, make a covenant with sb: 2:63, 83, 84, 93; 3:187; 5:12, 14, 70; 57:8.

Cf. (b) below; with n.

(b) to take a firm commitment [from sb]/make a covenant [with sb] about sb/sth: 3:81.

According to Işlāhī (Tad., 1:735), mīthāq an-nabiyyīn in this verse stands for the pact taken about prophets, not from them (cf. (a), above). This is grammatically possible, and contextually more appropriate.

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# viii. akhadha zīnatahū, to adom oneself: \*khudhū zīnatakum, Adom yourself [with dress]: 7:31.

Zinah (lit: "ornament, adornment") in this verse means "dress." The verse criticizes the pagan Arab ritual of circumambulating the Ka<sup>C</sup>bah naked on the view that the spirit of worship required one to discard all adornments, dress being one of them. See Kash., 2:60; Tad., 2:627. Cf. ix below.

#### ix. akhadha zukhrufahū, to assume a splendid appearance:

\* hattā idhā akhadhati l-ardu zukhrufahā, Until, when the earth is decked out in its finery [= when it grows lush vegetation]: 10:24.

The earth is here likened to a bride who is beautifying herself (Kash., 2:187: Ju<sup>c</sup>ilati I-ardu ākhidhatan zukhrufahā <sup>c</sup>alā ttamthīli idhā akhadhati th-thiyāba I-fākhirata). Cf. viii above.

#### 3. + PREP [bā]

akhadha bihi, to adhere to sth firmly:

\*wa 'mur qawmaka ya'khudhū bi aḥsanihā, And enjoin your people to hold fast to the best injunctions contained in them [Tablets of the Torah]: 7:145.

The preposition  $b\bar{a}'$  suggests the tadmin of some word like *i*<sup>C</sup>tasama. Thus the difference between akhadha sh-shay'a and akhadha bi sh-shay'i is that while the former means simply "to hold sth," the latter means "to hold sth firmly."

4. + OB] + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}'$ ; c. min]

**a.** akhadhahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. akhadha <sup>c</sup>alayhi isra fulānin, to assume the responsibility imposed by sb with regard to sth:

\*wa akhadhtum <sup>c</sup>alā dhālikum iṣrī, And do you, with regard to this, take on the responsibility I have imposed [upon you]? 3:81.

ii. akhadha <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-mīthāqa/l-mawthiqa, to take from sb a binding/ solemn commitment regarding sth: 7:169 [pass]; 12:80.

<sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Kulthūm, Qas., 321/88: akhadhna <sup>C</sup>ala bu<sup>C</sup>ūlatihinna <sup>C</sup>ahdan/idhā lāqaw katā'iba mu<sup>C</sup>lamīnā, "They have taken from their husbands a binding commitment [to

the effect that] when they engage the badge-wearing enemy battalions in combat [they shall bring home booty and prisoners]."

See c below, with n.

#### **b.** akhadhahū bi kadhā:

i. to motivate sb to do sth:

\*akhadhat'hu I-<sup>c</sup>izzatu bi I-ithmi, A [false] sense of dignity confirms him in sin: 2:206.

Akhadhtuhū bi kadhā, "I persuaded him to do such-andsuch a thing." Kash., 1:127.

ii akhadhahū bi l-yamīni, to seize sb firmly: 69:45.

Tad., 7:554. Cf. Kash., 4:137.

c. akhadha minhu l-mīthāga, to take a firm commitment from sb: 4:21, 154; 33:7 [twice].

> In c, as in a.ii above (akhadha <sup>c</sup>alayhi I-mīthāga/Imawthiqa), the giving and taking of a pledge are involved, but the difference of prepositions makes for a difference in the emphasis: the focus in the latter is on the one who takes the pledge from another person, thus obligating the latter to fulfill the pledge, whereas the focus in the former is on the one who gives the pledge of his own free volition, the other person simply "taking" it from him.

#### VIII. ittakhadha

1. + OBI

ittakhadhahū, to take/regard sb/sth [to be so and so], set sb/sth up [to be so and so]:

i. ittakhadha khidnan, to take a lover/paramour: 4:25 [act pt]; 5:5 [act pt].

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ii. The following two expressions mean "to take a confidant":

(a) ittakhadha bitānatan: 3:118.

iii. ittakhadha sabilan, to take/follow a path:

(a) (lit): 18:61, 63.

(b) (fig): see 3.a, c, and d below.

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**2.**+ OBJ + OBJ

ittakhadhahū kadhā, to take/regard sb/sth to be so and so, set sb/sth up as so and so:

i. ittakhadhahū <sup>c</sup>adudan, to have/take sb as one's supporter: 18:51 [act pt].

**ii.** Of the other words occurring in the position of second object, the following may be noted:

dakhal: deceit: 16:92, 94: see 4 below.

junnah: shield

*ittakhadhahū junnatan,* to use sth as a shield/smokescreen: 58:16 [n.]; 63:2 [n.]

maghram, liability, damages: 9:98.

mahjūr, abandoned:

ittakhadhahū mahjūran, to forsake sth: 25:30.

qurbah, means of achieving nearness [to God]:

\*wa yattakhidhu mā yunfiqu qurubātin <sup>c</sup>inda llāhi, And what he spends he regards as means of achieving nearness to God: 9:99.

sabīl, path, way:

ittakhadhahū sabīlan, to adopt sth as a course of action/a way of life: 7:146.

sikhrī, object of ridicule, laughingstock: 23:110; 38:63. sukhrī, employee:

ittakhadhahū sukhriyyan, to employ sb, take sb in one's service, enlist sb's services: 43:32.

zihrī, sth that is extra:

ittakhadhahū zihriyyan, to ignore/neglect sth: 11:92 [n].

11:92: Aq., 2:734: Az-zihrī: alladhī taj<sup>c</sup>aluhū warā'a zahrika wa tansāhu wa taghfulu <sup>c</sup>anhu. Also, Mukh., 406. 58:16 and 63:2: Cf. Hāt., 157/4, 6, 230/6:

3. + OB) + PREP [a. bayna; b. fi; c.  $il\bar{a}$ ; d.  $ma^{c}a$ ]

**a.** \*wa yurīdūna an yattakhidhū bayna dhālika sabīlan, And they wish to take/follow a course in between [= a course between belief and unbelief]: 4:150.

b. ittakhadha fihi husnan, to treat sb kindly/nicely:

\*wa immā an tattakhidha fīhim husnan, Or you may treat them with kindness: 18:86.

See Tad., 4:71, 73-74.

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**c.** *ittakhadha ilā rabbihī sabīlan,* to achieve nearness to one's Lord [= to perform acts of piety in order to draw near to God]: 25:57; 73:19 [n.]; 76:29.

Kash., 3:102; 4:155.

**d.** ittakhadha ma<sup>c</sup>ahū sabīlan, to join/follow sb [lit: to take a certain path/course in sb's company/along with sb]: 25:27.

4. + OBJ + OBJ + PREP [bayna]

\*tattakhidhūna aymānakum dakhalan baynakum, Using your oaths to practice trickery upon one another: 16:92.

Also: 16:94.

Dakhal in these verses has been interpreted, following Zamakhshari (Kash., 2:342), as the second object of *ittakhadha*. It may also be regarded as a  $maf^{C}\overline{u}l$  lah $\overline{u}$ . See Aq., 1:324 (DKhL).

#### 5. 'KhR

II. akhkhara

**1**. VB

qaddama wa akhkhara: see 303 (QDM) II.2.i(c).

2. + OBJ

*akhkharahū*, to give a respite to sb: 4:77; 11:104; 14:10, 42, 44; 16:61; 17:62; 35:45; 63:10, 11; 71:4 [twice, once pass].

V. ta'akhkhara

VB

tagaddama wa ta'akhkhara: see 303 (QDM) V. 🗉

6. 'FK

I. afaka

+ OBJ

\*fa annā tu'fakūna, So where are you backing/drawing/veering off to [in your error/foolishness]? 6:95; 10:34; 35:3; 40:62.

Also: 5:75; 9:30; 29:61; 30:55; 40:63; 43:87; 51:9; 63:4. [All passives.] Rajul ma'fūk, "one who has been turned away from the truth and directed toward falsehood" (Muf., 19-20), "one who comes to no good" (Aq., 1:14), the latter meaning being an abbreviated form of rajulun ma'fūkun <sup>C</sup>ani l-khayri (Asās, 19). Ufika also means "to be foolish/weak-witted": rajulun ma'fūku l-<sup>C</sup>aqli, "a foolish/stupid fellow." Muf., 19-20. See also Maj., 1:174; Asās, 19; Aq., 1:14; 3:16; Kash., 1:356; 2:29; 3:195; 4:101.

Cf. 124 (DhHB) 1.1.i, and 210 (SRF) 1.ii.

I. akala

1. VB

i. to use [sth]:

\*wa man kāna faqīran fa l-ya'kul bi l-ma<sup>c</sup>rūfi, And he who is poor should take [from the property of his orphan ward] only that [amount] which is reasonable: 4:6.

**ii.** In 5:66, *akala* implies: to receive benefits, i.e. to enjoy the blessings of God, both material and spiritual:

\*la akalū min fawqihim wa min tahti arjulihim, They would have had good things coming to them [lit: they would have eaten] from above their heads and from under their feet [= from everywhere].

2. + OBJ

akalahū:

i. to use sth:

\*fa kulūhu hanī'an marī'an, Then you may use it [dower], enjoying it the way you like: 4:4.

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Also: 8:69.

Al-Muthaqqib al-CAbdī, Mufadd., 302/28: yas<sup>c</sup>ā wa yajhadu jāhidan mustahtiran/jiddan wa laysa bi ākilin mā yajma<sup>c</sup>ū, "He [man] collects it [wealth], making great and strenuous efforts, but he is not going to [be able to] use what he collects." Ibn Muq., 243/24: fa akhlif wa atlif innamā l-mālu <sup>c</sup>āratun/wa kulhu ma<sup>c</sup>a d-dahri lladhī huwa ākiluh, "So, compensate [yourself for lost wealth—i.e. by acquiring more of it] and give it away [= be generous with it], for wealth is something that passes from hand to hand; and use it/use it up along with time, which is going to consume it anyway."

<sup>7. &#</sup>x27;KL

ii. to consume sth, use sth up:

\*hattā ya'tiyanā bi qurbānin ta'kuluhu n-nāru, Until he comes to us with a sacrifice that is consumed by a fire [from the heavens]: 3:183.

Also: 12:48 [n.].

The verse by Ibn Muq., cited at 2.i above (and especially the second use of *akala* in it) illustrates this meaning also. 12:48: For a translation, see 303 (QDM) 1.4.ii.

iii. to eat sth away:

\*ta'kulu minsa'atahū, [An insect—i.e. termite] which ate away his [Solomon's] staff: 34:14.

Akala n-nāru l-ḥaṭaba, "(of fire) to consume wood." Aq., 1:14; Asās, 19.

iv. to appropriate/usurp sth, take sth over wrongfully:

\*wa lā ta'kulū amwālakum baynakum bi l-bātili . . li ta'kulū farīqan min amwāli n-nāsi bi l-ithmi, And do not wrongfully appropriate one another's wealth/property . . in order that you may wrongfully acquire part of people's wealth/property: 2:188.

\*wa lā ta'kulūha isrāfan wa bidāran an yakbarū, And do not use it [orphans' wealth] up, squandering it in haste, fearing that they will grow up: 4:6.

Also: 4:10 [ya'kulūna amwāla l-yatāmā], 29, 161 [mas]; 5:42 [act pt], 62 [mas], 63 [mas]; 9:34; 89:19.

Kash., 2:149. Fulānun yasta'kilu d-du<sup>c</sup>atā'a, "So-and-so wrongfully appropriates the property of weak people." Aq., 1:14.

v. akala r-ribā, to receive usury/interest: 2:275; 3:130.

vi. akala lahma fulānin, to backbite sb, slander sb in his absence [lit: to eat sb's flesh]: 49:12.

Ākala fulānun baynahum, "to go around making slanderous remarks about people in their absence" Aq., 1:14; also, Asās, 19. Uklah/iklah is "backbiting", and fulānun dhū uklatin/iklatin means: He says things behind people's backs. Asās, 19; also, Aq., 1:15-16. As Işlāḥī explains, a person who is being slandered behind his back is unable to defend himself; he is like a dead body that is defenseless against predatory animals and birds. Tad., 6:511. Al-Muthaqqib al-CAbdī, Mufadd., 589/6: lā tarānī rāti<sup>c</sup>an fī majlisin/fī luhūmi nnāsi ka s-sab<sup>c</sup>i d-darim, "You will not find me in the company of people consuming, like a voracious beast, people's flesh." Al-Muqanna<sup>c</sup> al-Kindī, Ham., 3:1179/6: wa in ya'kulū laḥmī wafartu luhūmahum, "If they slander me, then [I do not; rather] I make every effort to protect their honor." Sālim ibn Wābiṣah, ibid., 3:1160/1: yaqtātu laḥmī wa mā yashtīhi min qaramī, "He devours my flesh [= backbites me], though it does not satisfy his voracious appetite." Also, Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, Mufadd., 402/73 (cited at 96 (KhLW) I).

- 3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $f\bar{i}$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ]
- a. akala fi batnihi shay'an, to stuff sth into one's belly: 2:174; 4:10.

Kash., 1:109, 250-51.

**b.** \*wa lā ta'kulū amwālahum ilā amwālikum, And do not use up their wealth by mixing it up with yours: 4:2.

Tadmin of damma. Tad., 4:23. Also, Kash., 1:243.

8. ′LF

- II. allafa
- 1. + OBJ

allafa galbahū, to win sb's goodwill/support:

\*wa I-mu'allafati qulubuhum, And those whose goodwill is to be sought: 9:60.

2. + PREP [bayna]

allafa bayna n-nāsi, to reconcile people with one another:

\*fa allafa bayna qulubikum, And He reconciled your hearts with one another: 3:103.

Also: 8:63.

#### 9. 'LW

I. alā

+ OBJ + TAMYIZ

\*lā ya'lūnakum khabālan, They will spare no effort in causing harm to you: 3:118.

Khabālan in the verse is a tamyīz. See <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:147, where other possibilities are also suggested; cf. Zamakhsharī (Kash., 1:212-13), who takes it to be a + OBJ + OBJ construction, saying that  $al\bar{a}$ , when it takes two objects, carries the tadmīnmeaning of mana<sup>c</sup>a or nagasa.

Fulānun lā ya'lū khayran, "He never misses an opportunity to do good"; innī lā ālūka nuṣḥan, "I shall never cease wishing you well/giving you sincere advice." Aq., 3:18. Tha<sup>C</sup>labah ibn <sup>C</sup>Amr, Mufadd., 514/13: fa in qatalat'hu fa lam āluhū/wa in yanju minhā fa jurḥun raghīb, "If it [my spear] should kill him, then [it is only proper, for] I did not spare any effort [= tried my best to kill him]; and if he should recover from it, then [at least I gave him] a large wound." Cf. baghā lahū khabālan, as in a verse quoted in Shudh., 73.

10. 'LY

#### IV. ālā

+ PREP [min]

ala mini mra'atihi, to swear to have no sexual relations with one's wife: 2:226.

Tadmin of imtana<sup>c</sup>a (Aq. 3:19) or ba<sup>c</sup>uda (Kash., 1:136). Cf. Qays, 44/28, who uses the preposition <sup>c</sup>an with the verb. Cf. 243 (ZHR) III.2.

#### 11. 'NS

IV. ānasa

+ OBJ + PREP [min]

*ānasa minhu rushdan,* to discern/perceive signs of maturity in sb: 4:6.

Anasa implies sensing something or the existence of something even if one has not clearly perceived that thing (see Zuh., 264/[3]). Arab poets often use the word of an animal—a wild ass, a wild bull, a she-camel, a deer—that senses danger and becomes alert. Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, Mufaḍḍ, 399/60: sākinu l-qafri akhū dawwiyyatin/fa idhā mā ānasa ṣ-ṣawta m-maṣa<sup>c</sup>, "He [bull] is a resident of the desert, one who belongs to the wilderness: when he hears so much as a faint sound, he pricks up his ears." CUmārah ibn CAqīl, Ham., 3:1433/6: wa ammā idha ānasta amnan wa rikhwatan/fa innaka li l-qurbā aladdu khasūmī, "And when you feel that you are secure and find yourself in easy circumstances, you become the most pugnacious enemy of your relatives." Rabī<sup>c</sup>ah ibn Maqrūm, *Mufadd.*, 357/12: *fa lamīna tabayyana anna n-nahāra/tawallā wa ānasa wahfan bahīman*, "When he [ass] noticed that the day had passed, and perceived [the arrival of] a dark night." Also, al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Qas., 435/ 11; Ţirimmāḥ, Krenk., 99:19. This being the meaning of the word, the use of ānasa in the Qur'ānic verse implies that guardians should hand over the property of their orphan wards to the latter as soon as they see in them signs of maturity, and should not hold on to it for an unduly long period of time.

X. ista'nasa

+ PREP [lām]

ista'nasa lahū, to listen to sth eagerly:

\*wa lā musta'nisīna li hadīthin, Nor [must you linger in the Prophet's house] wishing eagerly to listen to the talk: 33:53.

The preposition  $l\bar{a}m$  can be explained in more than one way: (1) Li hadithin = li ajli hadithin—the complete construction being: ista'anasa ba<sup>c</sup>duhum bi ba<sup>c</sup>din li ajli hadithin. (2) Ista'nasa li hadithin = ista'nasa hadithan. See Kash., 3:244.

- 12. 'NY
  - l. a n ā
    - VB

anā lahū an yaf<sup>C</sup>ala kadhā, It is high time that he did such-andsuch a thing:

\*a lam ya'ni li lladhīna āmanū an takhsha<sup>c</sup>a qulūbuhum li dhikri llāhi, ls it not time that the hearts of those who have believed became humbly inclined to the remembrance of God? 57:16.

Anā t-ta<sup>c</sup>āmu, "(of food) to be cooked and ready." Asās, 23. Misjāh ibn Sibā<sup>c</sup>, Ham., 2:1009/1: la qad tawwaftu fi lāfāqi hattā/balītu wa qad anā lī law abīdū, "I roamed about the world until I became decrepit. If now I must die, then [so be it, for] my time has come." Also, Mufadd, 717/1 (and the verse quoted by Anbārī, ibid.); Mālik al-Mazmūm, D. al-Khaw., 186/1 [no 241].

Cf., with this verse, 39:23 (cited at 351 (LYN) l.b).

13. BKh<sup>C</sup>

I. bakha<sup>c</sup>a

+ OBI

 $bakha^{c}a \ nafsah\overline{u}$ , to be overwhelmed with/kill oneself with grief, anger, etc.: 18:6 [act pt]; 26:3 [act pt].

Dhū r-Rummah, Maj., 1:393 (also in Asās, 31): alā ayyuhādhā l-bākhi<sup>c</sup>u l-wajdi nafsahū/li shay'in naḥat'hu <sup>c</sup>an yadayhi lmaqādirū, "O you—the one who is killing himself with grief over what the fates have wrested from his hands." Cf. Abū Khirāsh, D. al-Hudh., 2:123/[3]: faqadtu banī lubnā fa lammā faqadtuhum/ṣabartu fa lam aqṭa<sup>c</sup> <sup>c</sup>alayhim abājilī, "I lost the Banū Lubnā, and when I did, I endured the loss patiently and did not cut my veins over them [= did not die/suffer grieving for them]." (On the background to qaṭa<sup>c</sup>a l-abājila, see Zuh., 130, n. 1.)

#### 14. BD'

I. bada'a

+ OB]

In 9:13, wa hum bada'ūkum awwala marratin means: And they are the ones who initiated hostilities against you.

Kash., 2:142.

#### IV. abda'a

VB

\*wa mā yubdi'u l-bāțilu wa mā yu<sup>c</sup>īdu, And Falsehood is utterly powerless: 34:49.

\*innahū huwa yubdi'u wa yu<sup>C</sup>īdu, It is He Who has complete and unrestricted power: 85:13.

Literally, fulanun yubdi'u wa yucidu means: He initiates and he repeats (cf. Muf., 40). One who can initially perform an act and can repeat it at will is possessed of an inherent power to do so, and hence the meaning: to have complete/ unrestricted power, have total control. Zamakhshari (Asās, 31) explains fulānun mā yubdi'u wa mā yu<sup>c</sup>īdu as: idhā lam yakun lahū hilatun (cf. with this, however, his explanation of 34:49 [Kash., 3:264], and, with both, his explanation of 85:13 [ibid., 4:201]). It should be noted that the metaphorical and literal meanings blend in 34:49 and 85:13, the former meaning (which is of the nature of a conclusion) in each case being based on the latter (which is of the nature of evidence. For 85:13 is saying (Tad., 8:293) that God brought the world into existence in the first place (yubdi'u) and so can recreate it (yuCidu); and 34:49 (ibid., 5:338-39), that Falsehood was neither responsible for the first creation of the world (ma yubdi'u) nor will have any hand in creating it a second time (mā yu īdu). But while these two verses may be called idiomatic, a few others with similar expressions (10:4, 34; 27:64; 29:19; 30:11, 27-all but 29:9 using Form 1 of BD'have only a literal meaning, and so are not given here.

#### 15. BDW

I. badā

+ PREP [lām]

 $bad\bar{a} \ lah\bar{u} \ kadh\bar{a}$ , (of a suggestion, course of action, etc.) to strike sb as expedient/politic:

\*thumma badā lahum min ba<sup>c</sup>di mā ra'awū l-āyāti la yasjununnahū hattā hīnin, Then, even though they had seen clear indications [of Joseph's guiltlessness], they saw it fit to imprison him for a certain period of time: 12:35.

Badā lahū fī l-amri, "(of a thought) to occur to/strike sb in regard to sth." Aq., 1:34. Also, Asās, 33; Kash., 2:255 (where

Zamakhsharī remarks that the subject of the verb is understood—the underlying construction being, badā lahum badā'un—and that la yasjununnahū is not the subject but an independent explication of the subject). Nāb., 220/3: fa sālihūnā jamī<sup>c</sup>an in badā lakumū, "So make peace with us if this seems to you the right thing to do." CAbd Allāh ibn ad-Dumaynah al-Khath<sup>c</sup>amī, quoted by Marzūqī, Ham., 3:1415: qifī yā umayma l-qalbi naqdi taḥiyyatan/wa nashkū l-hawā thumma f<sup>c</sup>alī mā badā lakī, "Wait, O Umaymah of my heart, let us [at least] greet each other and complain of [our suffering in] love. After that, do whatever you consider fit." Shamm., 287/1: a lā aṣbaḥat <sup>c</sup>irsī mina l-bayti jāmiḥan/<sup>c</sup>alā ghayri shay'in ayyu amrin badā lahā, "My wife left the house and went away, without any reason. What could have occurred to her?" (Cf. A<sup>c</sup>shā, 63/1, which is similar.) Also, Khan., 143/[1-2]; Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 45/[2].

- IV. abdā
  - + OBI
- i. abdā ş-şadagata, to give charity openly/publicly: 2:271.

Cf. 91 (KhFY) IV.i.

ii. abdā l-khayra, to speak good things, express good thoughts: 4:149.

Although this is the meaning it has in context (see Tad., 2:186), 4:149 may also be construed in the more general sense of "to do good openly/publicly." Cf. 91 (KhFY) IV.ii.

16. BRJ

V. tabarraja

1. VB

tabarrajati I-mar'atu, (of a woman) to display her charms:

wa lā tabarrajna tabarruja l-jāhiliyyati, And they [Muslim women] must not show their charms in the style of the Age of Ignorance: 33:33.

> Thawb mubarraj is "a garment with pictures of castles on it," such clothes being considered beautiful. Tabarrajati *l*mar'atu is said of a woman who displays her beauty, seeking to be like a garment with pictures on it. Muf., 41. Also, Aq.,

1:36: Al-mubarraj mina l-hulal, "garment with pictures of towers on it." (Cf. Zamakhshari [Kash., 3:84], who gives two other explanations of tabarraja, adding that the word is used specifically of a woman displaying her charms to men.) A simpler explanation of the word tabarraja would be that burj ("tower") is a prominent part of a castle and tabarraja is to stand out or be noticeable like a tower.

See also 221 (DRB) 1.2.b.ii.

2. + PREP [ba]

tabarrajati l-mar'atu bi zīnatin, (of a woman) to display her beauty, jewelry, etc.: 24:60 [act pt].

See n. to 1 above.

# 17. BRQ

I. bariga

VB

bariga l-basaru, (of eyes) to be dazzled: 75:7.

Kash., 4:164. Bariqa is used of eyes when they move restlessly from fear. Muf., 43. Cf. Abū <sup>C</sup>Ubaydah (Maj., 2:277), who explains bariqa in this verse as shaqqa, "to look at sth with a fixed gaze" (as in shaqqa başaru l-mayyiti [Aq., 1:603]). Cf. 88 (KhTF) 1.2.

# 18. BRM

IV. abrama

+ OBJ

abrama l-amra, to make a firm resolve/categorical decision to do sth:

\*am abramū amran fa innā mubrimūna, Or have they made a firm decision? If so, then We are going to make a firm decision, too: 43:79 [obj of act pt und].

Abrama I-habla, "to double up a chord and twist it"; qadā' mubram, "inexorable fate." Aq., 1:40. Also, Muf., 44-45. CAnt., 214/[1]: dhululun rikābī haythu shi'tu mushāyi lubbī wa ahfizuhū bi amrin mubramī, "My camels are docile, [I take them] wherever I like; and keeping me constant company is my heart [= reason], which I put to work with a firm resolve." Also, Labid, ibid., 191/29; Zuh., 14/[3]; Ka<sup>C</sup>b, 98/[2]; Hass., 452/[1]; Ru'ūbah, Asās, 37.

### 19. BST

I. basata

1. VB

\*wa llähu yaqbidu wa yabsutu, It is God Who withholds [sustenance] and gives [it] generously: 2:245.

The expression may be interpreted in several different ways. See *Muf.*, 390. Cf. also 360 (*MSK*) IV.1 and 2.i

2. + OB]

basata yadahū:

i. to be freehanded/generous: 5:64 [pass pt]; 17:29.

Fulānun bastun/bistun bi I-Catā'i, "He is very generous"; yadā llāhi bustāni, "God is freehanded" (Hadīth). Asās, 39. Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, Mufadd., 392/31: busutu l-aydī idhā mā su'ilū, "Whenever they are asked for something, they prove to be generous/free-handed." Ham., 4:1685/2: wa innī la min mā absutu l-kaffa bi n-nadā/idhā shanijat kaffu l-bakhīli wa sā<sup>C</sup>iduh, "I happen to be one who is very freehanded, at a time when the palm and forearm of a miser suffer from cramp [= when he becomes stingy]."

**ii.** 6:93: see 3.ii below.

**3.** + OBJ + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

i. basata yadahū ilayhi, to lift one's hand at sb, attack sb: 5:11, 28 [twice, once act pt], 60:2.

ii. In 6:93 [n.], a + OBJ construction, basata yadahū seems to have been used in the literal sense, "to stretch out one's arms," but the context gives it an ominous ring, so that it acquires some of the connotations of i:

\*idhi z-zālimūna fī ghamārāti l-mawti idhi l-malā'ikatu bāsitū aydīhim akhrijū anfusakum, When the wicked will be in the throes of death-when the angels will be stretching out their arms, saying, "Give/hand over [lit: bring out] your souls!"

Kash., 1:327.

6:93: See Kash., 2:28. Cf. <sup>C</sup>Ant., 242/[1], in which the use is marked by similar ambiguity: wa la mtaddat ilayya banānu haynī, "And the fingers of death did not reach out for me." Cf. madda bā<sup>C</sup>ahū ilayhi, as in <sup>C</sup>Ant. (141/[8]), 146/[5], and basaṭa yamīnahū lahū, as in Hass., 348/[1].

iii. basața lisānahū ilayhi, reprove/revile/disparage/malign sb [lit: to put out one's tongue toward sb]: 60:2.

Kash., 1:327.

# 20. BSR

IV. abșarā

+ PREP [bā']

i. abșara bihi, to find out/discover sth: 68:5-6 [twice].

Tadmin of <sup>c</sup>alima. Tad., 7:515.

ii. \*abşir bihi, How well He sees! 18:26 [n.].
\*wa abşir, How well they see! 19:38 [prep phr und; n.].

Af<sup>c</sup>il bihī is one of the two patterns of  $af^{C}\overline{a}l \ at-ta^{C}ajjub$ . 18:26: See also 183 (SM<sup>C</sup>) IV (wa asmi<sup>C</sup>). 19:38: The use in this verse is ironic. See also 183 (SM<sup>C</sup>)

IV (asmi<sup>c</sup> bihim).

# 21. BTR

I. bațira

+ OBJ

\*wa kam min qaryatin batirat ma<sup>c</sup>īshatahā, And there is many a nation that has shown arrogant ingratitude for its [easy] circumstances: 28:58.

Bațira sh-shay'a, "to dislike sth without good reason"; bațira l-ḥaqqa, "to reject the truth pridefully." Aq., 1:47. Bațira in the verse contains the tadmin of kafara ("to be ungrateful"). Zamakhshari (Asās, 42 [see also Kash., 3:174]) cites the expression, bațira fulănun ni<sup>c</sup>mata Ilāhi, and explains it as: istakhaffahā fa kafarahā wa lam yastarjiḥhā fa yashkurahā, "He made light of God's blessing and was ungrateful for it, and did not consider it good enough to give thanks for." Also, Tad., 4:825.

#### 22. BTL

IV. abțalā

VB

*abțala,* to do wrong, take the wrong path: 7:173; 29:48; 30:58; 40:78; 45:27. [All active participles.]

Abțala: jā'a bi l-bāțili. Aq., 1:48.

23. B<sup>C</sup>D

I. ba<sup>c</sup>ida/ba<sup>c</sup>uda

1. VB

ba<sup>c</sup>ida fulānun, to perish:

\*ka mā ba<sup>c</sup>idat thamūdu, just as the Thamud met with their destruction: 11:95 [n.].

bu<sup>c</sup>dan lahū, May he perish! 11:44, 60, 68, 95 [n.]; 23:41, 44.

Bu<sup>c</sup>dan is the masdar of  $ba^{c}uda$  (= "to go away"; also, "to perish," the meaning in these verses) and not of  $ba^{c}ida$ (= "to perish"), which has  $ba^{c}adan$  as its masdar. The masdar from  $ba^{c}ida$ , as against the verb itself, is not used in an imprecatory sense (see Marzūqī's commentary on Ham., 2:905/1), but the masdar from  $ba^{c}uda$  is—and has been so used in the verses listed above. In 11:95,  $ba^{c}ida$  (i.e. in the form,  $ba^{c}idat$ ) and  $ba^{c}uda$  (i.e. the masdar from it— $bu^{c}dan$ ) are used together (see Kash., 2:233), possibly suggesting a play upon the two verbs (cf. the wordplay in the saying [Asās, 44]: la tab<sup>c</sup>ud wa in  $ba^{c}udta$  fa lā  $ba^{c}idta$ , "Do not go away, and if you do, may you not perish [= may you be well]"; cf. also Qurād ibn Ghuwayyah, Ham., 3:1006/3-4).

See also 37 (T<sup>C</sup>S) I, and 164 (SHQ) I.

#### **2.** + PREP [a. $c_{a}/\overline{a}$ ]

\*wa lakin ba<sup>c</sup>udat alayhimu sh-shuqqatu, But the distance proved to be too long for them to cover: 9:42.

<sup>C</sup>Abd Allāh ibn <sup>C</sup>Anamah, Mufaḍḍ,, 744:6: idhā l-ḥārithu ḥarrābu <sup>C</sup>ādā qabīlatan/nakāhā wa lam tab<sup>C</sup>ud <sup>C</sup>alayhi bilāduhā, "When Ḥārith the great warrior takes a tribe for his III. bācada

+ PREP [bayna]

\* $b\bar{a}^{C}id$  bayna asfārinā, Space our journeys far out/put a lot of distance between our journeys [= let our circumstances become straitened]! 34:19.

These words occur in the form of a prayer by the affluent but ungrateful people of Saba', but it was not a prayer they uttered verbally; rather, it was as if, through their ungrateful behavior, they prayed to God to cause their society to fall into a decline and destroy their towns and cities, thus extending the distances between the stopping-places during their journeys. See Maj., 2:147; Tad., 5:308.

# 24. BGhY

I. baghā

1. + OBJ + OBJ

baghā s-sabīla <sup>c</sup>iwajan, to seek to make a course crooked [= to distort the truth, disrupt the divine message, etc.]: 3:99; 7:45, 86; 11:19; 14:3.

Kash., 1:205; 2:75, 293.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

baghā <sup>c</sup>alayhi sabīlan, to look for an opportunity to harm/ mistreat sb: 4:34.

See Maj., 1:125; also, Kash., 1:267.

VII. inbaghã

+ PREP [lam]

mā yanbaghī lahū (an yaf<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā), (of sth):

i. not to be suitable for sb-in the sense that it is too good for him/he is not up to it/he does not deserve it:

\*wa mā yanbaghī lahum wa mā yastatī<sup>c</sup>ūna, It is not for them [satanic host] to do so [= to bring down the Qur'ān from the heavens], nor do they have the power [to  $d_0$  so]: 26:211.

\*wa hab  $l\bar{l}$  mulkan la yanbagh $\bar{l}$  li ahadin min ba<sup>C</sup>d $\bar{l}$ , And bless me with an empire that it shall not befit anyone else after me to have: 38:35.

38:35: Tad., 5:531-32. Cf. Kash., 3:329: Lā yanbaghī: lā yatasahhalu wa lā yakūnu.

ii. not to be suitable for sb-in the sense that he is above it/it is beneath him:

\*wa mā yanbaghī li r-raḥmāni an yattakhidha waladan, And it does not befit the Compassionate One to have/to take to Himself offspring: 19:92.

\*wa mā <sup>c</sup>allamnāhu sh-shi<sup>c</sup>ra wa mā yanbaghī lahū, And We did not teach him how to compose poetry, nor does it become him: 36:69 [n.].

iii. not to be appropriate for sb to do—in the sense that it would be wrong/blameworthy for him to do so:

\*mā kāna yanbaghī lanā an nattakhidha min dūnika min awliyā'a, It would not have been appropriate for us to have taken any friends other than You: 25:18.

iv. not to be right for sb-in the sense that one is forbidden to do so/one lacks the power to do so:

\* $l\bar{a}$  sh-shamsu yanbaghī lahā an tudrika l-qamara, It is not for the sun to overtake the moon: 36:40.

VIII. ibtaghā

1. + OBJ

i. ibtaghāhu:

(a) to pursue/chase sb, seek sb out:

\*wa lā tahinū fī btighā'i l-qawmi, And do not slacken in your pursuit of the enemy: 4:104.

Kash., 1:296: Fi btighā'i l-qawmi: fi talabi l-kuffāri bi l-qitāli wa t-ta<sup>c</sup>arrudi bihī lahum.

Al-Muthaqqib al-CAbdī, Mufadd., 588/44: a al-khayru lladhī ana abtaghīhi/ami sh-sharru lladhī huwa yabtaghīnī, "[I do not know whether good or evil will be my lot as I make my endeavor] whether it will be the good that I am seeking or the evil that is seeking me." (In this verse, with its play upon two meanings of *ibtaghā*, it is the second use of *ibtaghā* [= huwa yabtaghīnī] which provides the shāhid for the Qur'ānic verse.) Nāb., 50/21: wujūhu kilābin tabtaghī man tujādi<sup>C</sup>ū, "[They are people with] faces of dogs, and they seek out people whom they would revile." (Cf. al-Akhnas ibn Shihāb, Mufadd., 417/ 16). Suhaym, 39/3: idhā mā faraghnā min siwāri qabīlatin/ samawnā li ukhrā nabtaghī man nusawirū, "Once we have finished with our attack on one tribe, we set out toward another, seeking out those we would assail [next]."

(b) to have contact/relations with sb:

\*lā nabtaghī l-jāhilīna, We do not wish to have anything to do with ignorant people: 28:55 [n.].

\*wa mani btaghayta min man <sup>C</sup>azalata, And those whom you would like to keep, from among those you have dissociated yourself from: 33:51 [obj und].

28:55: Kash., 3:173 Lā nurīdu mukhālaṭatahum wa suḥbatahum.

ii. ibtaghā sabīlan, to take a course of action: 17:110.

iii. ibtaghā wajha llāhi, to seek the pleasure [lit: face] of God: 2:272; 13:22; 92:20. [All masdars.]

See also 148 (RWD) IV.iii.

2. + OBJ + PREP [a. bayna; b. fi; c.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

a. ibtaghā bayna sh-shay'ayni sabīlan, to take/follow the middle course [lit: a path between two things]: 17:110.

The verse says that, in the prayer, the Qur'an should be recited neither in too loud nor in too low a voice.

**b.** The expressions, *ibtaghā nafaqan fī l-arḍi* and *ibtaghā sullaman fī s-samā'i*, both in the same verse—6:35—signify doing one's utmost to accomplish sth:

\*fa ini stat<sup>C</sup>ta an tabtaghiya nafaqan fi l-ardi aw sullaman fi ssamā'i, But if you can find a tunnel in the earth or a ladder that leads into the heavens [then do try to find such a thing].

Kash., 2:11: The verse speaks of the Prophet's desire to satisfy the unbelievers' demand for a miracle, telling him to produce by himself, if he can, a "sign"—a sign brought forth from the earth underneath or the skies overhead. The implication, of course, is that it is not possible for the Prophet

to produce such a sign, and, further, that it is not necessary to meet the unbelievers' demand.

A<sup>c</sup>shā, 159/32: la in kunta fī jubbin thamānīna gāmatin/wa ruqqīta asbāba s-samā'i bi sullamī, "If you were to [tear up the earth and] descend into a hole eighty fathoms deep, or were to be raised to the outskirts of the heavens by means of a ladder." Umm aṣ-Ṣarīḥ al-Kindiyyah, Ḥam., 2:933/2: abaw an yafirrū wa l-qanā fī nuḥurihim/wa lam yartaqū min khashyati I-mawti sullama, "They refused to flee, even though spears were planted in their chests/their chests were exposed to spears, and they did not seek, from fear of death, a ladder [that they might take to reach a safe place]." (Cf. al-Husayn ibn al-Humam, Mufadd., 120:40: wa la mubtaghin min rahbati I-mawti sullama, "Nor am I one who would, from fear of death, seek a ladder [to climb to safety].") Ibid., 268 (guoted by Anbari): idhan la zurnaki wa law bi sullami, "[If, O my beloved, you had settled in such-and-such places] we would have visited you, if by means of a ladder"; also, Hat., 237/27; Zuh., 30/[4]. A similar expression (with variations) is, sacida fi I-jabali, as in CAbd Allah ibn Awfa al-Khuzaci, Ham., 3:1520/8. Cf. also Jabir ibn Hunayy, Mufadd., 424/10.

Cf. 353 (MDD) 1.4.

c. ibtaghā ilayhi sabīlan, to make a hostile move against sb, launch an attack against sb: 17:42.

See Kash., 2:362.

#### 25. BQY

### IV. abgā

#### VB

\*lā tubqī wa lā tadharu, It [hell] will show no mercy/take no pity and spare none/nothing: 74:28.

Abqā here has the sense of abqā <sup>C</sup>alayhi, "to have mercy on sb" (Tad., 8:53 [see also Kash., 4:159]). Lā abqā Ilāhu <sup>C</sup>alayya in abqaytu <sup>C</sup>alayka, "May God take no mercy on me if I take mercy on you." Aq., 1:55. <sup>C</sup>Ant., 111/[1]: wa nāru hajriki lā tubqī wa lā tadharū, "And the fire of separation from you takes no mercy on me and gives me no rest." Şafiyyah al-Bāhiliyyah, Ham., 2:949/3: akhnā <sup>C</sup>alā wāḥidin raybu zzamāni wa mā/yubqī z-zamānu <sup>C</sup>alā shay'in wa mā yadharū "The vicissitudes of time crushed one [of us]; time is kind to no one and spares nothing." Al-Muthaggib al-CAbdī, Mufaḍḍ., 586/36: a kullu d-dahri ḥallun wa rtiḥālun/a mā yubqī <sup>c</sup>alayya wa mā yaqīnī, "[My she-camel said], Will it always be stopping [at one place] and then departing [for another]? Will he [my owner] take no mercy on me and not save me [from fatigue]?" Also, Zuh., 307/[1]; <sup>c</sup>Ant., 90/[1].

# 26. BKY

I. bakā

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

bakā <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to cry over sb, mourn the loss of sb:

fa mā bakat <sup>c</sup>alayhimu s-samā'u wa l-arḍu, And the heaven and the earth shed no tears over them: 44:29.

See Kash., 3:432.

Muhalhil, quoted by Marzūqī in Ham., 2:591: yubkā calaynā wa lā nabkī calā aḥadin, "Others weep over/mourn us [= our dead people], but we do not weep over/mourn anyone." Qays ibn Zuhayr al-CAbsī, Ham., 1:428/2: wa law lā zulmuhū mā ziltu abkī/Calayhi d-dahra mā ṭalaCa n-nujūmū "Were it not for the wrong he committed, I would have wept over him for as long as the stars will rise." Also, Imr., 126/9; CAnt., 90/[4]; Mutammim ibn Nuwayrah, Mufaḍḍ, 79/45 (quoted at 2 (TY), I.3.a.i(b)).

# 27. BLGh

I. balagha

1. VB

balagha, to be complete:

*\*fa li llāhi l-ḥujjatu l-bālighatu,* To God belongs the Complete/ Decisive Proof: 6:149.

\*hikmatun bālighatun, Wisdom in its most complete form: 54:4.

2. + OBJ

i. In a number of expressions balagha means "to reach a certain age":

(a) balagha l-huluma, to reach puberty: 24:58, 59.

(**b**) balagha ashuddahū:

(i) to come of age: 6:152; 17:34; 18:82; 22:5; 28:14; 40:67; 46:15 [n.].

Balagha s-sabiyyu, "(of a child) to come of age." Asās, 50. Umayyah ibn Abī s-Şalt, Ham., 2:755/4: fa lammā balaghta ssinna wa l-ghāyata llatī/ilayhā madā mā kuntu fika u'ammilū, "When you came of age and reached the highest stage [of maturity] that I used to hope for in regard to you."

46:15: The verse may be listed at (ii) below if the conjunction  $w\bar{a}w$  between balagha ashuddah $\bar{u}$  and balagha arba $c\bar{i}na$ sanatan is taken to be exegetical. But it probably belongs at i. Işlāh $\bar{i}$ , putting the verse in context, assigns meaning (i) to the expression (Tad., 6:363-64), though elsewhere (ibid., 3:448) he cites the verse as instantiating meaning (ii).

(ii) to become fully mature: 12:22.

Cf. *ijtama<sup>c</sup>a ashuddahū*, as in Suḥaym ibn Wathīl ar-Riyāḥī, Aṣm., 19/7.

On 46:15, see (i) above, with n.

Cf. 187 (SWY) VIII.1.

(c) \*balagha <sup>C</sup>itiyyan mina l-kibari, to become decrepit with old age: 19:8.

(d) balagha n-nikāha, to reach the age of marriage: 4:6.

(e) \*fa lamma balagha ma<sup>c</sup>ahū s-sa<sup>c</sup>ya, When he [Ishmael] reached an age at which he could move about/run around with him [= when he was able to assist his father, Abraham, in his work]: 37:102 [n.].

> Kash., 3:306: Fa lammā balagha an yas<sup>c</sup>ā ma<sup>c</sup>a abīhi fī ashghālihī wa ḥawā'ijihī. Also, Tad., 5:482.

ii. balagha l-ajala, to complete a given period of time: 2:231 [n.], 232 [n.], 234 [n.]; 6:128; 7:135 [act pt]; 40:67; 65:2 [n.].

\*hattā yablugha l-kitābu ajalahū, Until the prescribed period is completed: 2:235.

In 2:231, 232, and 65:2 it is the waiting period (stated in 2:228) that a divorced woman has to observe before remarrying; in 2:234, the waiting period a widow has to observe.

iii. to achieve/complete/attain sth:

(a) balagha al-amra:

(i) to achieve one's goal/objective:

*\*inna llāha bālighu amrihī*, God always achieves his purposes: 65:3.

Kash., 4:109-10. Al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Qaş., 468/62: wa amru llāhi balghun, "And God's plan shall be carried out"; also, <sup>C</sup>Imrān ibn al-Huşayn, D. al-Khaw., 162/4 [no. 210]. Cf. balagha r-rajā'a, "to get one's wish," as in Su<sup>C</sup>dā bint ash-Shamardal, Aşm., 102/9.

(ii) to turn sth to account, get/obtain from sth what one wants:

\*in fi sudurihim illa kibrun ma hum bi balighihi, All that their hearts contain is pride, but they are not going to get anything out of it [= their pride will not get them anywhere/they will fail of their purpose]: 40:56.

(b) balagha l-hājata, to satisfy one's need: 40:80.

Hafs ibn <sup>C</sup>Ulaym, Ham., 3:1336/2: țalabtu l-hawā lghawriyya hattā balaghtuhū, "I pursued love, which had its [high and] low points, until finally I achieved/realized it [= was successful]."

(c)  $m\bar{a}$  balaghū mi<sup>c</sup>shāra mā ātaynāhum, They have not attained even one tenth of what We gave them [= others before them]: 34:45 [n.].

That is, the earlier nations possessed greater power and enjoyed a higher degree of prosperity.

Cf. Hass., 146/4].

On iii in general: Al-Aswar ibn Ja<sup>C</sup>far, Mufadd., 454/27: yantiqna makhfuda I-hadīthi tahāmusan/fa balaghna mā hāwalna ghayra tanādi, "They [women] speak in low tones, whispering, obtaining what they desire without raising their voices."

iv. \*wa balaghati l-qulubu l-hanājira, And [when, on account of extreme fear] your hearts leapt to your throats: 33:10 [n.].

> Cf. "to have one's heart in one's mouth." Cf. v below.

v. In the following two expressions the image depicted is that of one breathing his last, his spirit, on its way out of the body, having reached the throat.

*\*idhā balaghati l-ḥulqūma,* When it [soul] reaches the throat: 56:83.

*\*idhā balaghati t-tarāqiya,* When it [soul] reaches the collarbone: 75:26.

33:10: Kash., 3:230. Cf., with the verse, Ta'abbața Sharran, quoted by Anbari, *Mufaḍḍ.*, 199/[4]. Cf. iv above.

vi. balagha l-<sup>c</sup>udhra: 18:76: see 3 below.

3. + OBJ + PREP [min]

balagha *I-cudhra minhu*, to be justified in refusing to accomodate sb any further [after having done enough for sb/having given sb all the allowances one could]:

\*qad balaghta min ladunni <sup>C</sup>udhran, You have an excuse in my case/as far as I am concerned: 18:76.

The verse is sometimes mistranslated. It does not mean, "You have heard enough excuses from me," but that: By showing me every consideration you could, you have reached the limit as far as I am concerned, so that if I were to make any further demands on you, you could justifiably excuse yourself from complying with them.

CUrwah ibn al-Ward, Ham., 1:465: li yablugha <sup>c</sup>udhran aw yusība raghībatan/wa mublighu nafsin <sup>c</sup>udhrahā mithlu munjihī, "[One must try one's best] in order that one either has an excuse to offer [namely, that one has done all that could be done] or achieves one's objective. And one who comes by such an excuse is like one who actually succeeds." Also, Nāb., 53/32.

I. balā

VB

bala, to perish:

\*wa mulkin lā yablā, And a kingdom that shall not perish: 20:120.

IV. ablā

+ OBJ

ablāhu llāhu balā'an ḥasanan, (of God) to cause/enable/allow sb to show his mettle: 8:17.

<sup>28.</sup> BLY

Following Işlāhī, Tad., 3:41. Ablā fī l-harbi balā'an hasanan is explained in Aq., 1:61 as: azhara ba'sahū hattā balāhu nnāsu wa mtahanūhu. Cf. Kash., 2:119.

# 29. BNY

1. banā

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}a/\bar{a}$ ]

banā <sup>C</sup>alayhi bunyānan, to erect/build a structure/monument [= tomb] over a [deceased] person: 18:21.

Hafs ibn al-Ahnaf al-Kinānī, Ham., 2:905/2: nafarat galūsī min hijārati harratin/buniyat <sup>c</sup>alā talgi l-yadayni wahūbī "My young she-camel bolted at the sight of black stones that had been laid over a man who was most generous and freehanded." Also, Jufayl ibn <sup>c</sup>Awf al-Ghanawi, Krenk., 19/8. Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:384) explains <sup>c</sup>alayhim in the verse

as: <sup>c</sup>alā bābi kahfihim.

# 30. BW'

I. bā'a

+ PREP [ba]

bā'a bihī, to incur sth, end up with sth:

\*wa  $b\bar{a}'\bar{u}$  bi ghadabin mina llahi, And they ended up earning the wrath of God: 2:61 [n.].

\*innī urīdu an tabū'a bi ithmī wa ithmī, 1 want you to end up bearing [the burdern of] my sin and your own: 5:29 [n.].

Also: 2:90; 3:112; 3:162; 8:16.

*Bā'a fulānun bi fulānin* means: to deserve death for having killed sb. Thus 2:61, for example, means: They became deserving of the wrath of God. *Kash.*, 1:72 (also, ibid., 1:210 [on 3:112]). See also *Maj.*, 1:161 (on 5:29); *Tad.*, 1:181 (on 2:61).

## 31. BWR

I. bāra

VB<sup>·</sup>

bara sh-shay'u, (of sth) to fail to yield results:

\*wa makru ulā'ika huwa yabūru, It is the strategem of these people that will come to naught: 35:10.

*\*tijāratan lan tabūra,* a bargain/deal that shall not fail to pay off: 35:29.

*Bārati s-sūqu,* "(of the market) to be dull"; *bāra l-<sup>C</sup>amalu,* "(of an act) to bear no result." *Aq.,* 1:67. See also *Maj.,* 2:155.

### 32. BYT

II. bayyata

+ OBJ

i. bayyata l-amra, to deliberate on a matter secretly:

\*bayyata tā'ifatun minhum ghayra lladhī taqūlu . . . wa llāhu yaktubu mā yubayyitūna, A certain group from among them engages in secret deliberations, contrary to what it professes . . . and God is recording the secret deliberations they are making: 4:81 [obj in second occurrence und; n.].

Also: 4:108.

Bayyata in these verses does not necessarily mean "to do sth by night," but "to do sth surreptitiously" (see Introduction, "Uses"). Tad., 4:118. The same is true of ii, below. Likewise, the expression bayyatahū *I-amru* (as in Ibn Muq., 177/32) means that a problem presents itself to somebody suddenly-not necessarily at night. Cf. 205 (*SBH*) II, n.

4:81: The mā in mā yubayyitūna, here taken in the sense of alladhī, may also be interpreted differently. See <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:188.

ii. bayyata fulānan, to kill sb secretly: 27:49.

See n. to i above.

# 33. BYD

IX. ibyaḍḍa

VB

i. ibyadda wajhuhū, (of sb's face) to light up [with joy, pleasure, etc.] 3:106, 107.

Muf., 66; Kash., 2:271. Bayyada llāhu wajhahū, "May God fill him with joy/make him happy!" Aq., 1:69. Cf. 171 (SFR) IV.ii, and 185 (SWD) IX.

ii. ibyaddat <sup>c</sup>aynāhu, to lose one's eyesight [lit: (of one's eyes) to turn white]:

\*wa byaddat <sup>C</sup>aynāhu mina l-huzni, And he lost his vision because of grief: 12:84.

See Kash., 2:271.

Cf. al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Qaş., 337/24: qabla mā l-yawmi bayyadat bi <sup>c</sup>uyūni n-/nāsi fihā ta<sup>c</sup>ayyuţun wa ibā'ū, "Even before this day, it [our glory] has had a blinding effect on people's eyes, being stiff-necked and defiant [as it is]." ΤĀ'

34. TBB

# I. tabba

### VB

tabbat yadāhu, His power is broken! 111:1//.

As Islāhī points out, tabba in 111:1 is not an imprecation but a prediction. Tabbat yadāhu thus means: Abū Lahab's power (yad = power) will be broken. (The use of the perfect tense indicates that the prediction is as good as come true [cf. 300 (QTL) 1, n.]) The verb tabba occurs a second time in the verse, with Abū Lahab as its subject; the meaning is that, besides losing his power, Abū Lahab himself will be destroyed. Tad., 8:629-30. The second use of the verb is not idiomatic, however. Cf. Kash., 4:240.

### 35. TB<sup>C</sup>

IV. atba<sup>C</sup>a

+ OBJ

atba<sup>c</sup>a sababan, to undertake a task/mission:

\*fa atba<sup>c</sup>a sababan, Then he undertook/went on an expedition: 18:85.

Also:18:89, 92.

Atba<sup>c</sup>a means "to follow, go after," and sabab is "means, resources." Atba<sup>c</sup>a sababan thus means: He took stock of

the resources. By extension, the expression comes to mean: to make preparations for an expedition. *Tad.*, 4:72.

VIII. ittaba<sup>c</sup>a

1. + OBJ

i. ittaba<sup>c</sup>a khuțuwāti sh-shayțāni, to follow in the footsteps of Satan: 2:168, 208; 6:142; 24:21 [twice].

ii. In 6:153, wa lā tattabi<sup>c</sup>ū s-subula means: Do not follow all these various [wrong] paths.

Kash., 2:48-49.

2. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

*ittaba<sup>c</sup>ahū* <sup>c</sup>anhu, to follow sth to the neglect/disregard of sth else:

\*wa lā tattibi<sup>c</sup> ahwā'ahum <sup>c</sup>an mā jā'aka mina l-ḥaqqi, Do not follow their [whimsical/capricious] desires, drawing away from the truth that has come to you: 5:48.

On the use of the preposition can, see Kash., 1:342.

#### 36. TRK

I. taraka

+ OBJ + HAL

tarakahū sudan, to let sb get away with it, let sb go scot-free: 75:36 [pass].

Ibil sudan are camels that have been left to graze freely (= muhmalah). Asās, 291 (SDY); Mukh., 293. Arģ sudan is uncultivated/unpopulated land (=  $l\bar{a}$  tu<sup>c</sup>maru). Asās, 291 (SDY).

37. T<sup>C</sup>S

I. ta<sup>c</sup>isa

VB

\*fa ta<sup>c</sup>san lahum, May they perish! 47:8.

See Muf., 74. Cf. 23 (B<sup>C</sup>D) 1.1, and 164 (SHQ) 1.

# 38. TMM

I. tamma

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

\*wa tammat kalimatu rabbika l-husnā <sup>c</sup>alā banī isrā īla, And the good promise [lit: statement] of your Lord came to be fulfilled for the Israelites: 7:137.

A reference to 7:128-29 (Tad., 2:733) or 28:5-6 (Kash., 2:87). Possible tadmin of manna, suggested by 28:5 (wa nuridu an namunna <sup>c</sup>alā lladhīna stud<sup>c</sup>ifū fī l-ardi), or of an<sup>c</sup>ama.

IV. atamma

1. + OBJ

atammahū, to fulfill sth, carry sth out:

\*fa atammahunna, And he [Abraham] carried them [God's injunctions] out: 2:124.

Kash., 1:92.

**2.** + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

atamma ilayhi l-cahda, to fulfill one's pledge to sb: 9:4.

Taḍmīn of addā. Kash. (2:139): Fa addūhu ilayhim tāmman.

39. TWB

I. tāba

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>ala]

*tāba llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayh*, (of God) to tum to sb in mercy: 2:37, 54, 128, 160, 187; 3:128 [n.]; 4:17, 26, 27; 5:39, 71; 9:15, 27, 102, 106, 117, 118; 20:122; 33:24, 73; 58:13; 73:20.

*Ilā* is the preposition tāba normally takes. When used with <sup>c</sup>alā, the verb acquires the tadmīn-meaning of raḥmah. *Tad.*, 1:125. (See also Introduction, "Definition and Scope"). Cf. Kash., 1:64: Fa tāba <sup>c</sup>alayhi: fa raja<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alayhi bi r-raḥmati wa *I*-qabūli; and Aq., 1:81, where tāba *llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi* is explained as: raja<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alayhi bi fadlihī, "(of God) to turn to sb in His mercy." Although it would not be wrong to use tāba

<sup>c</sup>alayhi with a human being as the subject of the verb (it is so used, for example, by Zamakhsharī (1:267) $-t\bar{u}b\bar{u}$ <sup>c</sup>alayhinna—in explaining 4:34), the expression is, perhaps, properly used with God as the subject, and so it has been used in the Qur'ān throughout—with one exception, 3:128, where Muhammad is the subject. But this is not a true exception, for the verse says that Muhammad may not arrogate God's power to forgive or punish. THÂ'

40. ThBT

I. thabata VB

thabata l-qadamu, to hold/maintain one's ground [lit: (of feet) to be established: 8:45/.

\*fa tazilla qadamun ba<sup>c</sup>da thubūtihā, Lest you should slip up after having held your ground: 16:94.

Cf. Zuh., 250/[2]. Cf. 155 (*ThBT*) I.

II. thabbata

+ OBJ

thabbatah $\overline{u}$ , to cause/enable sb to stand firm/hold his ground, establish sth firmly:

\*wa tathbitan min anfusihim, And in order to strengthen their own selves: 2:265 [n.].

\**mā nuthabbitu bihī fu'ādaka,* By means of which we make you firm of heart/give courage to your heart: 11:120.

\*wa thabbit aqdamana, And enable us to stand firm: 2:250; 3:147.

Also: 8:11, 12 [n.]; 14:27; 16:102; 17:74; 25:32; 47:7.

2:265: The phrase *min anfusihim* is here construed as an object (see *Tad.*, 1:573). For other possibilities, see *Kash.*, 1:161.

The difference between thabbata fu'ādahū (11:120; 25:32) and thabbata qadamahū (2:250; 3:147; 8:11; 47:7) seems to be this: the former refers to courage as a state of mind (cf. Kash., 2:239: Wa ma<sup>c</sup>nā tathbīti fu'ādihī ziyādatu yaqīnihī wa mā fīhi tuma'nīnatu qalbihī), the latter, to courage as displayed in conduct (ibid., 1:150: Hab lanā mā nathbutu bihī fī madāhidi l-harbi...).

Hurayth ibn <sup>C</sup>Annāb, Ham., 2:631: wa la llāhu a<sup>c</sup>tānī lmawaddata minhumū/wa thabbata sāqī ba<sup>c</sup>da mā kidtu a<sup>c</sup>thurū, "It is God Who has filled me with love and affection for them, and enabled me to stand firm after I was about to stumble."

8:11: Cf Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:118), who seems to prefer the literal meaning of the expression: . . . wa talabbada rramlu lladhī baynahum wa bayna l-<sup>c</sup>aduwwi ḥattā thabatat <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-aqdāmu.

IV. athbata

#### + OBI

athbatahū, to imprison sb, take sb into custody: 8:30.

Zamakhsharī (Asās, 69) cites the following expressions: athbatūhū, "They imprisoned him/held him in custody"; darabūhu hattā athbatūhu, "They beat him to a pulp"; athbatat'hu l-jirāhātu, "The injury left him too weak to move"; athbatahū s-suqmu, "His illness left him too weak to move." Athbata in 8:30 thus may mean "to imprison" or "to wound seriously." See also Kash., 2:123; Aq., 1:85. Cf. Mukh., 82, and Muf., 78.

### 41. ThKhN

IV. athkhana

**1.** VB

athkhana fi l-ardi, to cause carnage/shed blood in the land: 8:67.

Kash., 2:134. See also 172 (SFK) I.

#### 2. + OBJ

athkhana I-Caduwwa, to massacre/slaughter the enemy: 47:4.

Athkhanat'hu l-jirāhatu, "(of a wound) to weaken/debilitate sb." Ag., 1:86; Mukh., 82; Kash., 3:453.

# 42. ThRB

II. tharraba
 + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]
 tharraba <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to reproach/castigate sb:
 \*lā tathrība <sup>c</sup>alaykumu l-yawma, No blame attaches to you today: 12:92.

Kash., 2:274.

43. ThQL

I. thaqula VB

i. \*thaqulat fi s-samāwāti wa l-ardi, The heavens and the earth have become heavy with it [the hereafter]: 7:187.

The image is that of a pregnant woman who is about to give birth to a child, and the verse accordingly implies that the hereafter is at hand. Tad., 2:780. (Cf. Nab., 232/7). Thaqulati I-mar'atu, "(of a woman's pregnancy) to become noticeable." Aq., 1:91. Cf. Maj., 1:235; Kash., 2:107; Muf., 80.

ii. \*fa man thaqulat mawāzīnuhū, Then he whose scales are heavy
 [= whose good deeds outweigh his bad deeds]: 7:8; 23:102.
 Also: 101:6.

Mawāzīn may be the plural of mīzān ("balance") or mawzūn ("that which is weighed," i.e. deeds). Kash., 2:54 Cf. 90 (KhFF) I.

IV. athqala

VB

athqalati I-mar'atu, (of a woman) to become heavy with child: 7:189.

VI. tathāqala

+ PREP [ilā]

*\*iththāqaltum ilā l-ardi,* You are weighed down to the ground [= you drag your feet]: 9:38.

Taḍmīn of rakana (see Aq., 1:91) or mayl or ikhlād (Kash., 2:152). Also, Maj., 1:260.

#### 44. ThNY

I. thanā

+ OBI

Thanā sadrahū, 11:5, and thanā <sup>c</sup>itfahū, 22:9, both mean: to turn away in indifference/pride [lit: to "fold" one's sadr ("chest") [11:5], turn one's <sup>c</sup>itf ("side") [22:9]; cf. "to give a shrug of the shoulders"].

Although the two idioms have the same meaning, the slight difference in their wording (sadr in 11:5, *Citf* in 22:9) may be significant. The context of 11:5 refers to those who shun divine guidance: they try to hide from God (*li yastakhfū minhu*). And the last part of the verse says that God is fully aware of the secrets in men's hearts (innahū Calīmun bi dhāti s-sudūri). In this cluster of ideas—"hiding," "secrets," and "the heart as the repository of secrets"—the use of the word sadr in 11:5 would seem to be apposite. In 22:9, on the other hand, *Citf* and adalla both partake of the meaning of "crookedness" (*Citf*, "side" [cf. *fi t-tarīqi Catfun*, "There is a twist/curve in the road" (Aq., 2:797)]; adalla, "to cause to deviate/swerve"). Also, the context of 22:9 refers to a person who not only rejects guidance himself, but, taking a step further, tries to lead other people astray as well (*li yuḍilla Can sabīlihī*).

There may be another difference between the two expressions: 11:5 seems to suggest that one "turns away" in indifference, 22:9, that one does so in pride—though indifference and pride are not, and to the Qur'an they are definitely not, mutually exclusive. This difference is suggested, but not brought out explicitly, by Zamakhshari's commentary on the two verses (Kash., 2:207 [on 11:5]; 3:27 [on 22:9]). A close look at the context of each verse would lend some support to this distinction.

Cf. Shamm., 115/9: nubbi'tu anna rabī<sup>c</sup>an an ra<sup>c</sup>ā ibilan/ yuhdī ilayya khanāhu thāniya *l*-jīdī, "I am told that Rabī<sup>c</sup>, now that he grazes camels [= has become wealthy], sends me the gift of foul language, being stuck up." Also, Hass., 189/[3].

Cf. 371 (N'Y) I, and 417 (WLY) V.2. Cf. also hazza <sup>C</sup>itfahū, "to make sb happy," as in Ta'abbata Sharran, Ham., 1:94/2.

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Thā'

# 45. ThWR

IV. a t h ā r a + OBJ athāra I-arḍa:

i. to till the land:
\*lā tuthīru l-arḍa, She [cow] does not till the land: 2:71.
ii. to cultivate/develop the land:

\*wa athārū l-arḍa, And they cultivated/developed the land: 30:9/.

Cf. Maj., 2:119.

JĪM

### 46. *JBY*

### I. jabā

+ PREP [ilā]

\*yujbā ilayhi thamarātu kulli shay'in, Fruits/produce of all kinds are/is brought in to it [Makkah]: 28:57.

Tadmīn of some word like ahdā. Jabā I-kharāja, "to collect (land) tax"; jabā I-mā'a fī I-hawdi, "to collect water in a pool." Asās, 80. Jabā is often used with kharāj, "(land) tax, tribute" as its object, and, in 28:57, the use of jabā instead of some other word (like jama<sup>c</sup>a, "to collect") may contain a subtle reference to the religious-spiritual and political supremacy of Makkah over other places, which paid "homage" or "tribute" to Makkah. Al-Akhnas ibn Shihāb, Mufadd., 417/17: wa Iakhmun mulūku n-nāsi yujbā ilayhimū, "And the Lakhmids are the kings of people; tribute is collected and presented to them."

VIII. ijtabā

1. OBJ

ijtabāhu, to fabricate sth:

\*law lā jtabaytahā, Why does he [Prophet] not make one [= sign] up? 7:203.

In a context of satire, *ijtabā* comes to mean "to trump sth up." Işlāhī, quoting Farrā' (*Tad.*, 2:789). **2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

*ijtabā llāhu fulānan ilayhi,* (of God) to single sb out for His favor/ mercy: 42:13.

Tadmin of garraba. Cf. Tad., 6:149, 154.

47. JRM

I. jarama

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

jaramahū <sup>c</sup>alā l-amri, to induce sb to do sth:

<sup>'</sup>\*wa lā yajrimannakum shana'ānu qawmin <sup>c</sup>alā an lā ta<sup>c</sup>dilū, Hostility toward a people must not lead/motivate you to act unjustly [toward them]: 5:8.

Also: 5:2; 11:89.

Taḍmīn of ḥamala. See Aq., 1:113; Kash., 1:326. Muf., 1:147.

48. *J<sup>C</sup>L* 

I. ja<sup>c</sup>ala

1. + OBJ

*ja<sup>c</sup>alahū*, to sanction/commission sth:

\*wa mā ja<sup>c</sup>alnā l-qiblata llatī kunta <sup>c</sup>alayhā illā li na<sup>c</sup>lama . . . , And Our only purpose in decreeing the qiblah you had adopted was to find out. . . : 2:143.

\**mā ja<sup>c</sup>ala llāhu min baḥīratin*..., God has provided no sanction for the *baḥīrah*...: 5:103 [n.].

Ja<sup>c</sup>ala in these verses has the sense of shara<sup>c</sup>a. Kash., 1:368; Tad., 2:321, 373.

5:103: *Bahīrah* was a she-camel that had brought forth five young ones, the last one a male. She was not to be ridden or milched. Her ear slit, she was left free to roam about. Ibid.

Cf. 3.a.ii below.

**2.**+ OBJ + OBJ

i. The following six expressions mean: to destroy/annihilate sb/sth:

(a) \*hattā ja<sup>c</sup>alnāhum hasīdan khāmidīna, Until We mowed them down and not a spark [of life] was left in them: 21:15.

See also 97 (KhMD) 1.

(b) \* fa ja<sup>C</sup> alnāhum ghuthā'an, And We reduced them to scum: 23:41.

(c) \*fa ja<sup>c</sup>alnāhu habā'an manthūran, And We shall reduce it [= supposedly good actions performed by the wicked] to particles of dust scattered all over: 25:23.

On the image conveyed by habā'an manthūran, see Kash., 3:94.

(d) *ja<sup>c</sup>ala <sup>c</sup>āliya sh-shay'i sāfilahā*, to reduce sth to a topsy-turvy state, throw sth into complete disorder/utter confusion: 11:82; 15:74.

Cf. Imr., 120/5.

(e) \*wa ja<sup>c</sup>alnāhum ahādītha, And We reduced them to so many tales and legends: 23:44.

Also: 34:19.

See Tad., 4:459; Kash., 3:48. Cf. Maj., 1:59, and Muf., 110 (HDTh).

(f)  $ja^{c}alah\bar{u}$  salafan: 43:56: see n. to ii(a) below.

ii. ja<sup>c</sup>alahū mathalan:

(a) to make an example of sb: 43:56.

See Tad., 6:239; Kash., 3:423.

43:56, fa ja<sup>c</sup>alnāhum salafan wa mathalan li l-ākhirīna, is a compound idiom, and its two constituent idioms are connected with each other through a complex play upon words. In the first, the word salaf has two meanings: (1) a thing of the past, and (2) predecessor, ancestor, and forefather. The second idiom, taken in isolation, also has two meanings: (1) to make an example of somebody, and (2) to cause sb to serve as a good example to sb (see (b) below)). The verse is saying, on one level, that the earlier peoples were made a "thing of the past" (meaning (1) of ja<sup>c</sup>alahū salafan) and that, in punishing them, God "made an example of them" (meaning (1) of ja<sup>c</sup>alahū mathalan). On another level, the verse is saying—of course ironically—that the earlier peoples served

as worthy "predecessors" (meaning (2) of  $ja^{c}alah\bar{u}$  salafan) or "examplars"  $ja^{c}alah\bar{u}$  mathalan) for the later generations, the implication being that the later generations failed to learn from the fate of the earlier ones, and accordingly met the same fate.

(b) to cause sb to serve as/set a good example: 43:59.

iii. ja<sup>c</sup>alahū judhādhan, to break/smash sth to pieces: 21:58.

iv. The following two expressions mean literally "to break sth to pieces" (cf. ii above), but imply grossly violating something:

(a) ja<sup>c</sup>ala sh-shay'a <sup>c</sup>idina, to tear sth to pieces:

\*alladhīna ja<sup>c</sup>alū l-qur'āna <sup>c</sup>idīna, Those who ripped the Qur'ān to pieces: 15:91.

Qur'an here stands for the Torah, which was the "Qur'an" of the Jews. Tad., 3:625. Cf. Kash., 2:319-20.

(b) \*taj<sup>c</sup>alūnahū qarātīsa, Tearing it [Torah] to shreds [lit: to so many sheets of paper] as you do: 6:91.

See Tad., 2:484. Cf. Kash., 2:27.

v. ja<sup>c</sup>ala llāhu sadrahū dayyiqan: 6:125: see 227 (DYQ) I.1.ii.

vi. ja<sup>c</sup>ala qalbahū gāsiyan: 2:74 . . . 57:16: see 309 (QSW) I.

vii. ja<sup>c</sup>ala yadahū maghlūlatan: 17:29: see 277 (GhLL) 1.2.

viii. ja<sup>c</sup>ala llāha <sup>c</sup>urdatan li yamīnihī, to use God's name to swear improper/needless oaths [lit: to make God the target of one's oath]: 2:224.

Tad., 1:485. Cf. Zamakhshari (Kash., 1:135), who explains curdah as hājiz ("shield").

ix. ja<sup>c</sup>alahū dakkā'a: 18:98: see 112 (DKK) I.

**x.** \*yawman yaj<sup>C</sup>alu l-wildana shiban, A [calamitous] day that will turn children into old men: 73:17.

Kash., 4:154-55.

Cf. Hass., 478/[3]: tashību n-nāhidu l-cadhrā'u fihā/wa yasqutu min makhāfatihā l-janīnun, "[Such a terrible raid/ attack] that a buxom virgin will grow old in it, and the fetus will be miscarried because of the fear caused by it." (Hassān could be alluding to the above-cited Qur'ānic verse, and also to another-22:2.) Also, ibid., 132/[1]; Lab., 222/19; CAnt., 257/[8]..

3. + OBJ + PREP [a. calā; b. fī; c. lām; d. tahta]

a. ja<sup>c</sup>alahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to put/place sth over sth, cover sth up with sth:

\*wa ja<sup>C</sup>alnā <sup>C</sup>alā qulūbihim akinnatan, And We have covered up their hearts [= rendered those people incapable of understanding the words of guidance]: 6:25; 17:46 [n.].

\*wa ja<sup>c</sup>ala <sup>c</sup>alā baṣarihī ghishāwatan, And over whose eyes He has drawn a veil [= whom He has rendered incapable of seeing/ recognizing the truth]: 45:23.

Also: 18:57.

Cf. 79 (KhTM) 1, 192 (ShDD) 1.2.ii, and 228 (TBC) 1.

ii. to impose sth [e.g. obligation] upon sb:

*\*innamā ju<sup>c</sup>ila s-sabtu <sup>c</sup>alā lladhīna khtalafū fīhi,* The [observance of the] Sabbath was made obligatory only upon those who had developed differences in regard to it: 16:124.

Ja<sup>c</sup>ala here has the sense of laying down or imposing a legal injunction (*shara<sup>c</sup>a*). See Islāhī, *Tad.*, 3:707; cf. 1 above. Cf. Zamakhsharī (*Kash.*, 2:348), who explains ju<sup>c</sup>ila s-sabtu in the verse as: ju<sup>c</sup>ila wabālu s-sabti.

A<sup>c</sup>shā, 181/49: wa *I-jā<sup>c</sup>ilū I-qūta <sup>c</sup>alā I-yāsirī*, "And they are the ones who obligate the rich to provide food [to the poor during the difficult days of winter]."

iii. to impose/inflict sth [e.g. a curse] upon sb:

*\*fa naj<sup>c</sup>al la<sup>c</sup>nata llāhi <sup>c</sup>alā l-kādhibīna,* And then let us put God's curse on liars: 3:61.

\*kadhālika yaj<sup>c</sup>alu r-rijsa <sup>c</sup>alā lladhīna lā yu'minūna, In this way does God inflict impurity on those who do not believe: 6:125.

\*in ja<sup>c</sup>ala llahu l-layla <sup>c</sup>alaykum sarmadan, If God were to impose upon you interminable night: 28:71.

\**mā yurīdu llāhu li yaj<sup>c</sup>ala <sup>c</sup>alaykum min ḥarajin,* God does not want to cause you any hardship: 5:6.

Also: 10:100; 28:72.

iv. to put sb in charge of sth:

*\*ij<sup>c</sup>alnī <sup>c</sup>alā khazā'ini l-arḍi,* Put me in charge of the country's resources: 12:55.

**b.** ja<sup>c</sup>alahū fīhi:

i.  $ja^{c}ala a s \bar{a} b i^{c} a h \bar{u}$  fi udhunayhi, to stuff one's fingers into one's ears [so as to avoid hearing sth]: 2:19; 71:7.

ii.  $ja^{c}ala \ llahu \ fi \ udhunayhi \ waqran$ , (of God) to plug up sb's ears [= render him incapable of hearing/understanding the truth/make him disregard the words of guidance]: 6:25; 17:46; 18:57.

Ibn Muq., 110/14.

iii. to reduce sth to a certain state:

(a) \*wa ja<sup>c</sup>ala kalimata lladhina kafarū s-suflā, And He humbled completely the word [= defeated the cause] of those who disbelieved: 9:40.

(b) 105:2: see 224 (DLL) II.

**c.** ja<sup>c</sup>ala lahū kadhā:

i.  $ja^{c}ala \ lah\bar{u} \ sab\bar{l}lan$ , to point out a way for [= prescribe a course of action concerning] sb:

\*aw yaj<sup>c</sup>ala llahu lahunna sabilan, Or [until] God prescribes an injunction for them: 4:15.

The verse contains the initial prescription regarding fornication. The words aw  $yaj^{C}ala$  llahu lahunna sabilan "indicate that this prescription is provisional, and that a final prescription in this connection will be revealed later. This promise was fulfilled in the form of the punishment for fornication stated in Sūrat an-Nūr [24:2]." Tad., 2:36. Cf. Kash., 1:256.

ii. ja<sup>c</sup>ala lahū sultānan, to furnish sb with dominant power: 17:80; 28:35.

Sultān in 28:35 means dominance and awesomeness. Tad., 4:807.

iii. ja<sup>c</sup>ala lahū lisāna sidqin, to give sb/cause sb to have a good reputation: 26:84.

Kash., 2:414: Lisān as-sidq: ath-thanā' al-hasan.

**d.**  $ja^{c}alah\bar{u}$  tahta qadamay fulānin, to give sb in sb's power [lit: to put sb under sb's feet]: 41:29.

4. + OBJ + OBJ + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

ja<sup>c</sup>ala yadahū maghlūlatan ilā <sup>c</sup>unuqihī: 17:29: see 277 (GHLL) 1.2.

5. + OBJ + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$  + PREP  $[c_a l\bar{a}]$ 

i. ja<sup>c</sup>ala lahū <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin sabīlan:

(a) to allow sb to take action against sb:

\*fa mā ja<sup>c</sup>ala llāhu lakum <sup>c</sup>alayhim sabīlan, God does not allow you to take any action against them: 4:90.

Kash., 1:289. See n. to (b) below.

(b) to allow sb to treat sb the way one likes:

\*wa lan yaj<sup>c</sup>ala llāhu li l-kāfirīna <sup>c</sup>alā l-mu'minīna sabīlan, And God will not let the disbelievers inflict any harm on the believers: 4:141.

> (a) and (b) are close in meaning, but their contexts make for a subtle difference of meaning, as the translation indicates.

ii. ja<sup>c</sup>ala lahū <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin sultānan:

(a) to give sb [full] right to take action against sb: 4:91; 17:33.

(b) to furnish sb with strong evidence against sb:

\*a turiduna an taj<sup>c</sup>alu li llahi <sup>c</sup>alaykum sultanan mubinan, Do you wish to furnish God with clear and strong evidence against yourselves? 4:144.

49. JFW

VI. tajāfā

+ PREP [<sup>C</sup>an]

\*tatajāfā junūbuhum <sup>c</sup>ani I-madāji<sup>c</sup>i, They [lit: their sides] stay away from/shun their beds [= they stay awake at night in order to engage in prayer]: 32:16.

Kash., 3:221. Jafā s-sarju <sup>c</sup>an zahri l-farasi, "(of a saddle) to lie askew on the horse's back" (see Lab., 15/33); jafā/tajāfā janbu n-nā'imi <sup>c</sup>ani l-firāshi, "(of a sleeping person) to lie uneasy in bed [lit: to lie with one's side removed from the bed]." Asas, 96; also Aq., 1:129, and Muf., 94. Acsha, 387/6: idhā nbatahat jāfā <sup>c</sup>ani l-ardi janbuhā, "When she lies at full length, her [thin] waist remains raised from the ground." Khan., 99/[5] uses the expression in a metaphorical sense: ayyuhā l-mawtu law tajāfayta <sup>c</sup>an sakhrin/la alfaytahū nagiyyan cafifa, "O death, if you had avoided taking Sakhr, you would have found him to be a chaste and virtuous man."

# 50. JLB

- IV. ajlaba
  - + PREP [Cala]

\*wa ajlib <sup>c</sup>alayhim bi khaylika wa rajilika, And launch your cavalry and footsoldiers into action against them [= use your strategems to mislead mankind]: 17:64.

Sa<sup>c</sup>d ibn Nāshib, Ham., 1:67: sa aghsilu <sup>c</sup>annī I-cāra bi ssayfi jāliban/<sup>C</sup>alayya qadā'u llāhi mā kāna jālibā, "I shall wash away disgrace from myself by means of my sword, no matter what is brought upon me by the decree of God."

# 51. *JMH*

I. jamaha VB

\*wa hum yajmahūna, Making a dash for it: 9:57.

Jamaha I-farasu, "(of a horse) to get out of the rider's control and take off." Aq., 1:135-36; also Asas, 98; Kash., 2:157. Shamm., 287/1 (quoted at 15 (BDW) I). Also, Zuh., 301/[2].

# 52. IM<sup>C</sup>

- I. jama<sup>c</sup>a
- 1. + OBJ

jama<sup>c</sup>a kaydahū, to muster one's cunning: 20:60.

See also IV.ii below.

2. + PREP [a. bayna; b. ilā; c. lām]

- a. jama<sup>c</sup>a baynahum:
- i. to assemble people, bring people together: 34:26; 42:15.

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#### See n. to ii below.

ii. jama<sup>c</sup>a bayna l-ukhtayni, to have two sisters as one's wives at the same time: 4:23.

Jama<sup>c</sup>a baynahum (as opposed to jama<sup>c</sup>ahum) seems to imply the bringing together of persons or things that are different from one another in some fundamental way. i, above, thus connotes: Nothing can bring together people so divergent in belief and outlook as you (disbelievers) and us (believers); the only time we shall come together is on the Day of Judgment. ii, too, implies "divergence," but in a legal sense.

**b.** jama<sup>c</sup>ahumu llāhu ilā yawmi l-qiyāmati, (of God) to assemble people and take/drive them to [the place of judgment on] the Day of Resurrection: 4:87; 6:12; 45:26; 56:50 [pass pt].

The use of *ilā* suggests a *tadmīn* of some word meaning "to drive/convey" (*Tad.*, 2:129), e.g  $s\bar{a}qa$  (cf. 64 (*HShR*) l.b). At the same time, the preposition signifies continuity: the process of assembling people will continue *up to* the Last Day. Ibid., 6:329.

c.  $jama^{C}\bar{u}$  li l-qawmi, (of a group of people) to muster their strength in order to confront/attack another group of people: 3:173.

Asās, 100. Unayf ibn Hakam an-Nabhānī, Ham., 1:169/1 (with n. 1, ibid.): jama<sup>c</sup>nā lahum min hayyi <sup>c</sup>awfi bni mālikin/ katā'iba yurdī l-muqrifīna nakāluhā, "For them we prepared troops drawn from the tribes of <sup>c</sup>Awf ibn Mālik, troops whose devastating punitive action annihilates those of inferior stock." (See also ibid., 2:637, where, with a slight variation the verse is repeated, and where Marzūqī explains that the singular hayy in the verse represents the dual hayyay.) Also, <sup>c</sup>Atikah bint <sup>c</sup>Abd al-Muttalib, ibid., 2:741/2; al-<sup>c</sup>Ajlān ibn Khulayd, D. al-Hudh., 3:112/[2]; Yazīd ibn Sinān, in Nāb., 180/[1].

IV. ajma<sup>c</sup>a

+ OBJ

i.  $ajma^{C}\bar{u}$  amrahum, (of a group of people) to reach an accord, agree on a plan, make a unanimous resolve: 10:71; 12:102.

Al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Qaş, 441/19: ajma<sup>c</sup>ū amrahum *cishā'an fa lammā/asbahū asbahat lahum dawdā'ū*, "At night they reached a joint decision on the matter; and when the day dawned, it dawned to their uproar." Dhū l-lsba<sup>c</sup>, *Mufadd.*, 323/12: wa antum ma<sup>c</sup>sharun zaydun <sup>c</sup>alā mi'atin/fa ajmi<sup>c</sup>ū amrakum kullan fa kīdūnī, "You are a group exceeding one hundred in number; so make a unanimous resolve, and then execute your strategem against me." Shanfarā, Mufadd., 194/1: alā ummu <sup>c</sup>amrin ajma<sup>c</sup>at fa staqallatī/wa mā wadda<sup>c</sup>at jīrānahā idh tawallatī, "Umm <sup>c</sup>Amr made a firm decision [to leave] and left; and she did not even say goodbye to her neighbors when she departed."

**ii.** ajma<sup>c</sup>ū kaydahum, to reach a unanimous decision on using a strategem: 20:64.

See also 1.1 above.

53. JWR

ΊV. ajāra

+ + OB] + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

ajārahū <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin, to give sb protection/refuge against sb: \*wa huwa yujīru wa lā yujāru <sup>c</sup>alayhi, He gives protection, but no protection can be given against Him: 23:88.

Kash., 3:54.

#### 54. JWS

I. jāsa

+ PREP [khilāl]

\*fa jāsū khilāla d-diyāri, And they penetrated [right] into homes: 17:5.

The verse implies that the defenders became utterly powerless to stop the invaders, who rushed into homes, working havoc with the life, honor, and property of the residents. Tad., 3:725. Also, Asas, 105, and Ag., 1:150.

# 55. JY'

I. jā'a

1. + OBJ

*jā'a l-amra,* to do sth, perform/commit an act:

\*la qad ji'ta shay'an imran, You have committed a heinous act: 18:71.

\*fa qad jā'ū zulman wa zūran, They have committed a wrong and uttered a falsehood: 25:4.

Also: 18:74; 19:27, 89.

Aq., 1:152. Hass., 158/[7]: qataltum waliyya llāhi fi jawfi dārihī/wa ji'tum bi amrin jā'irin ghayri muhtadī, "You have killed a saint of God [= caliph <sup>C</sup>Uthmān] in his very home: you have committed a great wrong, one that cannot be rectified [lit: one that will not take the right course]." See also 2 (TY) 1.2.i.

**2.** + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$  + PREP  $[^{C}al\bar{a}]$ 

 $j\bar{a}'a$  <sup>C</sup>alayhi bi shay'in, to present/produce evidence in support of sth:

\*law lā jā'ū <sup>c</sup>alayhi bi arba<sup>c</sup>ati shuhadā'a, Why did they not produce four witnesses in support of it [allegation]? 24:13.

See also 2 ('TY) 6.

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56. HBB

IV. aḥabba

+ OBJ + PREP [<sup>C</sup>an]

aḥabbahū <sup>C</sup>anhu, to like/love sth to the disregard of sth else: \*innī aḥbabtu ḥubba l-khayri <sup>C</sup>an dhikri rabbī, My love of wealth drew me away from the remembrance of my Lord: 38:32.

Tadmin of a<sup>c</sup>rada.

X. istahabba

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

*istahabba sh-shay'a <sup>c</sup>alā sh-shay'i*, to accord preference to/ choose one thing over another: 9:23; 14:3; 16:107; 41:17.

Tadmin of athara. Muf., 105. Also, Asas, 109; Aq., 1:154.

57. HBS

I. habasa

+ OBJ

\*mā yaḥbisuhū, What's holding it [punishment] up? what's stopping it [from coming]? 11:8.

Kash., 2:209.

#### 58. HRR

II. <u>h</u>arrara + OBJ harrarahū:

i. to free sb:

harrara raqabatan, to free a slave [lit: to free a neck]: 4:92 [thrice]; 5:89; 58:3. [All masdars.]

See also 294 (FKK) I.

ii. to dedicate sb [to sth, etc.] [by releasing him from all other responsibilities]:

\*innī nadhartu laka mā fī baţnī muḥarraran, I vow to You what is in my womb-he will be dedicated to You: 3:35.

That is, he will be dedicated to serving You, and will be released from all other responsibilities—those of earning a livelihood and providing for a family. *Tad.*, 1:678 (see also *Kash.*, 1:185).

59. HRF

# II. harrafa

**1.** + OB

harrafa l-kalimata, to distort/misrepresent a word/statement: \*yuḥarrifūna l-kalima min ba<sup>c</sup>di mawāḍi<sup>c</sup>hī, They distort words/ statements after these have been placed in their proper contexts: 5:41. Also: 2:75.

> Harf is "edge, brink, border"; taḥrīf al-kalām thus means: to put a word, as it were, on a borderline so that it can go either way, that is, have two meanings (see Muf., 114: Wa taḥrīfu l-kalāmi an taj<sup>c</sup>alahū <sup>c</sup>alā ḥarfin mina l-iḥtimāli yumkinu ḥamluhū <sup>c</sup>alā l-wajhayni).

Cf. 351 (LWY) 1.1.b and 2.

## **2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{C}an$ ]

*harrafa l-kalimata <sup>c</sup>an mawdi<sup>c</sup>ihī*, to tear a word/statement out of its context: 4:46; 5:13.

Hā'

# 60. HRM

I. harima

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

harima <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-shay'u, to be unable to do sth:

\*wa ḥarāmun <sup>c</sup>alā qaryatin ahlaknāhā annahum lā yarji<sup>c</sup>ūna, It is impossible for [the people of] a town We have decided to destroy to come back [to the right path]: 21:95.

Aq., 1:184; Kash., 3:20. On the grammatical construction, see Tad., 4:328.

Imr. 116/12: jālat li taṣra<sup>c</sup>anī fa qultu lahā qṣirīlinnī mru'un sar<sup>Cī</sup> <sup>c</sup>alayki ḥarāmū, "She [camel] swung around so that she might throw me. But I said, 'Stop it! I am a man [= an expert rider]! You cannot throw me!'" (I have taken the word imru' in the second hemistich to mean one who is distinguished in respect of murū'ah, for the phrase sar<sup>Cī</sup> <sup>c</sup>alayki ḥarāmun cannot, strictly speaking, qualify imru', though it is possible to interpret the construction in at least two other ways—by positing that a word or phrase qualifying imru' is understood, or that sar<sup>C</sup>uhū was changed to sar<sup>Cī</sup> in order to focus attention to the speaker, examples of such changes being found in classical Arabic poetry and the Qur'ān both.) <sup>C</sup>Ant., 105/[3]: ḥarāmun <sup>C</sup>alayya n-nawmu ya bnata mālikin, "Sleep has been denied to me, O daughter of Mālik." Cf. maḥrūm ash-sharāb, ibid., 206/[5] (also, ibid., 233/[2]).

- II. harrama
- **1.** + OBJ

*harrama zahra d-dābbati,* to declare that an animal shall not be ridden [because it is consecrated to a deity] [lit: to forbid the back of an animal]:

\*wa an<sup>C</sup>āmun hurrimat zuhūruhā, And [they say, there are] cattle that it is forbidden to ride: 6:138.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[^{C}al\bar{a}]$ 

ḥarramahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to deny sb sth/the use of sth/access to sth:

\*fa innahā muḥarramatun <sup>c</sup>alayhim arba<sup>c</sup>īna sanatan, It [Promised Land] shall be denied to them for forty years: 5:26 [pass pt; n.].

\*fa qad harrama llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-jannata, God will surely deny him paradise: 5:72.

\*wa ḥarramnā <sup>c</sup>alayhi I-marāḍi<sup>c</sup>a, And We had denied him [the milk of] nurses: 28:12.

Also: 7:50.

5:26: Kash., 1:332: Muharramatun <sup>C</sup>alayhim: lā yadkhulūnahā wa lā yamlikūnahā.

7:50: Kash., 2:65.

28:12: Kash., 3:159.

In the following verse by Shanfarā, Ham., 2:487/1, harramahū <sup>C</sup>alayhi means "to deny sth to sb," though it may also carry the meaning, "to declare sth to be unlawful for sb":  $I\overline{a}$ taqburūnī inna qabrī muḥarramun/<sup>C</sup>alaykum wa Iākin abshirī umma <sup>C</sup>āmirī, "Do not bury me in a grave, for burying me is denied to you. But do you rejoice, O hyena!" (For another interpretation of abshirī umma <sup>C</sup>āmirin, see Marzūqī's commentary, ibid., 488-89). See also <sup>C</sup>Āriq at-Tā<sup>T</sup>i, Ham., 4:1745/9.

ii. harrama sh-shay'a <sup>c</sup>alā nafsihī, to renounce the use of sth: 3:93.

#### 61. HSB

I. hasiba

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

hasiba sh-shay'a <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to regard sth as being hostile to oneself:

\*yaḥsabūna kulla ṣayḥatin <sup>c</sup>alayhim, Every shout, they think, is directed/aimed at them: 63:4.

The verse speaks of the Madinan Hypocrites—people with a guilty conscience. Zamakhshari (Kash., 4:101) explains the construction as follows: Ay yahsabūna kulla şayhatin wāqi<sup>c</sup>atan <sup>c</sup>alayhim wa dārratan lahum li jubnihim wa hala<sup>c</sup>ihim wa mā fī qulūbihim mina r-ru<sup>c</sup>bi.

#### 62. HSN

IV. aḥsana

+ OBJ

aḥsana mathwāhu, to treat sb with kindness/honor, deal well with sb: 12:23.

Cf. 326 (KRM) IV.

# 63. HShR

1. hashara

+ OB] + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

a. hashara <sup>c</sup>alayhi n-nāsa, to assemble people and present them before sb: 6:111.

Tadmīn of <sup>c</sup>arada. 25:34 (alladhīna yuḥsharūna <sup>c</sup>alā wujūhihim) is not listed because the preposition (<sup>c</sup>alā) in it goes not with yuḥsharūn, but with wujūhihim, forming, together with it, a ḥāl unit.

**b.** hasharahumu Ilāhu ilayhi, (of God) to assemble a group of people and take/drive them toward a certain place: 2:203; 3:12, 158; 5:96; 6:38, 51, 72; 8:24, 36; 23:79; 41:19; 58:9; 67:24. [All passives.]

Tadmin of some word like saqa. See Tad., 6:93; Maj., 1:204; 2:20. Cf. 52 (JM<sup>C</sup>) 1.2.b.

#### 64. HSR

I. hașira

VB

*hașira șadruhū an yaf<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā,* to flinch/recoil/shrink from doing sth: 4:90.

On the several possible ways of explaining 4:90, see Bayd, 1:235; <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:189-90; *Mukh.*, 139-40. Cf. 227 (DYQ) I.1.i.

65. <u>H</u>ŞN

IV. ahsana

1. VB

ahsana r-rajulu, (of a man) to marry:

\**muḥṣinīna*, [You may marry such women, but with the intention of] maintaining the bond of matrimony: 4:24; 5:5.

Ahsana signifies providing protection. The verse is saying that a man should marry a woman with a view to establishing a permanent relationship—by providing her the protection of marriage—and not in order to establish a temporary relationship which aims at no more than sexual gratification. See Tad., 2:50. Muhsinin in the two verses may also be taken to mean "chaste" (Kash., 1:324: A<sup>c</sup>iffa<sup>-</sup>). Cf. 173 (SFH) III.

2. + OBJ

i. to store sth up, put/lay sth by:

\*min mā tuhsinūna, Of that [amount of grain] which you will have stored up: 12:48 [obj und].

ii. uḥṣinati I-mar'atu (of a woman):

(a) to be chaste:

\*wa l-muḥṣanātu mina l-mu'mināti wa l-muḥṣanātu mina lladhīna ūtū l-kitāba, And [you are permitted to marry] chaste women from among the believers and chaste women from among those who were given the Book: 5:5.

Also: 4:24 [pass pt], 24:4 [pass pt; n.].

24:4: For a translation, see 145 (*RMY*) 1.1. See also n. to (c) below.

(b) to be a freewoman [as against a female slave]:

\*wa man lam yastați<sup>c</sup> minkum an yankiḥa l-muḥṣanāti lmu'mināti, And those of you who do not have the means to marry believing freewomen: 4:25.

\*fa <sup>C</sup>alayhinna nişfu mā <sup>C</sup>alā l-muḥṣanāti mina l-<sup>C</sup>adhābi, They [female slaves] shall be subject to half of the punishment that freewomen are subject to: 4:25.

(c) to be married:

\*wa *l-muḥṣanātu mina n-nisā'i*, And those who are already married [are also forbidden to you to marry]: 4:24.

\*muḥṣanātin . . . fa idhā uḥṣinna, [The female slaves should, in getting married, have the intention of] remaining in wedlock . . . And once they are married/have become married women 4:25 [n.].

4:25: Muhsanāt (i.e. the second occurrence—muhsanātin) in this verse may also mean "chaste" (Kash., 1:263: Muhsanāt:  $^{C}afa^{'if}$ ), and the use may therefore be said to belong at (a), above, as well.

iii. aḥṣanati l-mar'atu farjahā, (of a woman) to be/remain chaste, protect her honor: 21:91; 66:12.

Tad., 4:324. The reference in both verses is to Mary mother of Jesus, and Zamakhshari (Kash., 3:19-20 [on 21:91]), explains Mary's ihsan, with reference to 19:20, as: ihsanan kulliyyan mina l-halali wa l-harami.

Cf. Ibn Mug., 312/4: hamā abdā<sup>c</sup>ahā sh-shummu l-ghayārā, "Jealously concerned chiefs have protected the honor of these women [against the enemy]." See also Tad., 4:324.

See also 67 (HFZ) I.ii.

66. HDR

IV. ahdara

+ OBI + OBI

\*wa uhdirati I-anfusu sh-shuhha, Souls are given/susceptible to greed: 4:128.

## 67. HFZ

I. hafiza + OBI

i. hafiza yamīnahū, to fulfill one's oath: 5:89.

ii. hafiza farjahū, to be/remain7chaste: 23:5 [act pt]; 24:30, 31; 33:35 [twice, both act pt; obj in second occurrence und]; 70:29 [act pt].

See also 65 (HSN) IV.2.iii.

iii. hafiza hududa llahi, to abide by the commandments of God: 9:112 [act pt].

iv. hafiza l-ghayba:

(a) to guard a secret: 4:34 [act pt].

Following Işlāhī (Tad., 2:64). Cf. Kash., 1:266.

Al-Muqanna<sup>c</sup> al-Kindī, Ham., 3:1179/7: wa in dayya<sup>c</sup>ū ghaybi hafiztu ghuyubahum, "If they divulge my secrets, then I [do not do so, but] guard theirs."

(b) to have knowledge of the unseen: 12:81.

# 68. HFW

- I. *ḥ a f i y a* + PREP [a. <sup>C</sup>an; b. bā]
- hafiya <sup>c</sup>anhu, to have information about sth, be privy to sth:
   \*ka annaka hafiyyun <sup>c</sup>anhā, As if you know all about it: 7:187.

Hafiya <sup>c</sup>anhu basically means "to be inquisitive about sth." A<sup>c</sup>shā, 171/7: fa in tas'alī <sup>c</sup>annī fa yā rubba sā'ilin/ḥafiyyin <sup>c</sup>ani I-a<sup>c</sup>shā bihī ḥaythu aṣ<sup>c</sup>adā, "If, O woman, you are inquiring about me, then there is many a person who is trying to find out about A<sup>c</sup>shā, wishing to know about his circumstances, wherever he goes." (Also, Unayf ibn Hakam an-Nabhānī, Ham., 1:172/7 [with n. 1, ibid., 1:169]). From this, the expression comes to mean "to know sth," for inquiry about something results in knowledge about it. See Kash., 2:107 (Ka'annaka ḥafiyyun <sup>c</sup>anhā: ka'annaka <sup>c</sup>ālimun bihā; wa haqīqatuhū: ka'annaka balīghun fī s-su'āli <sup>c</sup>anhā li anna man bālagha fī I-mas'alati <sup>c</sup>ani sh-shay'i wa t-tanqīri <sup>c</sup>anhu istaḥkama <sup>c</sup>ilmuhū fīhi wa raṣuna fīhi.

**b.** *hafiya bihī*, to take solicitous care of sb:

*\*innahū kāna bī ḥafiyyā,* He is exceedingly gracious to me: 19:47.

- IV. ahfā
  - + OB]

ahfahu, to importune sb:

\*in yas'alkumūhā fa yuhfikum tabkhalū, If he [Prophet] were to demand it [= that you spend wealth in the way of God] and were to be insistent with you, you would act stingily: 47:37.

The expression comes from *ahfaytu d-dābbata*, "I smoothed out the hoofs of the animal through constantly walking/running it." *Muf.*, 125. See also *Kash.*, 3:460.

# 69. HQQ

- 1. ḥaqqa
- 1. VB

haqqa l-amru, (of sth) to be fulfilled, rightly come to pass:

\*wa lākin haqqa l-qawlu minnī, But my decree [concerning punishment] was fulfilled: 32:13.

\*fa haqqa <sup>C</sup>iqābi, And so My punishment was meted out, fairly and justly: 38:14.

Also: 50:14.

2. + OBJ

\*wa huqqat, And it is only appropriate that it [earth] should [do so]/and so it must [do]: 84:2 [prep phr und], 5 [prep phr und].

The complete underlying construction is: wa huqqa laha an taf<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā. Aq., 1:214. CAnt., 68/[3]: fa in yabra' fa lam anfith <sup>c</sup>alayhi/wa in yufqad fa huqqa lahū l-<sup>c</sup>uqūdu, "If he should recover [from the injury I inflicted on him with my arrow], then it is not because I blew on him [= put a spell on him, wishing him to become well]; and if he dies, then [considering the injury he sustained) it is only right that he should." (Making "arrow" the antecedent of the pronoun in Calayhi would yield a slightly different meaning: "... then it is not because I charmed my arrow by blowing on it." Cf. Mufadd., 122/8, where, with a small variation, the verse is attributed to another poet [quoted at 385 (NFTh) 1]. Khan., 47/ [5]: tabkī khunāsun li sakhrin wa huqqa lahā/idh rābahā ddahru inna d-dahra darrārū, "Khansā' cries on account of Sakhr, and it is only right that she should, for she has seen distress at the hands of time; time inflicts great hurt indeed." (Also, ibid., 111/[1].) Bishr ibn Abī Khāzim, uhādhiru an tabīna banū <sup>c</sup>uqaylin/bi jāratinā fa qad ḥuqqa l-ḥidhārū, "I was afraid-and there was reason for me to be afraid-that the Banū <sup>c</sup>Uqayl would depart, taking our neighbor [= poet's beloved] with them." Also, Ham., 3:1109/3.

**3.** + PREP  $[al\bar{a}]$ 

haqqa <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-amru, (of sth):

i. to be incumbent upon sb to do:

\*haqqan <sup>c</sup>alā l-muttaqīn, [This is] an obligation on the godfearing: 2:180, 241.

\*wa kāna haqqan <sup>c</sup>alaynā naṣru l-mu'minīna, And We were/are obliged to come to the believers' aid: 30:47.

Also: 2:236; 9:111; 10:103; 16:38. [All masdars].

Tadmīn of wajaba (e.g. Kash., 2:329 [on 16:38]: . . . anna lwafā'a bi hādhā l-maw<sup>C</sup>idi haqqun wājibun <sup>C</sup>alayhi . . . ); and ibid., 2:205 (on 10:103): Haqqan <sup>C</sup>alayhi = haqqa dhālika <sup>C</sup>alayhi haqqan. ii. (of misguidance, etc.) to be deservedly imposed on sb:

\*wa fariqan haqqa <sup>c</sup>alayhimu d-dalalatu, And there was another group whose deserved fate it became to be misguided: 7:30.

\*fa haqqa <sup>c</sup>alayhā l-qawlu, And so the decree [= principle of punishment for rebellious nations] was enforced in regard to it [town]: 17:16.

\*wa kathīrun ḥaqqa <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-<sup>c</sup>adhābu, And there are many who are destined to receive punishment: 22:18.

*Also:* 10:33, 96; 16:36; 28:63; 36:7, 70; 37:31; 39:19, 71; 40:6; 41:25; 46:18.

Taḍmīn of wajaba or thabata (e.g. Kash., 3:176 [on 28:63]: Wa ma<sup>c</sup>nā ḥaqqa <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-qawlu: wajaba <sup>c</sup>alayhi muqtaḍāhu wa thabata; also, ibid. 2:203, 328).

For the construction haqqan <sup>c</sup>alayhi in some of these verses, see n. to i above.

X. istahaqqa

1. + OBJ

*istaḥaqqa ithman,* to be guilty of wrongdoing [lit: to deserve sin, i.e. commit a wrong and deserve blame on account of it]:

\*fa in <sup>c</sup>uthira <sup>c</sup>ala annahuma stahaqqa ithman, If it is discovered that the two have been guilty of wrongdoing: 5:107.

Istahaqqa r-rajulu, "to deserve punishment for committing a wrong." Aq., 1:215.

**2.** + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

istahaqqa <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to wrong sb, be unfair/unjust to sb: 5:107.

Tadmin of i<sup>c</sup>tada.

70. HLL

1. halla

1. VB

halla, to leave the state of ihram: 5:2.

**2.** + OBJ

\*wa hlul <sup>c</sup>uqdatan min lisānī, And give me the power of fluent speech [lit: loosen/remove the tie in my tongue]: 20:27.

# II. ḥallala

+ OBJ

\*qad farada llāhu lakum tahillata aymānikum, God has ordained that you shall break/expiate your [unlawful] oaths: 66:2.

See Tad., 7:459-60. CAbd Qays ibn Khufaf, Mufadd., 750/ 3: wa idhā halafta mumāriyan fa tahallalī, "And when you swear an oath in a dispute [= in vain], break it." Whereas, in translating the word tahillah in the Qur'ānic verse, one may use the word "expiation" (especially because of Q. 5:66, in the light of which 66:2 is to be interpreted), the word tahallal in the poetical verse quoted signifies simply the "breaking" of an oath.

IV. aḥalla

+ OBJ

ahalla sh-shay'a, to desecrate sth:

\*lā tuḥillū sha<sup>c</sup>ā'ira llāhi wa lā sh-shahra l-ḥarāma . . . , Do not desecrate the Symbols of God or the sacred months. . . : 5:2.

Kash., 1:321: Wa iḥlālu hādhihī l-ashyā'i an yutahāwana bi ḥurmati sh-sha<sup>c</sup>ā'iri wa an yuḥāla baynahā wa bayna lmutanassikīna bihā....

Rajul muhill is an "unprotected person," one who, for one of several reasons, may be attacked, his life and property thus being halāl or "licit." The opposite of muhill in this sense is muhrim. Asās, 140. Zuh., 11/[1]: wa kam bi lqanānin min muhillin wa muhrimī, "And there is, at Qanān, many a muhill and many a muhrim."

## 71. HML

1. hamala

1. VB

hamalati l-mar'atu, (of a woman) to be pregnant: 7:189 [n.]; 13:8 [n.]; 35:11; 41:47.

7:189: The verse may also be categorized as + OBJ if hamlan, here taken as a  $maf^{C}\bar{u}l$  muţlaq, is taken as an object (haml = mahm\bar{u}l). See Bayd, 1:380; Kash., 2:108-9.

13:8: The  $m\bar{a}$  is here taken as a relative pronoun, though it could also be masdariyyah, in which case the object of the verb-a pronoun-would be understood. See Kash., 2:281.

2. + OBJ hamalahū:

i. to provide means of transport to sb:

\*idhā mā atawka li taḥmilahum, When they come to you so that you should provide them with means of conveyance: 9:92.

\*wa hamalnāhum fī l-barri wa l-bahri, And we furnished them with means of transport on land and sea: 17:70.

Hudbah ibn Khashram, quoted in Ham., 2:579: wa lā atamannā sh-sharra wa sh-sharru tārikī/wa lākin matā uḥmal <sup>c</sup>alā sh-sharri arkabī, "I do not desire evil; evil itself avoids me. But when I am made to ride evil, I ride." (Sharr in this verse may mean "war," one of the meanings of the word; also, matā uḥmal <sup>c</sup>alā sh-sharri suggests wordplay, for ḥamalahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi also means "to incite sb to do sth.") Cf. al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Qaş, 475/74 (with Tibrīzī's commentary and editor's note).

ii. (of a woman) to carry a child in her womb: 19:22; 31:14; 46:15 [twice, once mas].

On 7:189, which may also be included here, see n. to 1 above.

iii. (of sth) to include sth as its part:

*\*illā mā ḥamalat zuhūruhumā awi l-ḥawāyā,* Except that which may cling to their [= animals'] backs or entrails: 6:146 [obj und].

A reference to certain regulations in the Old Testament. For details, see *Tad.*, 2:555, 567.

iv. to perform/commit an act:

\*fa qad khāba man ḥamala ẓulman, And doomed is he who commits a wrong: 20:111.

Zulm in this verse stands for the sin of associating partners with God. Tad., 4:232. The word hamala implies carrying the burden of the wrong committed.

v. to take on a responsibility:

\*fa abayna an yaḥmilnahā wa ashfaqna minhā wa ḥamalahā linsānu, But they [heavens and earth] refused to assume the responsibility of the Trust—they were afraid to—but man assumed it: 33:72. Waddāh ibn Ismā<sup>c</sup>īl, Ham., 2:647/1 (with n. 3, ibid.): *l*ā yahmilu *l-c*abdu finā fawqa tāqatihī/ wa nahnu nahmilu mā lā yahmilu *l-qila<sup>c</sup>ū*, "A slave of ours does not bear [= is not made to bear] a responsibility that is beyond his power to bear; we ourselves, however, bear what huge mountains cannot." Khan., 21/[6]: *al-hāmilu th-thaqala l-muhimm*, "An undertaker of great/momentous tasks." Zuh., 233/[2]: wa hammālu athqālin wa ma'wā *l-mutarradī*, "A great carrier of burdens [imposed upon him by his fellow tribesmen] and a refuge of those who are driven away [= the rejects]." Also A<sup>c</sup>shā, 407/4; <sup>c</sup>Ant., 56/[4].

vi. to acquit oneself of a responsibility:

*\*thumma lam yahmilūhā,* And then they did not properly acquit themselves of [the responsibility associated with] it [Torah]: 62:5.

vii. to bear the consequences of sth:

(a) hamala wizrahū/thiqlahū, to carry one's burden [= the burden of one's wrongdoing]:

\*wa hum yahmilūna awzārahum <sup>c</sup>alā zuhūrihim, They will be carrying on their backs the burden of their [evil] actions: 6:31 [n.].

\*wa la yaḥmilunna athqālahum wa athqālan ma<sup>c</sup>a athqālihim, And they shall carry their burdens [= the burden of their sins], and other burdens in addition to their own: 29:13.

\*lā yuḥmalu minhu shay'un, No part of the responsibility shall be borne [by others]: 35:18.

Also: 16:25; 20:100.

6:31: Kash., 2:10. See also 407 (WZR) I. See also n. to (b) below.

(b) hamala khati'atahu, to carry [the burden of one's] sin:

\*wa I-naḥmil khaṭāyākum wa mā hum bi ḥāmilīna min khaṭāyāhum, 'And let us be responsible for your sins.' But they are not going to be responsible for their sins: 29:12.

> On vii in general: In several of these verses the literal and the metphorical meanings combine. A verse like 6:31 (a) suggests that, on the Last Day, the sinners will actually be carrying their sins on their backs, the sins having assumed a corporeal form.

Ibn at-Tathriyyah, Ham. 3:1342, n. 3, vs. 2.

3. + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

to take aim at sth:

\**in tahmil <sup>c</sup>alayhi yalhath wa in tatruk'hu yalhath,* It [dog] pants if you take aim at it, and it pants if you leave it alone: 7:176.

In taḥmil <sup>c</sup>alayhi: in taḥmili I-<sup>c</sup>aṣā/I-ḥājara <sup>c</sup>alayhi, "If you lift a club/rock at it." Tad., 2:773.

4. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $Cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $f\bar{i}$ ]

a. hamalahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to provide means of conveyance to sb [lit: to seat sb on sth]: \*lā ajidu mā aḥmilukum <sup>C</sup>alayhi, 1 do not have anything [= any

riding beasts] to provide to you [lit: to seat you on]: 9:92.

\*wa <sup>c</sup>alayhā wa <sup>c</sup>alā l-fulki tuḥmalūna, And you are carried on them [animals] and on ships: 23:22 [n.]; 40:80 [n.].

\*wa hamalnāhu <sup>c</sup>alā dhāti alwāhin wa dusurin, And We carried him in a thing made of boards and nails [= in a ship] 54:13.

23:22 and 40:80: Note the use of  $cal\bar{a}$ , which is used for seating somebody on a flat surface, like the back of a horse, instead of  $f\bar{i}$ , which is used for seating somebody in an eclosed space, as in a ship (b, below). The two verses are not really problematice because  $cal\bar{a}$  has been used in them in accordance with the principle of mushākalah. Since, in each case, the preceding verse speaks of animals that can be used as riding beasts, therefore  $cal\bar{a}$ , used with animals, is used with ships as well, in order to keep the momentum of the passage: to seat sb on the back of an animal and on (= in) a ship. Alternatively, of course, the use of  $cal\bar{a}$  in the verses may signify putting someone on the deck of a ship. Imr., 50/37, 173/23.

ii. to charge sb with sth [e.g. responsibility] [lit: to put a burden on sb:

\*wa lā taḥmil <sup>c</sup>alaynā iṣran ka mā ḥamaltahū <sup>c</sup>alā lladhīna min qablinā, And do not put upon us the burden you put upon those before us [= do not charge us with the responsibility you charged the earlier peoples with]: 2:286.

**b.** *hamalahū fī l-fulki/l-jāriyati,* to put sb in a ship/boat: 36:41; 69:11.

See n. to a.i above.

11. *ḥ a m m a l a* + OB] + OB]

i. hammalahū sh-shay'a, to entrust sb with sth:

\*wa lākinnā hummilnā awzaran min zīnati l-qawmi, But we were given charge of [lit: charge of loads of] the people's jewelry: 20:87.

Tad., 4:215-16.

ii. hammalahū l-amra, charge sb with a responsibility:

\*wa lā tuḥammilnā mā lā ṭāqaṭa lanā bihī, And do not charge us with responsibility we cannot bear: 2:286.

\*fa in tawallaw fa innamā <sup>c</sup>alayhi mā ḥummila wa <sup>c</sup>alaykum mā ḥummiltum, If you tum away, then he [Prophet] is responsible for what he has been charged with and you are responsible for what you have been charged with: 24:54 [second obj in each und; n].

Also: 62:5.

24:54: The underlying construction is hammalahū shshay'a. Thus (following Baydāwī, 2:132) mā hummila = mā hummila mina t-tablīghi, and mā hummiltum = mā hummiltum mina l-imtithāli.

<sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Kulthūm, Qas., 298/31: wa nahmilu <sup>C</sup>anhumū mā hammalūnā, "And on their behalf/on their account we bear whatever they make us to." Ibrāhīm ibn Kunayf an-Nabhānī, Ham., 1:260/4: wa lākin raḥalnāhā nufūsan karīmatan/ tuḥammalu mā lā yustaṭā<sup>C</sup>u fa taḥmilū, "Rather, we have trained [for the purpose of facing calamities] noble souls that are charged with unbearably difficult tasks, which tasks, however, they then [develop the ability to] carry out." Also, ibid., 2:921/5; A<sup>C</sup>shā, 275/19; Bashāmah ibn <sup>C</sup>Amr, Mufaḍd., 79/1-2; Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, ibid., 395/43; Mu<sup>C</sup>āwiyah ibn Mālik, ibid., 696/7; Ṭufayl ibn <sup>C</sup>Awf al-Ghanawī, Krenk., 58/4 [no. 17].

VIII. i htamala

+ OBJ

ihtamalahū, to be responsible for sth:

\*fa qadi htamala buhtānan wa ithman mubīnan, He is guilty of [lit: carries] slander and a great sin: 4:112.

Also: 33:58.

# 72. HNK

VIII. i htanaka

+ OBJ

\*la aḥtanikanna dhurriyyatahū, 1 will swallow up/devour [= lead away from the right path] his progeny: 17:62.

Ihtanaka I-jarādu I-arda, "The locust devoured [the crops, etc., of] the land." Aq., 1:240; Kash., 2:366; also, Asās, 144. Ihtanaka t-ta<sup>c</sup>āma, "to eat up the food"; ihtanaka mālī, "He appropriated/usurped all my wealth." Ibid. Also, Maj., 1:384.

# 73. HWDh

X. istahwadha + PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā] istaḥwadha <sup>C</sup>alayhi:

i. to take sb under one's wing/protection: 4:141.

Istaḥwadha <sup>C</sup>alayhi is used of a male animal protecting his female from being approached by another male. Tad., 2:182; 7:272 (also, Kash., 4:77). Istaḥwadha I-Cayru <sup>C</sup>alā I-atāni, "(of an ass) to cover the flanks of a she-ass." Muf., 134; also, Kash., 4:77. Cf. damma <sup>C</sup>alayhi janāḥahū, as in Ham., 3:1524/ 5; also, Mufadd., 214/18.

ii. to have sb in one's power: 58:19.

Tad., 7:272-73: Istahwadha <sup>c</sup>alayhim: tasallata <sup>c</sup>alayhim.

- 74. HWT
  - IV. a hāta
  - 1. + PREP [bā'] ahāta bihī:

 to encircle/surround sb/sth, cutting off his/its means of escape:
 \*wa llahu muhitun bi l-kafirina, And God has the disbelievers surrounded/hemmed in: 2:19.

Also: 9:49 [act pt]; 18:29; 29:54 [act pt].

ii. to have [full] knowledge of sth:

\*wa lā yuḥiṭūna bi shay'in min <sup>c</sup>ilmihī illā bi mā shā'a, And they do not possess even a little of the knowledge that He possesses except what He may wish/allow: 2:255.

\*aḥaṭtu bi mā lam tuḥiṭ bihī, I know sth that you don't: 27:22. Also: 10:39.

iii. to guard/protect sth:

\*wa aḥāṭa bi mā ladayhim, And He keeps watches over that [= divine message] which is with them [prophets]: 72:28.

iv. to encompass sth, have sth under control/within one's power:

(a) \*inna llāha bi mā ya<sup>c</sup>malūna muhīţun, God encompasses what they are doing: 3:120.

Also: 4:108, 126; 8:47; 11:92; 17:60; 41:54. [All active participles except 17:60.]

The use in (a) implies that God is aware of what people are doing, that He has the situation under control, and that He has the power to take people to task for their actions.

(b) \*wa ukhrā lam taqdirū <sup>c</sup>alayhā qad ahāta llāhu bihā, [And there is another [good] thing, which you have not [yet] been able to have/ acquire, though God has it encompassed: 48:21.

v. ahāta bihī sh-shay'u, (of sth) to dominate sb completely:

\*wa ahāțat bihī khatī'atuhū, And [he] who becomes steeped in sin: 2:81.

2. + OBJ + PREP [bā'] uhīța bihī:

i. to be surrounded:

*\*illā an yuḥāta bikum,* Except if you are surrounded [= caught in a difficult situation]: 12:66.

ii. to be overtaken by disaster:

\*wa zannū annahum uhīta bihim, And they think that it is all over with them: 10:22.

\*wa uhita bi thamarihi, And a disaster overtakes his produce: 18:42.

10:22: Maj., 1:277; Kash. 2:186. 18:42: Kash., 2:391.

# 3. + PREP $[b\bar{a}]$ + TAMYIZ

aḥāṭa bihī <sup>c</sup>ilman/khubran, to have complete knowledge of/ information about sth: 18:68, 91; 20:110; 27:84; 65:12.

#### 75. HWL

# l. hāla

1. + PREP [bayna]

\*wa <sup>C</sup>lamū anna llāha yahūlu bayna l-mar'i wa qalbihī, And remember that God interposes Himself/comes between a man and his heart: 8:24.

The verse means that, after a man becomes steeped in sin, the law of God comes into play and the man loses all self-control, his baser self getting the better of him. See Tad., 2:48-49. Also, Kash., 2:121. In 11:4 (not listed), hala baynahuma is used in a literal sense in 11:43.

Nāb., 256/3: <sup>c</sup>adatnā <sup>c</sup>an ziyāratihā *l-<sup>c</sup>awādī/wa hālat* baynanā harbun zabūnū, "Other engagements kept us from visiting her, and a fierce war interposed itself between us."

# **2.** + OBJ + PREP [bayna]

\*wa  $h\bar{l}$  baynahum wa bayna m $\bar{a}$  yashtah $\bar{u}$ na, And a barrier shall be raised between them and what they might desire [= they shall be prevented from getting their wishes]: 34:54.

76. HYY

IV. a hyā

ahyāhu, to revive sth, recall/restore sth to life:

i. aḥyā llāhu l-arḍa, (of God) to cause [arid/barren] land to produce vegetation: 2:164; 16:65; 25:49; 29:63; 30:19, 24, 50; 35:9; 36:33; 41:39; 45:5; 50:11; 57:17.

ii. aḥyā l-qaryata, to bring a town [that has been destroyed] back to life: 2:259.

iii. aḥyā l-Cizāma, to revive bones [= revive a dead person]: 36:78.
 Also: 36:79.

<sup>+</sup> OBJ

77. KhBTh

1. khabutha

VB

khabutha l-baladu, (of land) to be bad [= barren/infertile]: 7:58.

Khabath, "dross." Aq., 1:253; Muf., 141.

78. KhBT

V. takhabbata

+ OBJ + PREP [min]

takhabbațahū sh-shayțānu mina l-massi, to be touched by the devil and, as a result, go berserk: 2:275.

Khabata sh-shajarata means "to beat down leaves from a tree with a club" (Aq., 1:255; see Zuh., 53/[2]); khabata/ takhabbata I-ba<sup>C</sup>iru bi yadihī I-arda is said of a camel that goes about stamping the ground with its forelegs (Aq., 1:255). Khabata thus comes to mean "to strike out at random." Khabata 1-layla is "to walk at night without knowing where one is headed," and khabata khabta <sup>C</sup>ashwā'a is "to do sth in a clueless manner," that is, like a she-camel that cannot see well in the dark and is wandering around at night. Ibid. Zuhayr (29/[2]) says: ra'aytu I-manāyā khabta <sup>C</sup>ashwā'a man tusib/tumit'hu wa man yukhti' yu<sup>C</sup>ammar fa yahramī, "I have seen death [lit: deaths] striking out at random: the one it lays its hands on it puts to death, and the one it misses lives on to become a decrepit old man." One who has been "touched" by the devil is, therefore, like one who stomps about like a blind she-camel. (For the expressions cited above, see Ag., 1:255; Kash., 1:164-65; Tad., 1:586.)

# 79. KhTM

- I. khatama
  - + PREP  $[^{C}al\bar{a}]$

khatama <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to seal sth off:

\*khatama Ilāhu <sup>c</sup>alā qulūbihim wa <sup>c</sup>alā sam<sup>c</sup>ihim, God has sealed off their hearts and their ears [so that they cannot receive guidance]: 2:7.

\*al-yawma nakhtimu <sup>c</sup>alā afwāhihim, Today We shall seal up their mouths [so that they shall not be able to speak]: 36:65.

Also: 6:46; 42:24 [n.]; 45:23.

In all these verses, 36:65 excepted, khatama <sup>c</sup>alayhi makes reference to God's sunnah ("law") of rendering those persisting in disbelief incapable of receiving guidance. See Muf., 143, but especially Tad., 1:66-71. The expression, as Zamakhshari remarks (Kash., 1:26), contains elements of metaphor (*isti<sup>c</sup>ārah*) and similitude (*tamthīl*) both.

42:24: See Kash., 3:403.

See also 48 (J<sup>C</sup>L) 1.3.a.i, 192 (ShDD) 1.2.ii, and 228 (TB<sup>C</sup>) 1.

# 80. KhRR

I. kharra '

+ PREP [a. cala; b. lam]

a. kharra <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

**i.** \*fa kharra <sup>C</sup>alayhimu s-saqfu min fawqihim, And the roof caved in on them from above [= they were overtaken by calamity]: 16:26.

The immediately preceding phrase in the verse is, fa atā  $II\bar{a}hu$  bunyānahum mina I-qawā<sup>C</sup>idi, an idiom (see 2 (TY), 1.2.iii). Fa kharra . . . continues the image in that idiom and builds upon it, thus bringing into existence an extended metaphor, or, one might say, a compound idiom.

ii. to apply/devote oneself to sth [lit: to bend/lean over sth]:

\*lam yakhirrū <sup>c</sup>alayhā summan wa <sup>c</sup>umyānan, They do not fall upon [= attack/criticize] them [Qur'ānic verses] with deaf ears and blind eyes: 25:73.

As Zamakhshari (Kash., 3:105) says, the verse does not negate the act of khurur (= ikbab) but rather affirms it. For it means to say that these people do apply themselves to the verses of God, but not in the manner of the disbelievers whose khurur is of the nature of pouncing upon the verses rather than one of eagerly poring over them. In other words, these people, instead of attacking or criticizing the verses, take them seriously and benefit from them. Also, Tad., 4:622.

**b.** kharra li dh-dhaqani, to fall down on one's face [lit: chin] in humility: 17:107.

Also: 17:109.

Kharra li dh-dhaqani implies extreme humility, for the chin represents pride—it is something to be held high—and to fall down on one's chin is to abase oneself, which in the case of the two verses means: to humble oneself before God. Describing a flood scene, Imru' al-Qays (24:70) speaks of the impact of the heavy rain on huge trees (24/70): fa adhā yasuhhu I-mā'a Can kulli fiqatin/yakubbu Calā I-adhqāni dawha İkanahbulī, "After each intermission, the clouds began to pour down water, which tossed the great kanahbul-trees down on their chins" (cf. ACshā, 87/56, and [which is slightly variant] ibid., 135/56; Suh., 48/30). Cf. kharra li anfihī, as in Damrah ibn Damrah an-Nahshalī, Mufaḍḍ, 635/9.

## 81. KhRS

I. kharaşa

VB

kharaşa, to make wild guesses/statements: 6:116, 148; 10:66; 43:20; 51:10 [act pt].

An abbreviated form of *kharasa fi l-hadithi*, which in turn comes from *kharasa n-nakhlata*, "to guess/esimate the amount of fruit on a date-palm." Aq., 1:267. Also, Muf., 146.

# Khā'

## 82. KhRQ

I. kharaga

+ OBJ + PREP [lam]

kharaqa lahū sh-shay'a, to attribute sth to sb falsely:

\*wa kharaqū lahū banīna wa banātin, And they falsely devised for Him sons and daughters: 6:100.

> Kharaqa (lit: "to tear/rend") here means "to fabricate." Something that is torn from its place-or context-becomes a misrepresentation, a falsehood.

## 83. KhS'

I. khasa'a VB

khasa'a l-basaru, (of eyes) to become weary/fatigued [lit: to be driven off/away]: 67:4 [act pt].

Asās, 162.

#### 84. KhSR

- IV. akhsara
- 1. VB

akhsara, to give short measure/weight: 26:181 [act pt]; 83:3.

Abbreviated form of 2, below.

#### 2. + OBJ

akhsara l-kayla/l-mīzāna, to give short measure/weight: 55:9.

See also 388 (NQS) 1.1.i, and 412 (WFY) IV.1.i, ii and 2.

Abbreviated form of 2, below.

2. + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

khasafa Ilāhu bihī l-arda, (of God) to cause sb to be buried in/ sink into the ground: 16:45; 17:68; 28:81; 29:40; 34:9; 67:16.

> Khasafa I-ardu, "(of the ground/earth) to sink together with what is on it"; Asās, 162; also, Aq., 1:273. Khasafa s-saqfu, "(of a roof) to cave in." Ibid. Bi'r makhsūfah is a well whose water-supply is depleted. Muf., 148. Cf. 187 (SWY) II.2.ii.

86. KhSh<sup>C</sup>

1. khasha<sup>C</sup>a

1. VB

i. khasha<sup>c</sup>a başaruhū, to lower one's eyes/gaze in humility/shame/ dejection: 54:7 [act pt; n].

Also: 68:43; 70:44; 79:9. [All active participles.]

At-Tirimmāh ibn al-Hakīm, D. al-Khaw., 84/10: khāshi<sup>c</sup>a ttarfi laysa yanfa<sup>c</sup>uhū tham-/ma amāniyyuhū wa lā ladaduh, "His eyes lowered, his wishes/hopes and his stubbornness being of no avail to him there." 54:7: See Kash., 4:44.

ii. khasha<sup>c</sup>a wajhuhū, to be downcast: 88:2/ [act pt].

On 1 in general: These meanings arise from such expressions as:  $sin\bar{a}m \ kh\bar{a}shi^{C}$ , "(of a camel's hump) to be low" (Asās, 163);  $khasha^{C}ati \ sh-shamsu$ , "(of the sun) to be about to set";  $jid\bar{a}r \ kh\bar{a}shi^{C}$ , "a wall that has fallen and become level with the ground" (Aq., 1:275-276). The word  $khasha^{C}a$  is used in a literal sense ("to droop, incline") in 42:45 ( $kh\bar{a}shi^{C}ina \ mina \ dh-dhulli$ ). For the difference between  $khasha^{C}a$  and  $khada^{C}a$  (87 ( $KhD^{C}$ ) I), see Muf., 148.

iii. khasha<sup>c</sup>ati l-ardu, (of land) to be dry/arid: 41:39 [act pt].

**2.** + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

\*wa khasha<sup>c</sup>ati l-așwātu li r-raḥmāni, And voices shall become dim before the Compassionate One: 20:108.

Also: 57:16.

# 87. KhD<sup>c</sup>

I. khada<sup>c</sup>a

+ PREP [a. bā'; b. lām]

a. khaḍa<sup>c</sup>a bi l-qawli, to speak in a low voice:

\*fa lā takhḍa<sup>c</sup>na bi l-qawli, So do not speak in tones too soft: 33:32.

The Prophet's wives are being instructed not to speak with men in a tone that would encourage the latter to entertain wrong hopes. See Kash., 3:235.

**b.** khaḍa<sup>c</sup>a lahū <sup>c</sup>unuquhū, to bow one's head before sb as a sign of submission [lit: (of one's neck) to bow before sb]: 26:4.

*lkhtada<sup>c</sup>a s-saqru li l-inqidādi,* "(of a hawk) to lower its head in order to swoop down on its prey"; *khada<sup>c</sup>ati shshamsu/n-nujūmu,* "(of the setting sun/stars) to sink in the horizon." Asās, 166. Zalīm akhda<sup>c</sup>, "ostrich with a drooping neck." Ibid.; Muf., 150; A<sup>c</sup>shā, 281/58. For the difference between khada<sup>c</sup>a and khasha<sup>c</sup>a (86 (KhSh<sup>c</sup>) l), see Muf., 148.

# 88. KhŢF

- I. khațifa
- 1. VB

khațifa, to snatch [sth] away:

\*illa man khatifa l-khatfata, But he who steals away [a piece of information]: 37:10.

Khatfah in 37:10 is a masdar. See CUkb., 2:205. Hādhā sayfun yakhtafu r-ra'sa, "This is a sword that cuts off heads [easily]." Asās, 168. Khatafa/khatifa l-baCiru, "(of a camel) to move swiftly." Aq., 1:286. The word khātif is used of a wolf because a wolf "snatches" its prey, and also of an arrow that touches the earth and then creeps toward its target, as if, while touching the ground, it "picks up" some earth. Ibid.

2. + OBJ

khațifa l-barqu bașarahū, (of lightning) to dazzle sb's eyes, have a blinding effect on sb: 2:20.

Khā'

See also 17 (BRQ) I.

V. takhattafa

+ OBJ

takhattafahū, seize sb/sth and carry him/it away in a swift move, whisk sb/sth away:

\*takhāfūna an yatakhattafakumu n-nāsu, You had this fear that people would pounce upon you/make away with you: 8:26.

Also: 28:57 [pass]; 29:67 [pass].

# 89. KhFD

I. khafada

+ OB] + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

khafaḍa lahū janāḥahū, to treat sb kindly [lit: to lower one's wing]:

\*wa khfid janāhaka li l-mu'minīna, And be kind and gracious to the believers: 15:88.

\*wa khfiḍ lahumā janāḥa dh-dhulli mina r-raḥmati, And treat them with gentleness born of [true] compassion: 17:24.

Also: 26:215.

Khafq al-janāh is said of a flying bird that "lowers its wing" in order to descend. A poet (in Kash., 3:129) contrasts khafq al-janāh with raf<sup>c</sup> al-janāh ("to be haughty/arrogant" [lit: "to raise one's wing"]): wa anta sh-shahīru bi khafqi l-janāhi/fa lā taku fī raf<sup>c</sup>ihī ajdalā, "You are the one who is known for bringing down his wing, so do not become a falcon in raising them."

## 90. KhFF

I. khaffa

VB

\*wa man khaffat mawāzīnuhū, And he whose scales are light [= whose bad deeds outweigh his good deeds]: 7:9; 23:103.

Also: 101:8.

Cf. 43 (ThQL) 1.1.ii.

X. istakhaffa
 + OBJ
 istakhaffahū, to take sb lightly, think little of sb: 30:60; 43:54.

# 91. KhFY

I. khafiya

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

*khafiya* <sup>C</sup>*alayhi*, (of sb/sth) to be unknown to sb, remain unnoticed by sb: 3:5; 14:38; 40:16; 41:40.

Khan., 75/[4]: ka l-badri yajlū wa lā yakhfā Calā s-sārī, "Like the full moon he shines forth, and is not unnoticed by the traveler in the night." Also, Mufadd., 76 (quoted by Anbārī).

IV. akhfā

i. akhfa s-sadaqata, to give charity on the quiet: 2:271.

Cf. 15 (BDW) IV.i.

ii. akhfā l-khayra, to harbor good thoughts in one's mind: 4:149.

See Tad., 2:186. Cf. 15 (BDW) IV.ii.

# 92. KhLD

IV. akhlada

+ PREP [*ilā*]

akhlada ilā sh-shay'i, to become totally [lit: permanently] attached to sth:

\*wa lākinnahū akhlada ilā l-ardi, But he became wholly attached to the earth [= became too engrossed in worldly life/opted for the low moral life]: 7:176.

Kash., 2:104: Akhlada ilā l-arģi: māla ilā d-dunyā wa raghiba fīhā.... Also, Tad., 2:772.

<sup>+</sup> OBJ

# Khā'

# 93. KhLŞ

IV. akhlaşa

+ OBJ + PREP [lām]

akhlaşa dīnahū li llāhi, to submit to God completely: 4:146; 7:29; 10:22; 29:65; 31:32; 39:2, 11, 14; 40:14, 65; 98:5. [All active participles except 4:146.]

Dīn in these verses means tā<sup>c</sup>ah ("submission"). Tad., 2:184. Also, Kash., 1:307.

Akhlaşa I-cazmu, "(of a bone) to have a lot of marrow"; akhlaşa lahū n-naşīhata, "to be sb's true well-wisher, give sb sincere advice"; akhlaşa lahū I-hubba, "to love sb with all one's heart." Aq., 1:292.

# 94. KhLT

VIII. ikhtalata

VB

*ikhtalața n-nabātu,* (of vegetation) to become rich and luxuriant: 10:24; 18:45.

Kash., 2:187, 392. Ikhtalata I-jamalu, "(of a camel) to become stout/fat." Aq., 1:293.

# 95. KhLF

- III. khālafa
  - 1. + PREP [ $^{C}an$ ]

khālafa <sup>c</sup>an amrihī, to oppose/defy sb's orders: 24:63.

The preposition  $c_{an}$  gives the sense of shunning or turning away (Tad., 4:567); tadmin of a<sup>c</sup>rada.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

khālafahū ilā kadhā, to oppose sb by doing sth that he would not: 11:88.

Tadmin of qaşada. The opposite idiom is:  $kh\bar{a}lafah\bar{u}$  <sup>c</sup>ani *l-amri*, "to oppose sb by not doing sth that he would"; the tadmin in this case would be that of walla or a<sup>c</sup>rada. See

Aq., 1:295; Kash., 2:230; 3:87. (Khālafahū <sup>c</sup>ani l-amri should be distinguished from khālafa <sup>c</sup>an amrihī [1, above]).

IV. akhlafa + OBJ

akhlafahū, to make up/compensate for sth: 34:39.

Akhlafati sh-shajaratu, "(of a tree) to put forth new leaves"; akhlafa t-tā'iru, "(of a bird) to grow new feathers"; akhlafa Ilāhu <sup>C</sup>alayka, "May God restore to you what you have lost." Aq., 1:295; Muf., 157. Sahm ibn Hanzalah, Aşm., 56/24: allāhu yukhilfu mā anfaqta muhtasiban, "God will compensate you for what you have spent in the hope of receiving reward in the hereafter." Also, Ibn Muq., 243/24 (cited at 7 ('KL) 1.2.i).

## 96. KhLW

#### I. khalā

#### + PREP [lām]

khalā lahū wajhuhū, to receive sb's exclusive attention: 12:9.

Kash., 2:244; Muf., 158. Khalā lahū l-makānu, "to have a place all to oneself." Aq., 1:299. Ham., 3:1385/1 (with n. 1, ibid.): rasmun li qātilati l-gharāniqi mā bihī/illā l-wuhūshu khalat lahū wa khalā lahā, "[These are the] traces of the residence of a woman who was a killer of handsome youths; there is no one in that place now except wild animals, and the two-the place and the animals-have each other to the exclusion of everything else." Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, Mufadd., 402/73: wa yuhayyini idha laqaytuhu/wa idha yakhlu lahu lahmi rata<sup>c</sup>, "He greets me when I meet him, but when he is alone with my flesh [= finds an opportunity to slander me in my absence (see 7 ('KL) 1.2.vi)], he feasts [on it]." Ma<sup>c</sup>n ibn Aws, Aq., 1:300: a <sup>c</sup>ādhila hal ya'tī l-gabā'ila hazzuhā/mina l-mawti am akhlā lanā l-mawtu wahdanā, "O woman who is chiding me, will the other tribes also receive their share of death, or has death singled us out for its favors?" Aq., 1:300. Also, A<sup>c</sup>shā, 63/8; Nāb., 188/8; Tar., 157/2.

II. khallā

#### + OBJ

khallā sabīlahū, to leave sb alone, let sb go: 9:5.

khallā sabīla fulānin, "to let sb go and not come in his way"; khallā sabīla l-asīri, "to set a prisoner free." Ibid. Aq., 1:300; also, Kash., 2:140. Nāb., 4/5: Khallat sabīla atiyyin kāna yahbisuhū, "She cleared the way for floodwater." Also, Zuh., 201/[1]; Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 19/[3]: fa qultu khallū tarīqī lā abā lakumū, "But l said, 'Let me go—may you suffer the loss of your fathers!" Cf. the use in the following verse by Abū t-Ţamaḥān al-Qaynī, Ham., 4:695/1: yā ayyuhā l-mutamannī an yakūna fatan/mithla bni zaydin la qad khallā laka s-subulā, "You, who wish/aspire to be a man like Ibn Zayd, [go ahead and make your attempt, for] he has left the field open for you." Cf. A<sup>c</sup>shā, 407/12.

# 97. KhMD

I. khamada

VB

khamada, to be wiped out/destroyed [lit: to be snuffed out]: \*fa idhā hum khāmidūna, And all of a sudden-they were wiped

out: 36:29.

Also: 21:15 [act pt; n.].

Nār khāmidah, "a fire that has died down and lost its rustle"; khamadati I-hummā, "(of fever) to subside"; khamada I-marīdu, "(of a sick person) to lose consciousness/die." Asās, 174. Also, Aq., 1:300.

21:15: For a translation, see 48 (J<sup>C</sup>L) 1.2.i(a).

# 98. KhWD

I. khāda

**1**. VB

*khāda,* to split hairs, stretch a point: 6:91 [*mas*]; 9:65, 69 [twice]; 43:83; 52:12 [*mas*]; 70:42; 74:45 [twice, once act pt].

Abbreviated form of 2.ii, below. See n. to 2.ii.

**2.** + PREP [*fi*]

khāda fi l-hadīthi:

i. to enter upon a discussion of a subject:

\*hattā yakhūdū fī hadīthin ghayrihī, Until they change the subject [lit: start talking about something else]: 4:140; 6:68 [yakhūdū].

Maj., 1:141. See also n. to 2.ii below.

ii. to split hairs, stretch a point:

\*wa idhā ra'ayta lladhīna yakhūdūna fī āyātinā, And when you see people who split hairs in regard to Our verses/signs: 6:68 [yakhūdūna].

> Tad., 2:452; 7:22; 8:64. Khāḍa I-mā'a, "to enter/plunge into water"; khāḍa I-ghamarāti, "to rush into dangerous situations, take on dangers." Aq., 1:309; Asās, 177. Kash., 4:161: Alkhawḍ = ash-shurū<sup>c</sup> fī I-bāțili wa mā lā yanbaghī. Also, ibid., 2:161.

# 99. KhWF

- l. khāfa
- **1.** + PREP [ $^{c}a|\bar{a}$ ]

khāfa <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to be concerned about sb's safety/well-being: 4:9; 28:7.

2. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}a\bar{a}$ ]

khāfa <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-amra, to be afraid/apprehensive that sb will be overtaken by sth: 7:59; 11:3, 26, 84; 26:135; 40:30, 32; 46:21.

Ham., 3:1283/1 (with n. 3, ibid.): takhāfu <sup>c</sup>alā ahshā'ihā an taqatta<sup>c</sup>ā, "She is afraid that [if she walks too fast] her [thin] waist will break to pieces." Jarīr (in Kash., 2:206): a banī hanīfata ahkimū sufahā'akum/innī akhāfu <sup>c</sup>alaykumū an aghdibā, "O Banū Hanīfah, knock some sense into your fools, for I fear for you—I fear that I shall become very angry." Also, Nāb., 241/6; Shanfarā, Mufadd., 203/20; cf. rahibahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi, as in Ka<sup>c</sup>b ibn Sa<sup>c</sup>d al-Ghanawī, Aşm., 74/9.

# 100. KhWN

VIII. ikhtāna

+ OBJ

*Ikhtāna nafsahū* means "to break faith with oneself," but it has been used in the Qur'an in two slightly different senses:

i. In 2:187 it means: to act against the dictates of one's conscience—the verse making reference to certain Muslims who had had sexual relations with their wives during Ramadan nights, though inwardly they felt that the act was out of keeping with the sanctity of the month of fasting. Although the act was not forbidden, the mere fact that they had reservations about it warranted the comment that they had not been true to themselves:

\*<sup>c</sup>alima llāhu annakum kuntum takhtānūna anfusakum, God is aware of the fact that you have not been keeping faith with your conscience.

Tad., 1:414; Kash., 1:115.

ii. 4:107 carries a hint of wifely infidelity—the Hypocrites are compared to an unfaithful wife—though the primary sense is that, in playing a double game, the Hypocrites are betraying no one but themselves, and that this self-betrayal will spell harm and ruin for them.

\*wa lā tujādil <sup>c</sup>ani lladhīna yakhtānūna anfusahum, And do not plead on behalf of those who have broken faith with themselves. 4:107.

Tad., 2:150; Kash., 1:297.

# 101. KhWY

I. khawā

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

\*wa hiya khāwiyatun <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>urūshihā, And it [town] had fallen in on its roofs [= had become desolate/been razed]: 2:259.

\*wa hiya khāwiyatun <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>urūshihā, And it [garden] had fallen in on its trellises: 18:42.

Also: 22:45.

2:259: When old buildings collapse, their roofs, minarets, etc. are usually the first to fall, followed by the walls. Thus the picture drawn in the verses is that of walls having fallen down upon the roofs, the latter having fallen already. See *Tad.*, 1:559; 4:401. Also, *Kash.*, 2:391; 3:35.

# 102. KhYL

II. khayyala

+ OBJ + PREP [ila]

khuyyila ilayhi annahū kadhā, to imagine sth to be so and so:

...

\*fa idhā hibāluhum wa <sup>c</sup>işiyyuhum yukhayyalu ilayhi min sihrihim annahā  $tas^{c}a$ , And all of a sudden, as a result of the magic they had performed, it seemed to him [Moses] as if their ropes and sticks were in motion: 20:66.

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# DĀL

# 103. DKhL

I. dakhala

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1. + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]

a. dakhala <sup>c</sup>alayhi: 5:23: see 2 below.

**b.** dakhala bi *l-mar'ati*, to have sexual intercourse with a woman: 4:23.

Kash., 1:261: Al-bā'u li t-ta<sup>c</sup>diyati wa l-lamsi.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

\*wa dkhulū <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-bāba, And rush in upon them through the gate/by taking the gate: 5:23.

\*wa law dukhilat <sup>c</sup>alayhim min aqtārihā, And had they been attacked in them [= in their quarters/homes] from the surrounding areas: 33:14.

5:23: See n. on 33:14, below.

33:14: Following Işlāhī, who takes  $buy\overline{u}t$  (vs. 13) as the antecedent of the pronoun in  $aqt\overline{a}rih\overline{a}$ . The word  $b\overline{a}b$  in the verse is, strictly speaking, a  $mat^{C}\overline{u}l$  fihi with the preposition fi omitted (on this omission, which is peculiar to the use of the verb dakhala, see Shudh., 230-35). It is here categorized as a direct object because the construction is idiomatic (being on the pattern of dakhaltu <sup>C</sup>alā fulānin dārahū [Kash., 3:230]), bāb occupying in it the position of a direct object. The same would apply to 5:23. Al-Munakhkhal al-Yashkuri, Ham., 2:527/9: wa la qad dakhaltu <sup>c</sup>alā l-fatā-/ti l-khidra fi l-yawmi l-matīrī, "I have often visited a young woman, entering her tent on a rainy day."

## 104. DR'

I. dara'a

+ OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

dara'a sh-shay'a bi sh-shay'i, to counteract one thing by means of another:

\*wa yadra'ūna bi l-ḥasanati s-sayyi'ata, And [those] who counteract evil with good: 13:22; 28:54.

See also 111 (DF<sup>C</sup>) I.

VI. tadāra'a

+ PREP [*fi*]

\*fa d-dāra'tum fīhā, Then you indulged in recriminations with regard to it: 2:72.

Asās, 1:185. The image in the verse is that of a charge or accusation being pushed back and forth between two or more parties. See Kash., 1:75.

# 105. DRJ

X. istadraja

+ OBJ

istadrajahū llāhu, (of God) to close in upon sb gradually: 7:182; 68:44.

See Tad., 2:776; 7:529. Also, Asās, 185; Muf., 167; Aq.,1:326; Maj., 1:233.

#### 106. DRK

VI. tadāraka

1. VB

i. tadāraka n-nāsu, (of people) to assemble, gather together: 7:38/.

*Tadāraka I-qawmu,* "(of the members of a group/party), to catch up with one another." *Asās*, 187; *Aq.*, 1:331. Also, *Maj.*, 1:214.

ii. tadāraka l-amru, (of a matter) to become confused/jumbled up: \*bali d-dāraka <sup>C</sup>ilmuhum fī l-ākhirah, The fact is that they are quite mixed up in their minds about/have a very confused understanding of the hereafter: 27:66.

See Tad., 4:760-61. The meaning in ii arises from that in i: when many things come together, a "jumble" or "confusion" may result. Cf. Kash., 3:150.

2. + OBJ

tadāraka sh-shay'a, to rectify sth, set right sth that has gone wrong:

\*law lā an tadārakahū ni<sup>c</sup>matun min rabbihī, Had a blessing from his Lord not redeemed him [Jonah]: 68:49.

The verse means that God rectified the wrong committed by Jonah. Zuhayr (15/[1]), praising the two arbitrators who had helped bring an end to a deadly war between two tribes, says: tadāraktumā <sup>c</sup>absan wa dhubyāna ba<sup>c</sup>da mā/tafānaw wa daqqū baynahum <sup>c</sup>itra manshimī, "The two of you rectified the wrongs committed by the tribes of <sup>c</sup>Abs and Dhubyān, after the people [of the two tribes] had decided to fight to the bitter end and [to symbolize their resolve] had ground among themselves the [fateful] perfume of [the woman called] Manshim." Qays, 143/3: tadārakū l-awsa lammā raqqa <sup>c</sup>azmuhumū, "They came to the aid of/rescued the Aws when the latter became weak [in the battle]." Also, Lab., 144/19; Sā<sup>c</sup>idah ibn Ju'ayyah, D. al-Hudh., 1:226/[3]; Khan., 57/[10].

## 107. DRY

IV. adrā

+ OBJ

i. mā adrāka mā huwa, And what, do you think, is that? [lit: what would inform you as to what it is?]: 69:3; 74:27; 77:14; 82:17, 18; 83:8, 19; 86:2; 90:12; 97:2; 101:3, 10; 104:5.

See n. to ii below.

ii. \*wa mā yudrīka la<sup>c</sup>alla s-sā<sup>c</sup>ata takūnu qarīban, The Hour might be very close, for all you know! 33:63.

Also: 42:17; 80:3.

Lab., 171/16.

i and ii are usually considered interchangeable (see, for example, Asas, 185, and Aq., 1:332; also, Kash., 4:132-33 [on 69:3 (i, above)], and 185 (on 80:3]), but the Quranic usage suggests that there is some difference between the two. First, i indicates the momentous or prodigious nature of something, but that is not necessarily the case with ii. Second, i implies that the listener either lacks all knowledge about the thing in question or is unaware of its true significance, whereas ii implies that the listener may have formed some idea of what is being talked about, but could be grossly mistaken in his estimation. Third, i takes the form of an explication, but it is in the form of a comment: ma adrāka is, in all the verses it occurs in, regularly followed by a ma huwa construction, which paves the way for an explication of the subject under discussion (cf. Muf., 169-70), thus suggesting that the gap in the listener's knowledge needs to be filled; ma yudrika, on the other hand, is in all cases followed by a la<sup>c</sup>allahū kadha construction, implying that it is not necessary to fill the gap in the listener's knowledge, though he should be warned of the error in the view he has formed of something. This analysis is based on a study of / the Qur'anic examples. It seems that the last of the three conditions is not crucial as far as Arabic usage in general is concerned. See, for example, Thaclabah ibn Sucayr, Mufad., 260/15 ff., and al-Muthaqqib al-CAbdi, ibid., 304/4 ff., ma yudrika in both cases being followed by an explication rather than a comment.

See also 197 (Sh<sup>c</sup>R) IV.

# **108. DSS** See 109 (*DSY*)

- 109. DSY
  - II. dassā
    - + OBJ

dassā nafsahū, to suppress/smother one's [purer] self: 91:10.

Kash., 4:215.

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Dassā is a changed form of dassasa. Dassā sh-shay'a fī tturābi, "to bury sth in the ground." Asās, 187 (DSS). Also, Maj., 2:300; Aq., 1:333 (DSS).

# 110. D<sup>C</sup>W

- I. dacā
- 1. + OBJ

da<sup>c</sup>āhu, to call sb for help: 2:23.

- 2. + PREP [a. *ilā*; b. *lām*]
- a. da<sup>c</sup>ā bi sh-shay'i, to ask/call/pray for sth: 17:11; 38:51; 44:55.

Da<sup>c</sup>ā bi l-kitābi, "to call/send for a book." Asās, 189.

b. da<sup>c</sup>ā ilayhi, to call out for help in facing a [difficult] situation:
 \*wa in tad<sup>c</sup>u muthgalatun ilā himlihā, If a soul that is burdened

[with sins] calls out for help in carrying its burden: 35:18.

- 3. + OBJ + PREP [a. *ilā*; b. *lām*]
- **a.** da<sup>c</sup>āhu ilayhi:
- i. to call upon sb to help one out of a difficulty:

\*fa yakshifu mā tad<sup>c</sup>ūna ilayhi, And He relieves you of the hardship you call upon Him to relieve you of: 6:41 [obj und; n.].

\*ka an lam yad<sup>c</sup>unā ilā durrin massahū, As if he had never called upon Us to relieve him of the hardship he had suffered: 10:12.

Also: 39:8 [obj und].

6:41: Kash., 2:13: Fa yakshifu mā tad<sup>c</sup>ūna ilayhi, ay mā tad<sup>c</sup>ūnahū ilā kashfihī.

Shammākh, Ham., 4:1752/2: da<sup>c</sup>awtu ilā mā nābanī fa ajābanī/karīmun mina l-fityāni ghayru muzallajī, "I called out for help against my affliction, and there responded to me a noble man who cannot be driven back [= succeeds in his endeavors]" Also, ibid., 2:498/1.

ii. invite/summon sb to face/encounter sth:

\*sa tud<sup>c</sup>awna ilā qawmin ulī ba'sin shadīdin, You will soon be called upon to confront a powerful people: 48:16.

A Țări woman, Ham., 3:1104: matā yad<sup>c</sup>uhū d-dā<sup>c</sup>ī ilayhi fa innahū/samī<sup>c</sup>un idhā l-ādhānu şamma jawābuhā, "When an opponent invites him to combat, he listens [= responds by stepping forward], at a time when others would turn a deaf ear to such a call."

# **b**. da<sup>c</sup>āhu lahū:

i. to call/invite sb to sth/to accept sth: 8:24, 42:15.

Nāb., 209/8: fa qālat lahū  $ad^{c}\overline{u}ka$  li l- $^{c}aqli$  wāfiran, "It [serpent] said to him, 'l request you to accept a large amount of bloodwite [for your brother, whom I bit to death].""

ii. to attribute/ascribe sth to sb:

\*an da<sup>c</sup>aw li r-rahmāni waladan, That they should attribute offspring to God: 19:91.

iii. dacāhū li abīhi, to call a person after his [real] father: 33:5.

The preposition *ilā* is also used ( $da^{c}\bar{a}hu$  *ilayhi*), as in al-Ghatammash ad-Dabbī, *Ham.*, 3:1034/1. *Idda<sup>c</sup>ā lahū* is "to claim kinship with sb," as in Bashāmah an-Nahshalī, *Ham.*, 1:100/3, and Ubayy ibn Humām al-Murrī, ibid., 1:415/1.

# 111. DF<sup>C</sup>

I. dafa<sup>c</sup>a

+ OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

dafa<sup>c</sup>a sh-shay'a bi shay'i, to counteract/eliminate one thing by means of another:

\*wa law lā daf<sup>c</sup>u llāhi n-nāsa ba<sup>c</sup>dahum bi ba<sup>c</sup>din, And were it not for the fact that God keeps purging one people by means of another: 2:251.

*\*idfa<sup>c</sup> bi llatī hiya ahsanu s-sayyi'ata,* Meet evil with good: 23:96; 41:34.

See also 104 (DR') 1.

# 112. DKK

I. dakka

+ OBJ

\* $ja^{C}alah\bar{u} dakk\bar{a}'a$ , He [God] will raze it [wall] to the ground: 18:98.

\*wa ḥumilati I-arḍu wa I-jibālu fa dukkatā dakkatan wāḥidatan, And the earth and the heavens will be lifted up and crushed all at once: 69:14.

*\*idhā dukkati l-arḍu dakkan dakkan,* When the earth will be reduced to a complete flat: 89:21.

Dakkahū is "to make sth level with the ground." If that thing is higher than the ground, its dakk would be to raze it to the ground: dakka I-ha'ita, "to raze a wall to the ground"; if it is lower, its dakk would be to raise its level to the ground: dakka I-bi'ra, "to fill up a well with earth." Aq., 1:343. Jamal adakk (fem., nagah dakka') is a "humpless camel" (Asas, 192), literally, a camel whose hump is on a level with his back (Kash., 2:402; Maj., 1:228, 415). 18:98 thus means that, when the Last Hour arrives, God will flatten the wall built by Gog and Magog, making it like a humpless she-camel (see Tad., 4:77-78). (Alternatively,  $dakk\bar{a}'$  in the verse = and  $dakk\bar{a}'$ [Mukh., 208].) 89:21 has a similar meaning: Dakka l-arda: sawwa sa<sup>c</sup>ūdaha wa habūtaha (Tad., 8:360 [also, (Aq., 1:343]). As for 69:14, the use of the verb dakka in it may imply either that God will lift up the heavens and the earth and, knocking them against each other, will crush them flat (see Tad., 7:545, or that He will throw them down at the same time, flattening them completely.

- 113. *DLL* 
  - I. dalla

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

dalla <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to guide/lead through sth:

\*thumma ja<sup>c</sup>alnā sh-shamsa <sup>c</sup>alayhi dalīlan, Then We made the sun a pathfinder/trailblazer in it [nocturnal darkness]: 25:45.

> The use in this verse is a little unusual. Islāhī (Tad., 4:606-7) explains as follows: Dalīl is a guide, and zill is the shadow of the evening or night; and just as a guide or scout leads one by unfolding the path, so does the sun lead us out of the night by dispelling darkness (see also Introduction, "Definition and Scope"). Cf. Kash., 3:99, where a rather different interpretation is given. Further, the preposition Calā in the phrase seems to suggest the idea of opposition: the sun advances toward the night, its "opponent," intending to eliminate it. Cf. Maj., 2:75; and Qays ibn Zuhayr al-CAbsi, Ham., 1:429/4: azunnu l-hilma dalla Calayya qawmī, "I think it

is my forbearance/patience that has emboldened my people against me."

# 114. DLW

### II. dallā

+ OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

dalla fulanan bi ghurūrin, to deceive sb by guile, lead sb up the garden path: 7:22.

Aq., 1:347. This idiom arises from the expression,  $adl\bar{a} ddawa$  (see n. to IV below), and the idea is that a man throws a bait—"drops a bucket"—in order to trap somebody. (Cf. Kash., 2:57.) Hass., 206/[4]: fa dallāhumū fī l-ghayyi hattā tahāfatū, "And he [Abū Jahl] enticed them into error, until they preished."

See also IV below.

- IV. adlā
  - + PREP [ilā] + PREP [bā]

adlā ilayhi bi mālin, to use money to ingratiate oneself with sb: 2:188.

Adla d-dalwa means "to lower/drop a bucket into a well" in order to draw water (see 12:19). 2:188 thus signifies the "drawing" of benefit by using money as the "bucket." Tad., 1:420. See also II above, with n.

# 115. DMDM

I. d a m d a m a + PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā] damdama llābu C

damdama llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhim, (of God) to crush a people: 91:14.

Aq., 1:351; Kash., 4:216. See also 116 (DMR) II.

# 116. DMR

II. d a m m a r a + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

\*dammara Ilāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhim, God annihilated them: 47:10.

Damara <sup>c</sup>alayhim, of which 47:10 is an intensive form, means "to come upon a group of people suddenly and attack them." *Tadmīn* of some word like *hajama*. See *Aq.*, 1:348. See also 115 (DMDM) 1.

# 117. DMGh

I. damagha

+ OBJ

\*fa yadmaghuhū, And it [truth] crushes it [falsehood] completely: 21:18.

Damagha fulānan, "to dash/blow sb's brains out"; damaghati sh-shamsu fulānan, "(of sunlight) to give sb a headache." Asās, 195; Aq., 1: 350.

# 118. DHN

- IV. ad'hana VB
- 1. ad'hana, to relent, soften up: 68:9 [twice].

See Asas, 200; Aq., 1:356; Muf., 173.

2. + PREP [ba]

ad'hana bihī, to take sth lightly, neglect/disregard sth: 56:81 [act pt].

Kash., 4:62; Tad., 7:185.

# 119. DWR

IV. adāra

+ OBJ + PREP [bayna]

 $ad\bar{a}r\bar{u}$  sh-shay'a baynahum, (of people) to complete sth [e.g. a deal] between themselves [on the spot] [lit: to move sth in a complete circle]:

*\*illā an takūna tijāratan ḥāḍiratan tudīrūnahā baynakum,* Unless it be merchandise on hand that you turn over and receive between yourselves [thus completing the deal on the spot]: 2:282.

Kash., 1:169: Wa ma<sup>c</sup>nā idāratihā baynahum: ta<sup>c</sup>ātīhim iyyāhā yadan bi yadin. Also, Aq., 1:358; Muf., 174.

# 120. DWL

III. dāwala

+ OBJ + PREP [bayna]

dāwala llāhu l-ayyāma bayna n-nāsi, (of God) to let good and bad days/fortune and misfortune alternate between people, cause the balance of power to shift from one people to another: 3:140.

Aq., 1:359; Kash., 1:219.

# 121. DWM

# I. dāma

VB

\**mā dāmati s-samāwātu wa l-arḍu,* As long as the heavens and the earth endure [= forever]: 11:107, 108.

See Kash., 2:235.

Cf. Lab., 282/[1]:  $m\bar{a}$  dāma fī l-ardi min awtādihā watadū, "As long as the earth has a single mountain left"; and Qays ibn Zuhayr al-<sup>C</sup>Absī, Ham., 1:428/2:  $m\bar{a}$  tala<sup>C</sup>a n-nujūmu, (quoted at 26 (BKY) I). Cf. also 460 (WLI) 1.

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# DHĀL

122. DhKR

- I. dhakara
- 1. + OBJ

i. dhakara l-mar'ata, to propose to a woman: 2:235.

Aq., 1:370.

ii. \*a hādhā lladhī yadhkuru ālihatakum, Is this the one who maligns/speaks ill of your deities? 21:36.

Also: 21:60.

According to Islahi, bi s-sū'i is understood in both verses after the verb, the complete construction thus being: dhakarahū bi s-sū'i, "to make disparaging remarks about sb." Out of their zealous commitment to their deities, that is to say, the idolators would not utter the words bi s-sū'i even when quoting someone about the deities. Tad., 4:286, 299. The English translation reflects this understanding of the verse. It might be remarked, however, that the particular tone or manner in which an expression is sometimes usedwith raised eyebrows or mock seriousness, for example-may give a special slant to the meaning, obviating the need to posit an omission, and that may be the case here. See Kash., 2:198, where the use of *dhakara* in this verse is compared to the use of gala in 10:77 (see 319 (QWL) 1.1). Cf. the English expression, "to get oneself talked about," which means: to allow oneself to become the subject of gossip.

2. + OBJ + PREP [a. calā; b. cinda]

a. dhakara sma llāhi <sup>c</sup>alā n-na<sup>c</sup>ami, to take the name of God when slaughtering an animal: 5:4; 6:118 [pass], 119 [pass], 121 [pass], 138; 22:28, 34, 36.

b. dhakarahū <sup>c</sup>inda fulānin, to mention sb to sb:
 \*udhkurnī <sup>c</sup>inda rabbika, Mention me to your master: 12:42.

# 123. DhLL

- I. dhalla
  - + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

\*adhillatin <sup>c</sup>alā l-mu'minīna, [They are] kind to the believers: 5:54.

The word dhalil is used in a good sense as well as in a bad sense. When used in a good sense, as in this verse, it means "gentle, agreeable, submissive, and humble." Nāqah dhalūl, "docile she-camel." Tad., 2:318. On the use of the preposition Cala in this phrase, see Kash., 1:346. Cf. 192 (ShDD) 1.2.i, and 255 (CZZ) 1.

- II. dhallala + OBI
- i. dhallala d-dābbata, to make an animal docile:

\*wa dhallalnāhā lahum, And We have made them [animals] tractable for them: 36:72.

Dābbah dhalūl, "docile [riding] animal." See Asās, 207.

ii. \*wa dhullilat qutūfuhā tadhlīlan, And their clusters have been made to hang low: 76:14.

Dhullila I-karmu, "(of bunches of grapes on a tree), to be hung/dangled low"; tarīq mudhallal "frequented path, beaten track." Asās, 207. Also, Aq., 1:372; Kash., 4:169.

# 124. DhHB

- I. dhahaba
- 1. VB

i. \*fa ayna tadh'habūna, So where are you going off to! 81:26.

Dhahaba here has the sense of "to take a course of action." The verse thus means: How strange is your conduct? (see Kash., 4:191; Tad., 8:231). Cf. the expression, ayna yudh'habu bika, "What are you saying! Are you serious?" Aq., 1:374.

Cf. 6 ('FK) I, and 210 (SRF) I.ii.

ii. dhahabat nafsuhū: 35:8: see 2.a below.

iii. dhahabat rihuhū, to lose one's credibility/influence/power: 8:46.

Maj., 1:247. Ar-rīhu li āli fulānin, "Power/rule belongs to such-and-such a people." Aq., 1:443 (RWH). Kash., 2:129: Arrīh: ad-dawlah—shubbihat fī nufūdhi amrihā wa tamashshīhi bi r-rīhi wa hubūbihā.

2. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>ala; b. <sup>c</sup>an; c. ba]

**a.** dhahabat nafsuh $\overline{u}$  <sup>C</sup>alayhi, to die/perish/suffer greatly through grief for sb/sth:

\*fa lā tadh'hab nafsuka <sup>c</sup>alayhim hasarātin, Do not, then, waste away through feeling sorry for them: 35:8.

The word *hasarāt* is here interpreted as a  $maf^{C\bar{u}l}$  lah $\bar{u}$ , though other interpretations are possible. See Kash., 3:269. Also, Tad., 5:357.

Al-Ghatammash ad-Dabbī, Ham., 2:893/1 (also, ibid., 3:1035/4): arā l-arda tabqā wa l-akhillā'u tadh'habū, "I see that the earth survives/endures but friends pass away." (Also, ibid., 2:892/1.) Khan., 122/[1]: wa qāfiyatin mithli haddi ssinā-/ni tabqā wa yadh'habu man qālahā, "Many a rhyme/ verse, sharp like the point of a spear, will survive, though the one who composes it will pass away" (also attributed to CAbīd [or <sup>C</sup>Ubayd] ibn Māwiyyah, [Ham., 2:607/5]). Also, Lab., 153/2 [also, ibid., 157/7]; Ibnat Dirār ad-Dabbiyyah, Ham., 3:1053/1 (with n. 2, ibid).

**b.** dhahaba <sup>c</sup>anhu sh-shay'u, (of sth) to leave sb, (of sb) be rid of sth:

\*dhahaba s-sayyi'ātu <sup>c</sup>annī, I am rid of my problems: 11:10.

\*fa lammā dhahaba <sup>c</sup>an ibrāhīma r-raw<sup>c</sup>u, When fear left Abraham: 11:74.

c. dhahaba bihi:

i. to take sth away, deprive [sb] of sth:

\*dhahaba llāhu bi nūrihim, God took away their light: 2:17.

\*wa law shā'a llāhu la dhahaba bi sam<sup>c</sup>ihim wa absārihim, And God, had He so intended, would have deprived them of their ears and their eyes: 2:20.

\*yakādu sanā barqihī yadh'habu bi l-abṣāri, Its flashes of lightning all but blind the eyes: 24:43 [n.].

Also: 17:86; 23:18 [mas].

24:32: The pronoun in *barqihī* refers to the word *sahāb* in the verse.

Nāb., 156/4: wa lā tadh'hab bi hilmika ṭāfiyātun/mina lkhuyalā'i laysa lahunna bābū, "And let not your self-control be taken away by conceit and arrogance that have no opening [= overweening pride that cannot be cured]." Ibn Muq., 159/5: diyārun li llatī dhahabat bi qalbī, "[These are the] dwellings of a woman who has robbed my heart."

ii. to appropriate/usurp sth:

*\*li tadh'habū bi ba<sup>c</sup>di mā ātaytumūhunna,* With the intention of appropriating part of what you have given them: 4:19.

iii. to destroy sth:

\*wa yadh'habā bi tarīqatikumu l-muthlā, And [they plan] to destroy the ideal life-style of yours: 20:63.

iv. (of God) to cause sb to die: 43:41.

v. \*idhan la dhahaba kullu ilāhin bi mā khalaqa, in that case every god would have gone his own [separate] way, taking with him all he had created: 23:91.

It is not the physical act of "going" that is intended in the verse, but the act of setting oneself up as an independent power. As Zamakhsharī (Kash., 3:54) says: La nfarada kullu wāhidin mina l-ālihati bi khalqihī lladhī khalaqahū wa stabadda bihī wa la ra'aytum mulka kulli wāhidin minhum mutamayyizan min mulki l-ākharīna.

See also IV.ii below.

IV. adh'haba

+ OB]

adh'habahū:

i. to use sth up:

\*adh'habtum tayyibātikum, You have used up the good things you had: 46:20.

That is, you have received your share of good things, and, ungrateful for God's blessings as you have been, you shall not receive any of His blessings in the hereafter. See Kash., 3:447; Tad., 6:367.

ii. (of God) to cause sb to die/perish: 4:133; 6:133; 14:19; 35:16.

RĀ′

125. RY

I. ra'ā

1. VB

ra'ā:

i. a ra'ayta/a fa ra'ayta/a ra'aytaka, tell me! what do you think! consider this, then!

\*ara'aytakum in atākum <sup>c</sup>adhābu llāhi aw atatkumu s-sā<sup>c</sup>atu a ghayra llāhi tad<sup>c</sup>ūna, Tell me, if you were to be overtaken by God's punishment, or the Hour were to come upon you, would you call upon anyone other than God? 6:40.

*Also*: 6:46, 47; 10:50; 11:28; 63, 88; 26:205; 28:71, 72; 41:52; 46:10; 67:28, 30; 96:11, 13.

i means "tell me!" (Aq., 1:379-80), the verb ra'ā implying: look into/consider the matter and then give your opinion: Cf. Muf., 209: . . fihi ma<sup>c</sup>nā t-tanbīhi. The kāf in a ra'aytaka, etc. (as also in ii, below [a ra'aytaka hādhā]), is the kāf of "address" (Aq., 1:380: Wa I-kāfu ḥarfu khiṭābin ukkida bihī ḍḍamīru.

See also 2.ii below.

ii. a ra'ayta, well, you see!

\*a ra'ayta idh awaynā ilā s-sakhrati, You see, when we took shelter by the rock: 18:63.

Tad., 4:61.

2. + OBJ

i. ra'āhu:

(a) to see sth in a dream: 12:4, 36 [twice: arani . . . arani], 43.

(b) to form an opinion/view/judgment: 37:102.

(c) ra'āhu ra'ya l-Cayni, to see sth clearly/unmistakably: 3:13.

ii. a ra'aytah $\overline{u}/a$  fa ra'aytah $\overline{u}/a$  ra'aytaka h $\overline{a}$ dh $\overline{a}$ , did you (then) see him/that thing? just look at him/that thing! now tell me about him/ it! 10:59; 17:62; 19:77; 25:43; 26:75; 35:40; 39:38; 45:23; 46:4; 53:19, 33; 56:58, 63, 68, 71; 96:9; 107:1.

See also 1.i above, with n.

#### 126. RBS

V. tarabbaşa

**1**. VB

\*wa tarabbastum, And you waited for/expected [us to meet with] misfortune: 57:14.

Also: 9:52 [twice: fa tarabbaşū . . . mutarabbişūna; n.]; 52:31 [twice, once act pt].

Abbreviated form of 3, below.

9:52: The last two occurrences of the verb tarabbasa in the verse—fa tarabbasū innā ma<sup>c</sup>akum mutarabbisūna—mean "to wait," but (unlike the two occurrences in 20:135, which are not listed) they acquire some of the connotations of the two other occurrences of tarabbasa in 9:52 already used—twice—in the verse (see 3.i below). Fa tarabbasū thus means: Keep on waiting for us to be struck by disaster; and innā ma<sup>c</sup>akum mutarabbisūna means: We are likewise waiting for you to be overtaken by a calamity.

# 2. + PREP [ba']

tarabbasa bihī:

i. to wait for sth [= misfortune] to befall sb: 4:141; 23:25.

Abbreviated form of 3, below (see n. to 3.iii). Cf. Kash., 1:306 (on 4:141): Yatarabbasūna bikum, ay yantazirūna bikum mā yatajaddadu lakum min zafarin aw ikhfāqin. **ii.** tarabbasati *l-mar'atu bi nafsihā*, (of a woman, after divorce or after the death of her husband) to observe the waiting period [before remarrying]: 2:228, 234.

3. + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

tarabbasa bihi sh-shay'a:

i. to wait for sb to be overtaken by sth [= misfortune]:

\*hal tarabbaşūna binā illā iḥdā l-ḥusnayayni wa naḥnu natarabbaşu bikum an yuṣībakumu llāhu bi <sup>c</sup>adhābin min <sup>c</sup>indihī, All you are looking forward to is for us to meet one of two types of good; but we look forward to God's inflicting on you a [severe] punishment from Him: 9:52.

The first use (hal tarabbasūna binā illā ihdā l-husnayayni) isintended to be ironic, the meaning being: Since, to a believer, both happiness and sorrow, ease and hardship bring some good in the end, whether directly or indirectly, therefore what the unbelievers are really expecting the believers to receive is something good, though they may not realize it. Tad., 3:176-77. Cf. Kash., 2:156, where husnayayn is explained as "victory" and "martyrdom."

See also n. to iii below.

ii. tarabbaşa bihī d-dā'irata, to anxiously wait for misfortune to befall sb: 9:98.

See n. to iii below.

iii. *tarabbasa bihī rayba l-manūni*, to expect that sb will be overtaken by disaster [lit: by the uncertainties of fate/wiles of death]: 52:30.

On V in general: Tarabbaşa essentially means "to wait for sth to happen"—whether that "something" is good or bad (Aq., 1:383; Muf., 185). Tarabbaşa bi s-sil<sup>C</sup>ati I-ghalā'a, "to hoard a commodity in anticipation of/hoping for a rise in price." Aq., 1:383; cf. Muf., 185. Umm an-Naḥīf, Ham., 4:1862 (with n. 1, ibid.): tarabbaş bihā I-ayyāma <sup>c</sup>alla surūfahā/ sa tarmī bihā fī jāḥimin mutasa<sup>c</sup>irī, "Wait for misfortune to strike her; perhaps the vicissitudes of time will some day cast her into a blazing fire." Also, Nāb., 86/4 (cited at 415 (NZL) I).

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# 127. RBT

I. rabata

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

rabata llāhu <sup>c</sup>alā qalbihī, (of God) to give sb courage/the power of perseverance/endurance: 8:11 [n.]; 18:14; 28:10.

Asās, 217; Maj., 1:394; Kash., 2:382. Also, ibid., 3:158, where Zamakhsharī explains the image as: Ka mā yurbatu <sup>c</sup>alā sh-shay'i l-munfaliti li yaqirra wa yatma'inna.

Cf. the expressions, *rabața ja shuhu*, "to pluck up courage, be courageous/undaunted/unnerved" (Aq., 1:384), and *rabața li dhālika l-amri ja shan*, "He plucked up/mustered courage in order to carry out that task" (ibid., 1:99); see Lab., 176/10, 186/43, and A<sup>c</sup>shā, 361/28.

III. rābata

VB

\*wa rābitū, And stay combat-ready: 3:200.

*Rābaţa l-jayshu, "*(of troops) to watch the borders in a state of preparedness." *Aq.*, 1:386. Also, *Tad.*, 1:835. Cf. *Maj.* 1:112.

# 128. RBW

1. rabā

VB

rabati l-ardu, (of the earth) to grow rich vegetation: 22:5; 41:39.

See also 160 (ZYN) V, and 394 (HZZ) VIII.

129. RT<sup>C</sup>

I. rata<sup>C</sup>a

VB

\*yarta<sup>C</sup> wa yal<sup>C</sup>ab, So that he may eat and drink and play: 12:12.

This is a description of a picnic scene, picnicking being a favorite sport and recreation of the Bedouin, and one that Arab poets talk about with great interest. Tad., 3:443. Rata<sup>c</sup>ati I-māshiyatu, "(of cattle) to graze and drink

water freely"; rata<sup>c</sup>ati l-qawmu, "(of people) to eat and drink their fill"; kharajnā narta<sup>c</sup>u wa nal<sup>c</sup>abu, "We set out enjoying ourselves and having fun." Aq., 1:388; also, Maj., 1:303; Kash., 2:244.

- I. raja<sup>C</sup>a
- + OBJ raja<sup>c</sup>ahū:
- i. to give a response:

\*fa nzur mā dhā yarji<sup>c</sup>ūna, Then note their reaction/response: 27:28 [obj und].

Raja<sup>c</sup>a I-jawāba, "to give a reply." Muf., 188 f. Also, <sup>C</sup>Abd al-Malik ibn <sup>C</sup>Abd ar-Rahīm al-Hārithī, Ham., 2:881/7.

ii. raja<sup>c</sup>a l-basara, to take another look: 67:3, 4.

iii. raja<sup>c</sup>a n-nafsa, to bring sb back to life [lit: to bring a soul back]: 56:87.

2. + PREP [ilā] raja<sup>c</sup>a ilavhi:

i. to have recourse to sb/sth:

*la<sup>c</sup>allahum ilayhi yarji<sup>c</sup>ūna,* So that they might turn to him [Abraham] [and ask him about the incident]: 21:58.

The antecedent of the pronoun in *ilayhi* could also be the chief idol—*kabīran lahum* (vs. 58)—whom Abraham had purposely spared. See Kash., 3:14.

ii. raja<sup>C</sup>a ilā nafsihī, to engage in self-examination, subject oneself to scrutiny: 21:64

Tad., 4:301.

3. + OBJ + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

- i. raja<sup>c</sup>a ilayhi l-gawla:
- (a) to respond to sb: 20:89.

(b) to make a retort in one's argument with sb:

\* $yarji^{c}u ba^{c}duhum ila ba^{c}dini l-qawla$ , They will be hurling contentious remarks at one another/bickering and arguing with one another: 34:31.

**ii.** *yurja<sup>c</sup>u l-amru ilayhi*, (of a matter) to be presented before/ referred to sb for a verdict, be up to sb to decide:

\*wa ilā llāhi turja<sup>c</sup>u l-umūru, And it is to God that all matters are/ are to be/shall be remitted: 2:210; 3:109; 8:44; 22:76; 35:4; 57:5.

Also: 11:123 [pass].

See also 134 (RDD), 1.2.b.i, 220 (SYR) 1, and 251 (CR/) 1.

VI. tarāja<sup>c</sup>a

VB

 $taraja^{C}a$  r-rajulu wa l-mar'atu, (of a man and a woman) to remarry after having been divorced: 2:230.

131. RJF

IV. arjafa

VB

arjafa, to spread false rumours:

\*wa l-murjifuna fi l-madinati, And the rumor-mongers in Madinah: 33:60.

Rajafahū, "to shake sth"; rajafati/arjafati l-ardu, "(of the earth) to quake." Aq., 1:392. From this, arjafa comes to mean "to spread rumors," since to spread rumors is to make things "shaky" or uncertain. Or, as Zamakhsharī (Kash., 3:247) explains, the word has this meaning because a rumor is something that is not established, and is, therefore, "shaky" (li kawnihī khabaran mutazalzilan ghayra thābitin). There is a proverb: Idhā waqa<sup>c</sup>ati l-makhāwīfu kathurati larājīfu, "When fear reigns, rumors fly." Asās, 223. See also Hass., 241/[6].

#### 132. RJM

- l. rajama
  - + PREP [ba']

rajama bi l-ghaybi, to make wild guesses at sth, speak about sth without knowing anything about it: 18:22 [mas].

Rajamahū is "to pelt sb with stones," and from this comes the expression, rajama r-rajulu, "to speak on the basis of conjecture"—as if one were throwing stones in all directions hoping to hit the target by chance. See Asās, 223; also, Aq., 1:393; Kash., 2:385. Zann murajjam, "conjecture of unascertained validity." Maj., 1:398. Zuh., 18/[4]: wa mā l-harbu illā mā <sup>c</sup>alimtum wa dhuqtumū/wa mā huwa <sup>c</sup>anhā bi l-hadīthi lmurajjamī, "War is exactly what you have come to know and experience. And this remark concerning it is not a conjecture of doubtful validity." A TāT woman, Ham., 3:1103/2: u<sup>c</sup>allilu nafsī bi l-murajjami ghaybuhū, "I divert myself with wishful thinking [lit: with thought of things one does not know will come to pass or not]." Cf. wa zannu l-ghaybi tarjīmū, "And to conjecture about things unknown to one is like throwing stones about [without having a definite target to aim at]," in CAlqamah, Ahl., 111/13. Also, Khan., 49/[6]; Ukht al-Muqaşsas, Ham., 3:1096)2 (with n. 1, ibid., 3:1095).

Ćf. 304 (QDhF) I.1.i.

133. *RJW* 

I. rajā

+ OBJ

\*lā yarjūna ayyāma llāhi, [Those] who do not expect that the Days of God will come to pass: 45:14.

The "Days of God" are those historical occasions on which the opponents of the prophets were annihilated. *Tad.*, 6:311. Cf. *Maj.*, 2:210.

\**mā lakum lā tarjūna li llāhi waqāran*, What is the matter with you, that you do not expect God to act in accordance with His dignity/majesty? 71:13.

See Tad., 7:598-99. Cf. Maj., 2:271; Muf., 190-91; Kash., 4:142.

IV. arjā

1. + OBJ

arjā r-rajulu mra'atahū, (of a husband) to put off one's wife: 33:51.

Kash., 3:243.

### 2. + OBJ + PREP $[l\bar{a}m]$

\*wa ākharūna murjawna li amri llāhi, And there are others, decision on whose fate is deferred, to be made by God: 9:106.

#### 134. RDD

- I. radda
- 1. + OBI '
  - raddahū:

#### i. radda t-tahiyyata, to return a greeting: 4:86.

Kash., 1:286. Artāh ibn Suhayyah, Ham., 1:399/3: kafā baynanā an lā turadda tahiyyatun/calā jānibin wa lā yushammata catisu, "[We are such bitter rivals that] it is good enough that a greeting offered [by one-lit: a stranger] is [instead of being met with abuse by the other] not returned [by the other], and that one who happens to sneeze is [instead of being cursed] not blessed with a prayer [by the other]." (Turadda and yushammata in the verse may also be read turaddu and yushammatu.) Tirimmāh, Krenk., 120/4: wa innī idhā raddat <sup>c</sup>alayya tahiyyatan/aqūlu lahā khdarrat <sup>c</sup>alayki wa tullati, "When she returns my greetings, I say to her, 'May it [greeting] make you prosperous [lit: may it blossom for you] and fall upon you like blessed rain [lit: besprinkle you]." Also, Acsha, 73/22; CAnt., 164/[5]; al-Bacith ibn al-Hurayth, Ham., 1:377/2. Radda s-su'āla (as in Akhtal, 349/41 [cited at 161 (S'L) 2.ii]), and radda l-jawaba (as in CAnt., 72/[3]) are similar.

ii. radda l-mar'ata, to take one's wife back [after a revocable divorce]: 2:228.

iii. radda l-yamina, to reject an oath as invalid: 5:108 [pass].

**2.** + OB] + PREP [a.  $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ; c.  $f\bar{i}$ ]

a. raddahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to hand/turn sth over to sb: 16:71 [act pt].

Tadmīn of <sup>c</sup>arada. Radda <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-hibata, "to present sb with a gift/donation." Asās, 227. Ham., 4:1708/4 (with n. 4, ibid., 4:1707): turaddu <sup>c</sup>alayhim nūquhā wa jimāluhā, "Of these, male as well as female camels are [constantly] being given away/presented to people."

# ii. to bring sth back to sb: 38:33.

Tadmin of <sup>c</sup>arada.

Musāfi<sup>c</sup> al-<sup>c</sup>Absī, Ham., 2:989/2: wa laysa warā'a sh-shay'i shay'un yarudduhū/c'alayka idhā wallā siwā s-sabri fa sbirī, "Once you have lost something, nothing will bring it back to you. There is nothing to do except to be patient; so, be patient." Al-A<sup>c</sup>raj al-Ma<sup>c</sup>nī, ibid., 1:291/6: ruddū <sup>c</sup>alaynā shaykhanā thumma bajal, "Give us our leader/chief [= <sup>c</sup>Uthmān ibn <sup>c</sup>Affān] back: that is all [we demand]." Also, Zuh., 136/[3]; Ham., 2:878/5.

iii. raddahū <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>aqibayhi, to make sb retrace his steps, cause sb to renounce his stance/position: 3:149; 6:71 [pass].

The expression in the two verses means: to reconvert someone to disbelief. Kash., 1:222; 2:22. In <sup>C</sup>Ant., 63/[1], the phrase is used in the sense of causing someone to retreat from the battlefield.

iv. radda llāhu wajhahū <sup>c</sup>alā duburihi, (of God) to turn sb's face backward [as a form of punishment]:

\*min qabli an națmisa wujūhan fa naruddahā <sup>C</sup>alā adbārihā, Before we blot out faces, turning them backward: 4:47.

Kash., 1:272.

**b.** raddahū ilayhi:

i. radda l-amra ilayhi, to refer a matter to sb for decision/judgment: 4:59, 83.

Maj., 1:130: Fa ruddūhu ilā llāhi, ay hukmuhū ilā llāhi. Also, Kash., 1:275, 285.

See also iii below, and 130 (R/C) I.3.ii, 220 (SYR) I, and 251 (CR) I.

ii. \*wa minkum man yuraddu ilā ardhali I-<sup>C</sup>umuri, And among you are some who are allowed to live on to a decrepit old age: 16:70; 22:5.

iii. \*ilayhi yuraddu <sup>c</sup>ilmu s-sā<sup>c</sup>ati, To Him belongs the knowledge of the Hour: 41:47.

Cf. i above.

c. raddahū fihi:

i. raddahū fī l-hāfirati, to put sb in a previous state [lit: to cause sb to retrace his steps]:

\*yaqūlūna a innā la mardūdūna fī l-ḥāfirati, They say, 'What, are we going to be restored to our previous state [= are we going to be revived after death]? 79:10.

Tad., 8:178-79; Aq., 1:209 (HFR); Asas, 133 (HFR).

**ii.** radda yadahū fī fami fulānin, to silence sb by putting one's hand on his mouth, compel/reduce sb to silence: 14:9.

Tad., 3:561. (Cf. Maj., 1:336; Muf., 192, 551; Kash., 2:295.) Radda in this verse may carry the tadmin of  $ja^{C}ala$  (see Tad., 3:561), but it may also imply that the act was repeated time and again (Muf., 192.)

3. + OBj + HAL

radda *l-mu'mina kāfiran*, to turn a believer into a disbeliever, convert a believer back to disbelief: 2:109; 3:100.

In these verses, *kāfir* may also be regarded as the second object, with *radda* taken to mean *sayyara*. <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:57.

4. + OB] + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$  + PREP  $[^{C}al\bar{a}]$ 

radda llāhu lahū l-karrata <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin, (of God) to turn the situation in favor of sb and against sb else: 17:6.

Maj., 1:371; Kash., 2:352.

VIII. irtadda.

**1.** + PREP [a.  $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ; b.  $^{C}an$ ; c.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

a. irtadda <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. irtadda <sup>c</sup>alā atharihī, to retrace one's steps: 18:64.

ii. irtadda <sup>c</sup>alā duburihī:

(a) to flinch/recoil/back away/hold back [from sth], turn one's back, turn tail: 5:21.

(b) to renege on one's stance/position, renounce one's beliefs: 47:25.

**b.** irtadda <sup>c</sup>an dinihi, to abandon one's religion, apostatize: 2:217; 5:54.

\*la yartaddu ilayhim tarfuhum, Their eyes [dazed and] not blinking: 14:43.

\*qabla an yartadda ilayka tarfuka, Before you can blink your eyes [= in the twinkling of an eye]: 27:40.

14:43: See Kash., 2:306.

27:40: Cf. Kash., 3:143-44.

Hass., 231/[4]:  $m\bar{a}$  radda tarfa l-<sup>C</sup>ayni dh $\bar{u}$  shafr $\bar{i}$ , "As long as people with eyes blink their eyes [= forever].

2. + HĀL

irtadda kadhā, to become so and so: \*fa rtadda basīran, And he regained his vision/eyesight: 12:96.

See also 2 ('TY) 1.4, and 314 (Q<sup>C</sup>D) 1.3.

# 135. RDF

I. radifa

+ PREP [lām]

radifa lahū, to tail sb, follow sb close behind: 27:72.

On the lam in the phrase, see Kash., 3:151.

### IV. ardafa

VB

ardafū, (of people) to come one after another/in succession: 8:9 [act pt].

In the verse, the word is used of angels, whose help the Muslims were promised at the Battle of Badr.

# 136. RSL

IV. arsala

1. VB

arsala llahu, (of God) to raise a prophet: 15:10.

In this verse the verb *arsala* by itself carries the meaning: to raise a prophet. See also 3.ii and iii, below.

2. + OBJ

arsalahū:

i. to release sth:

\*wa mā yumsiku fa lā mursila lahū, And that which He withholds no one can release: 35:2.

ii. arsala llāhu n-nafsa, (of God) to give a respite to a being/soul: 39:42.

**3.** + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

arsala ilayhi:

i. to send for/invite sb: 12:31.

ii. (of God) to appoint sb as prophet: 26:13.

Kash., 3:109: Fa arsil ilā hārūna: arsil ilayhi jibrā'īla wa j<sup>c</sup>alhu nabiyyan. Zamakhsharī (ibid.) goes on to say: Wa qad aḥsana fī l-ikhtiṣāri ḥaythu qāla, fa arsil ilā hārūna, fa jā'a bi mā yataḍammanu ma<sup>c</sup>nā l-istinbā'i. See also 28:34, where Moses prays to God to appoint Aaron a co-messenger. See also 1 (with n.), above, and iii, below.

iii. arsala llāhu ilā l-qawmi, (of God) to send sb as a prophet to a people: 6:42; 16:63/.

See also 1 (with n.) and ii, above.

4. + OBJ + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā] arsalahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to unleash sth against sb, impose sb/sth upon sb:

*\*li nursila <sup>C</sup>alayhim ḥijāratan min ṭīnin,* In order that We may rain down on them rocks of clay: 51:33.

\*wa arsala <sup>c</sup>alayhim tayran abābīla, And He despatched against them swarms of birds: 105:3 [n.].

*Also:* 7:133, 162; 17:68, 69; 18:40; 19:83; 29:40; 33:9; 34:16; 41:16; 51:41; 54:19, 31, 34; 55:35 [pass]; 67:17.

105:3: To impose predatory birds on the enemy is a familiar Arabic idiomatic expression signifying infliction of defeat on the enemy. *Tad.*, 8:560.

Arsala kalbahū/ṣaqrahū <sup>c</sup>alā ṣ-ṣaydi, "to let one's dog/ falcon go after the prey." Asās, 231. Abū Khirāsh, D. alHudh., 2:163/[3]: fa aljamahā fa arsalahā <sup>c</sup>alayhi, "Then he [hunter] put the bridle on it [horse, likened to the swift ostrich] and let it go after it [wild ass]."

ii. arsala llāhu s-samā'a <sup>c</sup>alā l-qawmi midrāran, (of God) to shower riches/blessings on a people [lit: to send down abundant rain upon a people]: 6:6; 11:52; 71:11.

### 137. RDY

I. radiya

1. VB

radiya sh-shay'u, (of sth) to be good/proper/desirable/agreeable: \*mā lā yardā mina l-gawli, Improper/wicked talk: 4:108.

\*fa huwa fi Cishatin rādiyatin, He shall enjoy a happy existence: 69:21; 101:7.

2. + OBJ

radiyahū, to find sb/sth acceptable/agreeable: 2:282 [obj und].

Cf. Zamakhshari (Kash., 1:168), who explains min man tardawna mina sh-shuhadā'i in the verse as: min man ta<sup>c</sup>rifūna cadālatahum.

# 138. R<sup>C</sup>Y

- I. racā
  - + OBJ

 $ra^{c}\bar{a}hu$ , to watch over sth, be heedful/mindful of sth, to acquit oneself well of sth:

\*wa lladhīna hum li amānātihim wa <sup>c</sup>ahdihim rā<sup>c</sup>ūna, And [those] who fulfill their trusts and pledges: 23:8; 70:32.

\*fa mā ra<sup>c</sup>awhā ḥaqqa ri<sup>c</sup>āyatihā, But they did not fulfill its terms the way these were supposed to be fulfilled: 57:27.

Khan., 138/[4]: wa li l-amānati rā<sup>c</sup>in ghayru khawwānī, "And he was a man who fulfilled his trust, never committing a breach of trust." Qurād ibn Hanash as-Ṣāridī, Ham., 3:1430/1: la qawmī ar<sup>c</sup>ā li l-<sup>c</sup>ulā min <sup>c</sup>iṣābatin/mina n-nāsi yā ḥāri bni <sup>c</sup>amrin tasūduhā, "My people, O Hārith ibn <sup>c</sup>Amr, are more devoted to the pursuit of glory than is the group of people you happen to be leading." Also, Abū Dhu'ayb, D. al-Hudh., 1:155/[3]; <sup>c</sup>Ant., 22/[6], 176/[7].

# III. rā¢ā + OBI

t Obj

\*rā<sup>c</sup>inā, We beg your pardon! 2:104; 4:46.

Lit: "Make an allowance for us, be kind to us!"  $ar^{c}in\tilde{i}/r\bar{a}^{c}in\tilde{i}$  sam<sup>c</sup>aka, "Listen to me/lend me your ear!" Asās, 238; Aq., 1:414. Also, Muf., 198; Kash., 1:86, 272; Tad., 1:250-51. The Qur'ān prohibited the use of the word  $r\bar{a}^{c}in\bar{a}$ , suggesting unzurnā instead (see 383 (NZR) 1.1.ii(a)), because certain opponents of Islam, in addressing the Prophet, deliberately mispronounced it, making it  $r\bar{a}^{c}in\bar{a}$  ("our shepherd"), a term of reproach. Cf. the Qur'ānic prohibition of the use of the expression, isma<sup>c</sup> ghayra musma<sup>c</sup>in (see 183 (SM<sup>c</sup>) 1.2).

# 139. RGhB

I. raghiba

+ PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$  + PREP  $[^{C}an]$ 

raghiba bihī <sup>c</sup>an ghayrihī, to accord preference to sth over sth else:

\*wa lā yarghabū bi anfusihim <sup>c</sup>an nafsihī, Nor was it becoming of them to hold their own lives dearer than his [Prophet's]: 9:120.

#### 140. RFTh

I. rafatha

+ PREP [ila]

\*ar-rafathu ilā nisā'ikum, To have sexual intercourse with your wives: 2:187.

Tadmīn of afdā. See Muf., 199. Also, Maj., 1:67; Asās, 240; Kash., 1:115; Tad., 1:411-12.

#### 141. RF<sup>C</sup>

+ OBJ

rafa<sup>c</sup>ahū:

i. to build/construct/erect sth: rafa<sup>c</sup>a l-bayta, to build/construct a house: 24:36 [pass]. rafa<sup>c</sup>a qawa<sup>c</sup>ida l-bayti, to lay the foundations of a house: 2:127 [n.].

2:127: *Al-bayt* in the verse is the "House of God," i.e. the Ka<sup>c</sup>bah.

ii. rafa<sup>c</sup>a sawtahū, to raise one's voice, speak loudly:

\* lā tarfa<sup>c</sup>ū sawtakum fawqa sawti n-nabiyyi, Do not raise your voices above the Prophet's: 49:2.

Do not do so, that is, out of an exaggerated sense of selfimportance. See Tad., 6:486. Cf. Kash., 4:3-4. Kalām marfū<sup>c</sup>, "loud talk." Asās, 242.

iii.  $rafa^{C}a$  llāhu dhikrahū, (of God) to give sb a good reputation, spread sb's fame: 94:4.

iv. to raise sb/sth in status: 7:176; 80:14 [pass pt; n.].

80:14: Kash., 4:185.

142. RQB

I. ragaba

1. + OB

raqaba qawlahū, to pay heed to/keep in mind sb's advice/ counsel: 20:94.

See Maj., 2:26.

**2.** + OB] + PREP [fi]

\**lā* yarqubū fīkum illan wa lā dhimmatan, They would, in regard to you, respect no ties of kinship and honor no commitments [= they would treat you in a most ruthless/uncompunctuous manner]: 9:8.

Also: 9:10.

*III* refers to obligations arising from blood or other close relationships; *dhimmah*, to obligations that devolve upon the parties to an agreement. Or, one might say, *iII* refers to the social, and *dhimmah* to the political, bases of human relationships. *Tad.*, 3:132-33.

#### 143. RKS

IV. arkasa

1. + OBJ

arkasahū:

arkasahū llāhu, (of God) to set sb back:

\*wa llāhu arkasahum bi mā kasabū, It is God who has thrown them back [into disbelief] on account of their actions: 4:88.

**2.** + OB) + PREP [fi]

\*kullama ruddū fī l-fitnati urkisū fīhā, Every time they are thrown back to mischief, they are tossed into it: 4:91.

*Rikās* is the chord that is used to tie a camel; it is passed through the animal's nose and tied to its leg, with the result that its head is left inclined downward, rakasa *l-bacīra* meaning "to tie a camel with a rikās." Aq., 1:427-28. Arkasahū fī sh-sharri, "to cause a person to become engaged in mischief again"; arkisi th-thawba fī s-sibghi, "Dip the cloth back into the dye." Asās, 249; also, Aq., 1:428.

#### 144. RKN

I. rakina

+ PREP [ila]

rakina ilayhi, to incline/draw toward sb/sth: 11:113; 17:74.

Rakina ilayhi contains the twin meanings of moving toward someone/something and then staying with him/it. Aq., 1:429. (Also, Maj., 1:300, 386.) The construction, in other words, has a tadmin of some word like itma'anna. Aqāribu ka I-Caqāribi fi adhāhā/fa lā turkin ilā Cammin wa khālī, "Relatives hurt like scorpions; do not rely, therefore, on uncles paternal or maternal." Aq., 1:429. Al-Qatarī ibn al-Fujā'ah, Ham., 1:136/1: lā yarkanan ahadun ilā I-ihjāmī/yawma I-waghā mutakhawwifan li-himāmī, "Let no one on the day of battle incline to [the thought of] holding back out of fear of death."

#### 145. RMY

- I. ramā
- 1. + OB

ramāhu, to accuse sb:

\*wa lladhīna yarmūna l-muḥṣanāti, And those who accuse chaste women [of fornication]: 24:4.

Also: 24:6, 23.

2. + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

ramāhu bihī, to accuse sb of sth:

\*thumma yarmi bihī barī'an, And [if] he should then accuse an innocent person of it: 4:112.

Ramāhu bi l-fāḥishati, "to accuse sb of immorality." Asās, 254. Khan., 40/9: qad <sup>C</sup>ishta fīnā wa lā turmā bi fāḥishatin/ hattā tawaffāka rabbu n-nāsi maḥmūdā, "You lived among us and were never accused of committing a vile act, until God caused you to die a praised man." Also, Hass., 108/[1].

#### 146. RHQ

IV.arhaga '

+ OBJ + OBJ

arhagahū<sup>c</sup>usran, to subject sb to difficulties: 18:73 [n].

\*fa khashīnā an yurhiqahumā tughyānan wa kufran, We feared that he would torment them with his defiance and disblief: 18:80.

\*sa urhiquhū sa<sup>c</sup>ūdan, I shall force him to take the uphill road: 74:17 [n.].

18:73: See <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 2:106. 74:17: See *Kash.*, 4:158.

#### 147. RWH

I. rāḥa

VB

\*wa rawāḥuhā shahrun, And its [wind's, hence: ships'] homeward passage lasted a month: 34:12.

That is, the ships were so well-made that they could go on long journeys: their outward voyage lasted a whole month (see 272 (GhDW) 1.1), and their homeward voyage lasted another month. Tad., 5:299. Cf. Kash., 3:253.

*Rāha* in the verse means "to return" [originally: to return in the evening—often used of camels returning in the evening after grazing]." *Chadā*, by contrast, means "to go out [originally: to go out in the morning]" (see 272 (*GhDW*), 1.1).

III. rāwada

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

i. rāwadat'hu l-mar'atu <sup>c</sup>an nafsihī, (of a woman) to tempt a man, try to seduce him: 12:23, 26, 30, 32, 51.

See n. to ii below.

**ii.** \*sa nurāwidu <sup>c</sup>anhu abāhu, We shall try to bring his father round/persuade his father in regard to him: 12:61.

\*wa la qad  $r\bar{a}wad\bar{u}h\bar{u}$  <sup>c</sup>an dayfih $\bar{i}$ , And they even tried to persuade him [Lot] with regard to his guests [= tried to induce him to hand over his guests to them]: 54:37.

Aq., 1:444. The use of <sup>c</sup>an gives the sense of sarafa (Muf., 207 [on 12:30]: Turāwidu fatāhā <sup>c</sup>an nafsihī = tasrifuhū <sup>c</sup>an ra'yihī). i and ii, that is to say, have the tadmīn of sarafa.

IV. arāda

+ OBJ

arādahū:

i. to imply/drive at sth:

\*mā dhā arāda llāhu bi hādhā mathalan, What does God mean by citing this parable? 2:26; 74:31.

ii. to be about to do sth:

\*fa wajadā fīhā jidāran yurīdu an yanqaḍḍa, There they found a wall that was about to collapse: 18:77.

Maj., 1:410-11.

iii. arāda wajha llāhi, to seek the pleasure [lit: face] of God: 6:52; 18:28; 30:38, 39.

Kash., 2:16 (on 6:52): Wa I-wajhu yu<sup>c</sup>abbaru bihī <sup>c</sup>an dhāti sh-shay'i wa haqīqatihī. The word wajh in the phrase can be interpreted in two slightly different ways. Ibid., 3:205. See also 24 (BChY) VIII.1.iii.

iv. \*inna hādhā la shay'un yurādu, This is the thing to do [lit: this is a desirable thing]! 38:6.

The statement is made by the idolatrous leaders of Makkah and is addressed to their followers. They advise the latter to ignore the Prophet and stick to their idols, saying that the right thing to do is to persist in worship of the idols. *Tad.*, 9:512.

#### 149. RWGh

I. rägha

+ PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā]

rāgha <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to steal upon sb and attack him: 37:93.

Rāgha is used of a fox that is moving furtively. See Aq., 1:447; Muf., 208. <sup>C</sup>Alā gives the tadmīn of hajama.

150. RYN

I. rāna

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

*rāna sh-shay'u <sup>c</sup>alā qalbihī*, (of sth) to prevail over/dominate/ overpower sb [lit: sb's heart]:

\*wa rāna <sup>c</sup>alā qulūbihim mā kānū yaksibūna, And Their hearts have become thoroughly contaminated with [the evil of] their actions: 83:14.

> Rāna <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-sharābu/n-nu<sup>c</sup>āsu, "to become intoxicated with wine/be overcome by drowsiness." Asās, 264. Also, Maj., 2:289; Kash., 4:196. <sup>c</sup>Abdah ibn at-Tabīb, Mufadd., 284/ 48: awradtuhū l-qawma qad rāna n-nu<sup>c</sup>āsu bihim, "I brought it [game] to my companions, drowsiness having overtaken them."

ΖĀΊ

151. ZRY -

VIII. izdarā

+ OBJ

\*alladhīna tazdarī a<sup>c</sup>yunukum, Those you look down upon [lit: those whom your eyes scorn/disdain]: 11:31 [obj und].

152. ZKW

II. zakkā

+ OBJ

zakkā nafsahū, to have pretensions of piety, adopt a holier-thanthou attitude: 4:49; 53:32.

> Asās, 273: Zakkā nafsahū: madaḥahā wa nasabahā ilā zzakā'i. Also, Kash., 1:273; 4:41. See also 236 (THR) V.

153. *ZLZL* 

I. zalzala

+ OBJ

zalzala llāhu n-nāsa, (of God) to shake people up [through hardships/calamities]:

\*wa zulzilū, And they were shaken up: 2:214 [pass]; 33:11 [pass].

# 154. ZLQ

IV. azlaga

+ OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

azlaqahū bi başarihī, to unsettle/unnerve sb with one's looks: 68:51.

Cf. Aq., 1:471.

155. ZLL

I. zalla

VB

zallat qadamuhū, to become shaky in one's stance: 16:94.

For a translation of the verse, see 40 (*ThBT*), I. See Maj., 1:367. Cf. Muḥammad ibn Sa<sup>c</sup>d al-Kātib at-Tamīmī, *Ham.*, 4:1589/2. Also, A<sup>c</sup>shā, 307/1. Cf. 40 (*ThBT*) I.

156. ZHD

I. zahada

VB

zahada, to be indifferent [to sb/sth]:

\*wa kānū fīhi mina z-zāhidīna, And they were quite indifferent in regard to him [Joseph]: 12:20 [act p].

Zahada in this verse means "to be indifferent," giving the meaning of zahada fihi. But the fihi in the verse is not a silah to zāhidīn. As Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:247) says: Wa qawluhū, fihi, laysa min silati z-zāhidīna, li anna s-silata lā tataqaddamu calā l-mawsūli . . . wa innamā huwa bayānun, ka'annahū qīla, fī ayyi shay'in zahadū, fa qāla, zahadū fihi. Abū l-Hajnā', Ham., 2:922/1 (with n. 1, ibid.): a cādhila man yurza' ka hajnā'a lam yazal/ka'īban wa yazhad bac'dahū fi l-cawāqibī, "O reproachful woman, one who suffers the loss of one like Hajnā' becomes forever wretched, becoming indifferent to what time brings." (On the word cawāqib in the verse, cf. Marzūqī's explanation and n. 2, ibid.) Also, ibid., 3:1522/3.

### 157. ZHQ

I. zahaga

VB

i. zahaqa I-bāțilu, (of falsehood) to be defeated/thwarted: 17:81 [twice, once act pt]. 21:18 [act pt].

Kash., 2:373: Zahaga I-bātilu: dhahaba wa halaka.

ii. zahagat nafsuhū, to die, breathe one's last: 9:55, 85.

Zahaqat nafsuhū, "to die of grief over sth." Muf., 215. Ja<sup>c</sup>far ibn <sup>C</sup>Ulbah al-Hārithī, Ham., 1:53/3: atatnā fa hayyat thumma qāmat fa wadda<sup>c</sup>at/fa lammā tawallat kādati n-nafsu tazhaqū, "She visited us, offered her greetings, then got up and said goodbye. When she left, I almost breathed my last."

158. ZYGh

I. zāgha

1. VB

i. zāgha r-rajulu, (of a man) to become crooked/wicked: 61:5.

ii. zāgha l-baṣaru, (of eyes) to miss their object, not to be able to look sth: 33:10; 53:17.

Zāgha I-basaru implies deflection—i.e. an inability to view something from the correct angle. Cf. taghā I-basaru (53:17 [see 230 (TChY) 1,1]), which implies lack of steadiness—i.e. an inability to view something steadily for a length of time. Tad., 7:57; also, Kash., 3:230; 4:39. In 33:10, it should be noted, taghā also implies an inability to look at something because of fear. See Tad., 5:197. Zāghati sh-shamsu, "(of the setting sun) to sink in the horizon." Aq., 280. See also 2.ii below.

See also 2.11 below.

iii. zāgha qalbuhū, (of sb's heart) to become crooked/wicked: 9:117.

\*fa ammā Iladhīna fī qulūbihim zayghun, As for those in whose hearts there is crookedness/wickedness: 3:7.

**2.** + PREP  $[^{C}an]$ 

i. zāgha <sup>c</sup>an amrihī, to defy/disregard sb's order/command: 34:12.

ii. zāgha <sup>c</sup>anhū l-baṣaru, (of eyes) not to be able to spot their object:

\*am zāghat <sup>C</sup>anhumu l-abṣāru, Or is it that our eyes are missing them? 38:63.

For another possible meaning, see Kash., 3:333. See also 1.ii above.

- IV. azāgha
  - + OBJ

azāgha llāhu qalbahū, (of God) to cause sb's heart to become crooked/wicked, turn sb's heart away from the truth: 3:8; 61:5.

159. ZYL

II. zayyala

+ PREP [bayna]

zayyala bayna n-nāsi, to split people apart, effect a separation between people: 10:28.

V. tazayyala

VB

tazayyala, to dissociate [from sb], part company [with sb]:

*\*wa law tazayyalū*, Had they [Muslims] dissociated themselves [from disbelievers]: 48:25.

II. zayyana

+ OBJ + PREP [fi]

\*wa zayyanahū fī qulūbikum, And He endeared it [faith/belief] to your hearts: 49:7.

V. tazayyana VB

tazayyanati/izzayyanati l-ardu, (of the earth) to become luxuriant with vegetation: 10:24.

Izzayyanati/izdānati I-ardu bi <sup>c</sup>ushbihā, "(of the earth) to have a lush growth of vegetation." Asās, 280. Lab., 112/20.

Ζā΄

<sup>160.</sup> ZYN

Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:187) remarks that the verse pictures a bride getting herself up: Ju<sup>c</sup>ilati I-ardu ākhidatan zukhrufahā <sup>c</sup>alā t-tamthīli bi I-<sup>c</sup>arūsi idhā akhadhati th-thiyāba I-fākhirata min kulli lawnin fa ktasat'hā wa tazayyanat bi ghayrihā min alwāni z-zayni.

See also 128 (RBW) I, and 394 (HZZ) VIII.

# SĪN

161. S'L

I. sa'ala

**1.** + OBJ

sa'alahū:

i. to ask for sth, request/demand sth:

\*fa inna lakum mā sa'altum, And you shall have what you have asked for: 2:61 [obj und].

Also: 14:34; 60:10.

Ibn <sup>C</sup>Anamah, Ham., 2:585/1: in tas'alū l-ḥaqqa nu<sup>c</sup>ți l-ḥaqqa sā'ilahū, "If you demand your right [and no more], then we shall give to the person who demands it what right-fully belongs to him."

ii. to beg/ask [alms, etc.] of sb:

\*lā yas'alūna n-nāsa ilhāfan, They do not beg of people importunately: 2:273 [n.].

\*yas'aluhū man fī s-samāwāti wa l-ardi, it is to Him that requests/petitions are made by all those who are in the heavens and the earth: 55:29.

Also: 33:53 [fa s'alūhunna].

<sup>C</sup>Abd ibn al-Abras, Qas., 541/18: man yas'ali n-nāsa yahrimūhu/wa sā'ilu llāhi lā yakhībū, "One who begs of people will be denied [what he has begged for] by them; but one who begs of God will not be disappointed." Ziyād ibn Hamal, Ham., 3:1392/9 (with n. 4, ibid., 3:1389): humu lbuḥūru <sup>c</sup>aṭā'an ḥīna tas'aluhum, "It is they whose generosity, when you ask them for something, is ocean-like." 2:273: On the word *ilhāf*, see n. to 340 (*LHF*) IV.

iii. to inquire about sb:

wa lā yas'alu ḥamīmun ḥamīman, And [on the Last Day] fast friends shall not inquire about one another: 70:10.

Kash., 4:138: Ay lā yas'aluhū bi kayfa hāluka wa lā yukallimuhū.

2. + PREP [bā]

sa'ala bihī:

i. to ask for/demand sth urgently/scornfully: 70:1.

Tadmin of ista<sup>c</sup>jala or istahza'a. Tad., 7:564-65. See also n. to ii below.

ii. to make solicitous inquiries about sth:

\*fa s'al bihī khabīran, So present your solicitous inquiries about Him to one who knows [= to God Himself]: 25:59.

Tadmin of i<sup>c</sup>tana. Islahi (Tad., 4:612-13) seems to be right in maintaining that khabir in 25:59 refers to God, the verse suggesting that the best source of information about God is God Himself, and that the indefiniteness of the word implying tafkhim (as in 35:14). But he further says that the bar in the phrase goes with khabir rather than with sa'ala (as is generally held, with the  $b\bar{a}'$  interpreted to mean  $c_{an}$ ; e.g. Mugh., 1:110), for, he argues (ibid., 4:613) that  $b\bar{a}'$  is used with sa'ala only when sa'ala is to carry the tadmin-meaning of istahza'a (or of ista<sup>c</sup>jala [ibid., 7:564-65]), the resulting meaning obviously being inappropriate in 25:59. But while it is difficult to accept the  $b\bar{a}' = can$  solution, which is a little too convenient, Islahi's view that the ba' in 25:59 goes with khabir is not altogether convincing. For while the tadmin of istahza'a or ista<sup>c</sup>jala might be justified in a verse like 70:1 (i, above), it becomes questionable with regard to 25:59, and that for two reasons. First, the construction sa'ala bihi occurs frequently in Classical Arabic, and sometimes in situations where the tadmin of istahza'a would not serve as an adequate explanation (see poetical verses cited below). Second, the "inappropriateness" of the tadmin of istahza'a in 25:95 does not preclude the possibility of some other-"appropriate"-tadmin. Take, for example, the following

verse by Janub (D. al-Hudh., 3:120/[1]), in which she relates how she learnt to her horror that the men of whom she had inquired about her brother turned out to be his killers: sa'altu bi <sup>C</sup>amrin akhī sahbahū/fa afza<sup>c</sup>anī hīna raddū s-su'ālā, "I inguired of those who had been with <sup>C</sup>Amr, my brother, about him, and when they replied, I was shocked." Or this verse by Akhtal (349/41 [Sharh Diwan al-Akhtal at-Taghlibi, ed. Iliyya Salim al-Hawi (Beirut: Dar ath-Thaqafah, Preface 1968)]): da<sup>c</sup>i I-mughammara la tas'al bi masra<sup>c</sup>ihi/wa s'al bi masgalata Ibakriyyi mā fa<sup>c</sup>alā, "Stop asking how al-Mughammar fell; but by all means ask what Masgalah the Bakrite has accomplished." In Akhtal's verse, as in Janub's, it would make perfect sense if sa'ala bihi is construed to have the tadmin of some word like *i<sup>c</sup>tanā* (one of the possibilities suggested by Zamakhshari at 25:59 [Kash., 3:102]). This tadmin would also explain very effectively a verse like Sakhr al-Ghayy's (D. al-Hudh., 2:67/[2]), in which sa'ala bihi is used along with sa'ala canhu, each phrase helping to fix and clarify the meaning of the other; or a verse like CAwf ibn al-Ahwas's (Mufadd., 351/ 11), in which the negative construction, wa lam as'al biha, implies utter lack of concern or interest; or a verse like CAlgamah's, Ahl., 106/8. Islāhī's suggestion of the tadmin of ista<sup>c</sup>jala (as against istahza'a) in 25:59 is more to the point, though we should note, first, that by isticial Islahi seems to mean isti<sup>c</sup>jal marked by istihza', which makes the two tadminwords interchangeable, leaving ista<sup>c</sup> jala open to the same objection as is istahza'a; and, second, that ictana would seem to cover a greater variety of situations than either of the two tadmin-words suggested by Islahi, and, in 25:59 at any rate, would seem to be more suitable. It is, however, possible to combine the interpretation suggested here with Islahi'swithout, of course, taking over his argument for it. This can be done by positing that another prepositional phrase, bihi, is understood after khabir, the complete construction thus being, fa s'al bihi khabiran bihi, in which the first bihi would go with sa'ala and the second with khabir.

3. + OBJ + OBJ

sa'alahū sh-shay'a, to invite sb to do sth:

*\*thumma su'ilū l-fitnata,* And if then they had been asked to engage in mischief: 33:14.

4. + OB] + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

sa'ala sh-shay'a ilā sh-shay'i, to ask/demand that sth be combined with/joined to sth else: \*bi su'āli na<sup>c</sup>jatika ilā ni<sup>c</sup>ājihī, By demanding that your sheep be added to his: 38:24.

Tadmin of damma.

VI. tasā'ala.

1. VB

Sin

tasā'alū, (of people) to ask one another for help: 23:101.

See also 2 below, and 375 (NDW) VI.

2. + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

 $tas\bar{a}'al\bar{u}$  bihī, (of people) to ask one another for help in the name of sb/sth: 4:1.

See also 1 above, and 375 (NDW) VI.

162. SBT

I. sabata

VB

sabata, to keep the Sabbath: 7:163 [twice: sabtihim . . . yasbitūna].

> Sabata means, more precisely, dakhala fi s-sabti, "to enter on the Sabbath." Aq., 1:488; Muf., 221.

> The phrase fi s-sabti also occurs in the verse, but it is not included because the word sabt in it is a substantive.

#### 163. SBQ

I. sabaga

1. VB

sabaga:

i. to give [sb] the slip: 8:59; 29:39 [act pt].

These verses mean that the sinners will not be beyond the reach of God: they will not get the better of God, and God will not fail to catch them. *Kash.*, 2:132; *Tad.*, 3:92. Also, *Maj.*, 1:249; 2:116; *Kash.*, 2:165.

ii. to have been in existence:

sabaqat kalimatu llāhi, (of God's decree/verdict) to have been in existence: 8:68; 10:19; 11:110; 20:129; 37:171; 41:45; 42:14.

2. + OBJ

sabaga ajalah $\overline{u}$ , to do sth before the appointed time:

\*mā tasbiqu min ummatin ajalahā wa mā yasta'khirūna, No people shall meet its fate before the appointed time, nor shall it be dilatory [in meeting it once the time has arrived]: 15:5; 23:43.

3. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bā'; c. lām]

a. \*illā man sabaqa <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-qawlu, Except the ones against whom the decree [of destruction] had already been issued: 11:40; 23:27.

**b.** sabaqa bi *l-khayri*, to be quick/prompt to do good [deeds]: 35:32 [act pt].

c. sabaqa lahū sh-shay'u, (of sth good) to have existed/have been destined for sb:

\*inna lladhīna sabaqat lahum minnā l-husnā, Indeed, those for whom [the promise of a] good [reward] has already been made by Us: 21:101.

See Tad., 4:331. On the use of  $l\bar{a}m$  in this construction, see Aq., 1:492.

4. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]

a. sabaqahū <sup>c</sup>alā l-amri, to defeat/thwart sb in his attempt to do sth:

\*wa mā nahnu bi masbūqīna <sup>c</sup>alā an nubaddila amthālakum, And We do not lack-rather, We do possess--the power to replace you with [other] people like you: 56:60-61.

The preposition cala suggests that the negative construction, wa ma nahnu bi masbūqīna, is to be taken in the positive sense of qadirīn, meaning: We do not lack—rather, We do possess—the power to create again. Tad., 7:175; Kash., 4:60.

**b.** sabaqahū bihī:

i. to do sth before sb else does it:

\**mā sabaqakum bihā min aḥadin mina l-cālamīna,* No one before you has ever done that—no one in all mankind: 7:80; 29:28.

\*alladhīna sabaqūnā bi l-īmāni, Those who became believers before us: 59:10.

Sabaqtahū bi l-kurati, "You hit the ball before he could." Kash., 2:92. Shanfarā, Mufadd., 200/2: wa qad sabaqatnā ummu <sup>C</sup>amrin bi amrihā, "Umm <sup>C</sup>Amr anticipated us [= made a surprise decision to depart]." Muslim ibn al-Walīd, Ham., 2:945/4: salakat bika l-<sup>C</sup>arabu s-sabīla ilā l-<sup>C</sup>ulā/hattā idhā sabaqa r-radā bika hārū, "Under your direction, the Arabs trod the path to glory, until, when death claimed [lit: anticipated them in claiming] you, they stood perplexed."

ii. sabaqahū bi l-qawli, to speak up before sb else can speak: 21:27.

See Kash., 3:9.

164. SHQ

l. saḥiqa/saḥuqa VB

suhqan lahū, May he perish/come to ruin! 67:11.

Kash., 4:123: Ay bu<sup>c</sup>dan lahū; see 23 ( $B^{c}D$ ) I (also, 37 ( $T^{c}S$ ) I). Sahiqa/sahuqa r-rajulu [maşdar: suhqan] "(of a man) to die." Sahaqa (maşdar: sahqan) is used in such expressions as: sahaqahū, "to pulverize sth"; sahaqati r-rīhu l-arda, "(of a strong wind) to strip the surface of the earth and wipe off what is on it"; sahaqa th-thawba, "to cause a garment to become worn." Aq., 1:500.

#### 165. SKhR

II. sakhkhara

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{C}a/\bar{a}$ ]

sakhkhara sh-shay'a <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to inflict/impose sth upon sb: 69:7.

Tadmin of sallata.

#### 166. SRR

'IV. asarra

+ PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$  + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

asarra ilayhi bi l-mawaddati, to cultivate sb's friendship secretly: 60:1.

167. SR<sup>C</sup>

III. sāra<sup>c</sup>a

**1.** + PREP [a.  $f\bar{i}$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

a. sāra<sup>c</sup>a fīhī:

i. to try to do/achieve/promote sth earnestly:

sāra<sup>c</sup>a fī l-khayri, to make an earnest attempt to do good deeds: 3:114 [n.]; 21:90.

sāra<sup>c</sup>a fī l-kufri, to serve the cause of disbelief assiduously: 3:176 [n.]; 5:41.

Also: 5:62; 23:61 [n.].

3:114: Kash., 1:211: Al-musāra<sup>c</sup>atu fī l-khayri: fartu rraghbati fīhi, li anna man raghiba fī l-amri sāra<sup>c</sup>a fī tawallīhi wa l-qiyāmi bihī wa āthara l-fawra <sup>c</sup>alā t-tarākhī.

3:176: Kash., 1:232: Yusāri<sup>c</sup>ūna fī l-kufri: yaqa<sup>c</sup>ūna fīhā sarī<sup>c</sup>an wa yarghabūna fīhi ashadda raghbatan. 23:61: Kash., 3:50.

ii. sāra<sup>c</sup>a fī l-qawmi, to try to secure the friendship/goodwill of a people: 5:52.

Kash., 1:344: Yusāri<sup>c</sup>ūna fihim: yankamishūna fī muwālātihim wa yarghabūna fihā.

**b.**  $s\bar{a}ra^{C}\bar{u}$  *ilā* sh-shay'i, (of people) to try to outdo one another in reaching/attaining sth: 3:133.

**2.** + PREP [lam] + PREP [fi]

sāra<sup>c</sup>a lahū fī l-amri, to endeavor to do sth for sb's sake:

\*nusāri<sup>c</sup>u lāhumu fī l-khayrāti, [Do they think that] We are in a hurry/eager/anxious to provide them with good things? 23:56.

# 168. SRF

IV. asrafa

+ PREP [a. *cala*; b. *fi*]

a. asrafa <sup>c</sup>alā nafsihī, to do oneself great wrong: 39:53.

b. asrafa fi l-amri, to go to extremes in doing sth:

\*wa isrāfanā fī amrinā, And [forgive us] the excesses we have committed in our affairs: 3:147.

asrafa fi l-ardi, to commit excesses [= cause corruption] in the land: 5:32 [act pt].

\*fa lā yusrif fi l-qatli, So let him not overstep the limits in killing [= in taking revenge]: 17:33 [n.].

Kash., 2:360; 3:351.

Qays ibn <sup>c</sup>Ayzārah, D. al-Hudh., 3:76/[3]: wa  $q\bar{a}l\bar{u}$ <sup>c</sup>aduwwun musrifun fī dimā'ikum, "And they remarked [about me], '[He is] an enemy of yours, one who has shed the blood of too many of your people.'"

17:33: See Muf., 231.

169. SRQ

VIII. istaraga

istaraga s-sam<sup>c</sup>a, to eavesdrop: 15:18.

170. SCY

I. sa<sup>c</sup>ā

1. VB

sa<sup>c</sup>ā: 37:102: see 32 BLGh 1.2.i(d).

**2.** + PREP  $[a. il\bar{a}; b. fi]$ 

**a.**  $sa^{C}\tilde{a}$  ilayhi, to go/set about sth earnestly, take earnest steps toward sth:

\*fa s<sup>C</sup>aw ilā dhikri llāhi, Prepare yourselves diligently for the remembrance of God [= for the prayer]: 62:9.

Maj., 2:258; Tad., 7:385. The verse combines the literal and the metaphorical meanings of  $sa^c\bar{a}$ : "to move" and "to endeavor." It is saying: upon hearing the call to the Friday prayer, start preparing for the prayer in earnest and then proceed to the mosque.

**b.**  $sa^{C}\bar{a}$  fini, to make an earnest attempt to do sth, give one's diligent attention to [doing] sth:

<sup>+</sup> OBJ

\*wa sa<sup>c</sup>ā fī kharābihī, And [he] who strives to destroy them [places of worship]: 2:114.

\*wa lladhīna sa<sup>c</sup>aw fī āyātinā mu<sup>c</sup>ājizīna, And those who attempt to defeat/worst Our signs: 22:51; 34:5.

Also: 34:38.

171. SFR

IV. asfara.

VB

*i. asfara ș-șubhu*, (of morning) to become bright and clear: 74:34.
 *ii. asfara wajhuhū*, (of sb's face) to brighten up: 80:38 [act pt].

Kash., 4:187; Tad., 8:212. Ham., 4:1575/2 (with n. 3, ibid.): a yusfiru wajhī annahū awwalu l-qirā, "[Ask the benighted guest] whether [or not upon his arrival] my face beams with pleasure, this pleasure being only the initial act of hospitality [on my part]."

Cf. 33 (BYD) IX.i.

172. SFK

I. safaka

+ OBJ

safaka d-dama, to shed blood: 2:30, 84.

Qays, 28/13; <sup>C</sup>Ant., 90/[5], 102/[5]. See also 41 (*ThKhN*) IV.

173. SFH

III. sāfaķa

VB

sāfaḥa r-rajulu/sāfaḥati l-mar'atu, (of a man/woman) to fornicate, be incontinent:

\*ghayra musāfiḥīna, Not [in order to live] in a state of licentiousness: 4:24; 5:5.

Also: 4:25.

Kash., 1:262 (on 4:24): Al-musāfih: az-zānī—mina s-safhi, wa huwa şabbu l-maniyyi; wa ka'anna l-fājira yaqūlu li l-fājirati sāfihīnī.... Also, Tad., 1:298. Cf. 65 (HSN) IV.1 and 2.ii(c).

- 174. SFH
  - I. safiha
    - + OBJ

safiha nafsahū, to make a fool of oneself: 2:130.

Safiha is usually used intransitively, but sometimes (as in this verse) transitively. Tad., 1:298. For the several different ways of accounting for the construction, see Aq., 1:523; Kash., 1:95. Also, Maj., 1:56; Muf., 234; <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:63-64.

- 175. SQT
  - I. sagata
  - 1. + PREP [fi]

saqața fi l-fitnati, to become involved/implicated in mischief: 9:49.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [fi]

sugita fi yadihi, to be shocked into reality: 7:149.

Islāhī writes: "This is an idiom, and it is usually interpreted to mean 'to be embarrassed/ashamed.' Since, however, a necessary result of embarrassment is to realize one's mistake, it would not be wrong to render the idiom as 'to realize/be warned.' What is the origin of this idiom? Philologists differ on the question, and naturally so, for to discover the origin of each and every idiom is a very difficult task indeed. I sometimes think that the dropping of a thing into a person's hand [which is the literal meaning of the idiom] implies that the thing in question presents itself to him in its true form; in that event, even a fool is shocked into reality." Tad., 2:742. Cf. Maj., 1:228; Asās, 300; Kash., 2:94; Aq., 1:524. Cf. dukhila fī jismihī/Caqlihī, "to develop a physical/mental impairment" (Aq., 1:323 [DKhL]), and also the English expression, "to be borne in on sb."

#### 176. SKT

I. sakata

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>an]

\*wa lammā sakata <sup>c</sup>an mūsā l-ghadabu, When Moses fell silent and his anger subsided: 7:154.

<sup>C</sup>An suggests the tadmin of zāla (Tad., 2:745), the complete underlying construction being: wa lammā sakata mūsā wa zāla <sup>C</sup>anhu l-ghadabu. Cf. Maj., 1:229; Asās, 302; Kash., 2:96; Muf., 236; Aq., 1:527.

177. SKN

I. sakana

+ PREP [*ilā*]

sakana ilayhī, to find peace and comfort in sth: \*li yaskuna ilayhā, So that he may find comfort in her: 7:189 Also: 30:21.

Asas, 304. Tadmin of itma'anna. See Kash., 2:136.

178. SLKh

I. salakha

+ OBJ + PREP [min]

salakha llāhu n-nahāra mina l-layli, (of God) to draw out/extract day from night: 36:37.

See n. to VII.2 below.

VII. insalakha

**1.** VB

insalakha sh-shahru, (of a month) to pass: 9:5.

See n. to 2 below.

2. + PREP [min]

insalakha mina sh-shay'i, to worm one's way out of sth: 7:175.

Salakhati/insalakhati l-ḥayyatu, "(of a snake) to slough its skin"; salakha sh-shāta, "to flay a sheep." Asās, 304; Aq., 1:531. Insalakha r-rajulu min thiyābihī, "to take off one's clothes." Ibid. The image in 1, above, is that of a month coming out of the "shell" of the year and changing into a new month (1, above, is similar), just as a snake comes out of its old skin and acquires a new one. The image in 2 is that of a man breaking loose from the "fold" of God's āyāt ("verses, signs").

#### 179. SLF

I. salafa

VB

mā salafa, That which is in the past, that which once was:

\*fa lahū mā salafa, Then that which is in the past [= the usury he received in the past] is his [= he shall not be called to account for it]: 2:275.

*\*illā mā qad salafa,* Except [= excepted from the application of this ruling are] the cases of the past: 4:22, 23.

\**Cafā llāhu <sup>c</sup>ammā salafa,* God has given His forgiveness for what took place in the past: 5:95.

Also: 8:38.

IV. aslafa

+ OBJ

aslafa l-<sup>c</sup>amala, to leave behind [good/bad] deeds: 10:30 [obj und]; 69:24 [obj und].

#### 180. SLQ

#### I. salaga

+ OB] + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

salaqahū bi lisānihī, to say cutting words to sb: 33:19.

Salaqa I-laḥma <sup>C</sup>ani I-<sup>C</sup>azmi, "to scrape meat from a bone"; salaqa I-bardu n-nabāta, "(of cold weather) to kill plants"; salaqa fulānan bi s-sawti, "to whip sb, stripping his skin." Aq., 1:534. Also, Asās, 305. Cf. Hāt., 230/5: fa lā taj<sup>C</sup>alī fawqī lisānaki mibradā, "So, do not [O reproachful woman] use your file of a tongue on me [= do not castigate me]." The Qur'ānic phrase at once implies glibness and sharpness: the people in question are glib talkers and have sharp tongues. Tad., 6:204.

## 181. SLK

I. salaka

**1.** + OBJ

salaka r-rașada, to post sentries:

\*fa innahū yasluku min bayni yadayhi wa min khalfihī rasadan, He posts guards in front of him and behind him: 72:27.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[f\bar{i}]$ 

i. to thread sth [e.g. a design] into sth:

\*wa salaka lakum fihā subulan, And He threaded it [earth] with paths for you: 20:53.

ii. pass/run sth through sth:

\*kadhālika naslukuhū fī qulūbi l-mujrimīna, This is how We plunge it into/run it through/pass it through the criminals' hearts: 15:12.

Also: 26:200.

The verb salaka is used of threading a needle (salaka lkhayta fī l-ibrata [Aq., 1:535]), and its use in the two verses possibly implies that the criminals are hurt by the Quranic message—as if needles are being passed through their bodies. Cf. salaka s-sināna fī l-mat<sup>C</sup>ūni, "to plunge a spear into sb." Asās, 305.

## 182. SLM

IV. aslama

+ OBJ + PREP [a.  $il\bar{a}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. aslama wajhahū ilā llāhi, to turn toward God in submission: 31:22.

Tadmin of asgha. See n. to b below.

**b.** aslama wajhahū li llāhi, to bow before God in true submission: 2:112: 3:20; 4:125.

a and b both mean literally: to surrender one's face to God. Işlāhī (*Tad.*, 1:655) remarks: "The face is the most prestigious part of the human body. To surrender one's face,' therefore, is to surrender all of one's being." Kash., 1:88 (on 2:112): Man aslama wajhahū li Ilāhi: man akhlasa nafsahū li Ilāhi lā yushriku bihī ghayrahū. Also, ibid., 1:181, 300.

Explaining the difference between aslama lahu and aslama ilayhi, Islahi (Tad., 5:138) says: The former implies turning to someone in true submission, whereas the latter implies turning to someone in submission, whether this submission is true and sincere or not. Aslama wajhahū in 31:22 (a) is followed by the proviso, wa huwa muhsinun, which, according to Islahi, gives to it the sense of "to turn to sb in true submission." In other words, aslama ilayhi + ahsana = aslama lahū. (Cf. the difference between istama<sup>c</sup>a ilayhi and istama<sup>c</sup>a lahū [see n. to 183 (SM<sup>c</sup>) VIII.c].) The difference stated by Islahi (cf. Kash., 3:215) between a and b may also be expressed by saying that a contains the tadmin of asgha or tawajjaha, b that of adh<sup>c</sup>ana or akhlasa. There is a problem, however: 2:112 and 4:125 (b) have aslama lahu and wa huwa muhsinun both. The answer may be that wa huwa muhsinun in these verses only restates one of the componential meanings of aslama lahū.

#### 183. SM<sup>C</sup>

I. sami<sup>c</sup>a

1. VB

i. \*isma<sup>C</sup>: 4:46: see 2.i below.

ii. \*sami<sup>c</sup>nā wa ata<sup>c</sup>nā, We hear and and we obey: 2:285; 4:46; 5:7; 24:51.

In this phrase, the word  $sami^{C}n\bar{a}$  implies accepting something with all one's heart, whereas  $ata^{C}n\bar{a}$  signifies submission in practical conduct." Tad., 1:605. Also, ibid., 2:81.

iii. \*sami<sup>c</sup>nā wa <sup>c</sup>asaynā, We hear, but we disobey: 2:93; 4:46.

i is an expression of submission, and ii, a parody of it, an expression of defiance.

- 2. + OBI
  - sami<sup>c</sup>ahū:

i. 4:46: *Isma<sup>C</sup> ghayra musma<sup>C</sup>in* is an expression of admiration and means: Listen to this wonderful talk/speech, which has not been heard before! But, intoned in a certain way, it could be made to mean—and was made to mean by certain opponents of Islam when they addressed the Prophet: Listen to this strange/odd statement, one that has never been made before! Because of the possibility of misuse,

the Qur'an prohibited the use of the expression. Instead, it suggested using  $isma^{C}$  ("Listen!"; see 1 above), omitting ghayra musma<sup>C</sup>in, the part that could be misused.  $Isma^{C}$ , in other words, became the equivalent of  $isma^{C}$  ghayra musma<sup>C</sup>in in the positive sense.

Following Işlāhī (Tad., 2:82). See also Kash., 1:271-72. Cf. also the Quranic prohibition of the use of  $r\bar{a}^{c}in\bar{a}$  138 ( $R^{c}Y$ ) III, and (383 (NZR) i.1.ii(a)).

ii. to [listen to and] give credence to sth:

\*samma<sup>C</sup>ūna li  $\bar{l}$ -kadhib, [They are] fond of lies [= readily accept/believe false statements]: 5:42.

The  $l\bar{a}m$  in lahum in the verse is for  $id\bar{a}fah$  (Tad., 2:294). In other words, samm $\bar{a}^{c}\bar{u}na$  li l-kadhibi = samm $\bar{a}^{c}\bar{u}$  lkadhibi—sami<sup>c</sup>ah $\bar{u}$  thus being the skeletal construction. Cf. samm $\bar{a}^{c}\bar{u}na$  lahum in 9:47 (3, below).

3. + PREP [*lām*]

sami<sup>c</sup>a lahū, to listen to/obey sb:

\*wa fikum sammā<sup>c</sup>ūna lahum, And in your midst/among your ranks are people who listen to them/obey them [= your opponents]: 9:47.

Sami<sup>c</sup>a lahū: atā<sup>c</sup>ahū. Aq., 1:541. Kash., 2:155: . . . aw fīkum qawmun yasma<sup>c</sup>ūna li l-munāfiqīna wa yutī<sup>c</sup>ūnahum. In other words, the lām in lahum is taken to imply a tadmīn of some word like adh<sup>c</sup>ana or inqada (cf. 2.ii, above [see also n. to it). It is, however, possible to take the lām in the verse, which contains an active participle (sammā<sup>c</sup>ūna lahum), as one of idāfah, making sammā<sup>c</sup>ūna lahum equivalent to sam mā<sup>c</sup>ūhum ("their informers"). In Zamakhsharī's words (Kash., 2:155): Ay nammāmūna yasma<sup>c</sup>ūna hadīthakum fa yanqulūnahū ilayhim.

IV. a's ma<sup>C</sup>a

+ PREP [ba]

\*wa asmi<sup>C</sup>, And how well He hears! 18:26 [prep phr und; n.]. \*asmi<sup>C</sup> bihim, How well they hear! 19:38 [n.].

 $Af^{c}il$  bihī is one of the two patterns of  $af^{c}al$  at-ta<sup>c</sup>ajjub in Arabic.

18:26: See also 20 (BSR) IV (absir bihi).

19:38: The use in this verse is ironic. See also 24 BSR IV (wa absir).

V. tasamma<sup>c</sup>a

+ PREP [*ila*]

tasamma<sup>c</sup>a ilayhi, to try to hear sb/sth:

\*lā yassamma<sup>c</sup>ūna ilā l-mala'i l-a<sup>c</sup>lā, They are unable to hear [the proceedings of] the High Council [in the heavens]: 37:8.

Tadmin of asghā. The Arabic construction is apparently an unusual one, since  $tasamma^{C}a$ , a Form V verb, connotes effort, and the verse seems to be saying that satans do not make an effort to get news of what goes on in the heavens something that is contrary to what the Quran tells us about the eavesdropping satanic host. But, as Islāhī explains (Tad., 5:452-53), negation of the act of listening here actually implies negation of the *intended effect* of the act (nafy al-fi<sup>C</sup>I = nafy fa'idat al-fi<sup>C</sup>I [cf. 282 (FTH) II, n.]). In other words, the satanic host do try to listen in, but do not succeed. Cf. Kash., 3:297.

# VIII. istama<sup>c</sup>a

+ PREP [a.  $b\bar{a}'$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ; c.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. istama<sup>c</sup>a bihī, to listen with mock interest: 17:47.

Tadmin of istahza'a. See Kash., 2:452; Tad., 3:753.

b. istama<sup>c</sup>a ilayhi, to lend an ear to sb: 6:25; 10:42; 17:47; 47:16.

Tadmin of asgha. See n. at c.

c. istama<sup>c</sup>a lahū, to listen to sb carefully: 7:204; 20:13; 22:73.

As against *istama<sup>c</sup>a ilayhi* (b, above), which implies listening with interest that may or may not be genuine, *istama<sup>c</sup>a lahū* implies listening with genuine interest. Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, *Mufadd.*, 404/80: waritha *l*-bighdata <sup>c</sup>an ābā'ihī/hāfizu *l*-<sup>c</sup>aqli li mā kāna stama<sup>c</sup>, "He has inherited hostility Itoward me] from his ancestors: he has remembered quite well what he used to hear [them say]." See also Ka<sup>c</sup>b ibn Sa<sup>c</sup>d al-Ghanawī, Aṣm., 75/19, where, too, the use of *istama<sup>c</sup>a lahū* is entirely appropriate. (Cf. the difference between aslama lahū and aslama ilayhi [182 (SLM) IV.b, n.).

#### 184. SW

I. sā'a

**1.** + OBJ

sā'a wajhahū, to disfugure sb's face: 17:7.

\*sī'at wujūhu lladhīna kafarū, The faces of those who have disbelieved will be disfigured: 67:27.

Kash., 2:352.

2. + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

sī'a bihī, to grieve/feel distressed on account of sb/sth: 11:77; 29:33.

Nāb., 138/12: fa in kunta mra'an qad su'ta zannan/bi <sup>c</sup>abdika wa l-khutūbu ilā tabālī, "If you have come to think ill of me/to harbor suspicions about me, and if matters are to be [as in principle they ought to be] investigated, [then you, too, should inquire into the matter before taking action against me]."

185. SWD

IX. iswadda

VB

iswadda wajhuh $\bar{u}$ , (of one's face) to lose color/become pale/turn dark [from sorrow, humiliation, etc.]: 3:106 [twice]; 16:58 [act pt; n.]; 39:60 [act pt]; 43:17 [act pt; n.].

16:58 and 43:17: Note the play upon *zalla* and *iswadda*. Cf. 33 (*BYD*) IX.i, and 171 (*SFR*) IV.ii.

## 186. SWL

II. sawwala

1. + PREP [*lam*]

sawwala lahū, to tempt/induce sb [to do sth]:

\*wa kadhālika sawwalat lī nafsī, And this is how my soul enticed me: 20:96.

\*ash-shaytānu sawwala lahum, Satan has deluded them [into it]: 47:25.

2. + OBJ + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

sawwala lahū l-amra, to talk/trick sb into sth:

\*sawwalat lakum anfusukum amran, Your souls have duped you into holding [such] a belief: 12:18, 83.

Maj., 2:26; Asās, 314; Kash., 2:246; 3:458. Cf. 237 (TW<sup>C</sup>) II.

187. SWY

II. sawwā

**1.** OBJ

\*fa sawwāhā, And He wiped them/it out: 91:14.

Abbreviated form of 2, below.

The object pronoun in sawwāhā in the verse may have the Thamūd or the land of the Thamūd as its antecedent. Tad., 8:394.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

i. sawwahu bi fulanin, to put sb on the same level as/give sb the same status as sb else:

\*(idh nusawwikum bi rabbi l-<sup>c</sup>ālamina,) When we used to declare you equal in status to the Lord of the universe: 26:98.

ii. sawwa llahu bihimu l-arda, (of God) to level the earth with a people [thus destroying them completely]: 4:42.

Kash., 1:269. Cf. 85 (KhSF), 1.2.

III. sāwā

+ PREP [bayna]

sāwā bayna sh-shay'ayni, to fill up the gap/space between two things:

\*hattā idhā sāwā bayna s-sadafayni, Until, when he had closed up the space/gap between the two sides [= mountain-sides]: 18:96.

VIII. istawā

1. VB

istawa, to become fully mature: 28:14.

Istawā signifies reaching intellectual and emotional maturity. Tad., 4:794. The word is used of a person who has reached middle age. Asās, 315; Aq., 1:560. Also, Maj., 2:99. Kash., 3:159: Istawā: i<sup>c</sup>tadala wa tamma stiḥkāmuhū wa balagha I-mablagha Iladhī lā yuzādu <sup>c</sup>alayhi. Cf. 27 (BLCh) 1.2.i(b)(ii).

**2.** + PREP [a.  $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

**a.** istawā <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to occupy a place/position:

istawā Ilāhu <sup>c</sup>alā l-<sup>c</sup>arshi, (of God) to occupy the Throne, to exercise sovereign power: 7:54; 10:3; 13:2; 20:5; 25:59; 32:4; 57:4.

Istawā Ilāhu <sup>C</sup>alā l-<sup>C</sup>arshi, like istawā <sup>C</sup>alā sarīri l-maliki ("to ascend the royal throne"), does not necessarily imply the physical act of sitting on the throne, but simply the assumption of control or power. Kash., 2:427; Aq., 1:560.

\*wa stawat <sup>c</sup>alā l-jūdiyyi, And it [Noah's Ark] settled/came to rest on/atop Mount Jūdī: 11:44.

\*fa idhā stawayta anta wa man ma<sup>c</sup>aka <sup>c</sup>alā l-fulki, Then, when you and your companions go on to the ship/are on board: 23:28.

\*li tastawū calā zuhūrihā thumma tadhkurū nicmata rabbikum idhā stawaytum calayhi, in order that you may be seated on their backs and, when you are seated on them, remember the blessing of your Lord: 43:13 [n.].

Asās, 315.

43:13: On the question of the appropriateness of the word zuhūr for ships as well for animals, see Tad., 6:212.

ii. istawā n-nabātu <sup>c</sup>alā sūqihī, (of a plant) to become strong and erect [lit: to rise on its stalk]: 48:29.

**b.** *istawā ilayhi*, to turn toward sth, direct one's attention to sth: 2:29: 41:11.

Istawā ilayhi carries the meaning: to turn one's attention to something without allowing any interference or interruption—the image coming from an arrow that flies straight to its target (Kash., 1:61; also, ibid., 3:385). The preposition ilā suggests the tadmīn of some word like tawajjaha. Tad., 1:100; also, Kash., 3:385.

# SHĪN

188. ShBH

VI. tashābaha

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

tashābaha <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-shay'āni, to be unable to distinguish between two things on account of their similarity to each other:

\*inna I-baqara tashābaha <sup>c</sup>alaynā, The cows look quite the same to us: 2:70.

\*am ja<sup>c</sup>alū li llāhi shurakā'a khalaqū ka khalqihī fa tashābaha lkhalqu <sup>c</sup>alayhim, Or is it the case that they have set up as rivals of God those who have created the way He has, so that they are mixed up about the [issue of] creation? 13:16.

#### 189. ShJR

I. shajara

+ PREP [bayna]

shajara baynahumu l-amru, (of sth) to become a subject of dispute among people, (of people) be divided/split on an issue:

*\*fi ma shajara baynahum,* On matters of dispute among them: 4:65.

Aq., 1:571; Kash., 1:278.

# 190. ShHH

l.shaḥḥa

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

shaḥḥa <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to be stingy/niggardly toward sb:

\*ashihhatan <sup>c</sup>alaykum, Being stingy/niggardly toward you: 33:19 [n. to ii below].

A<sup>c</sup>shā, 279/48.

ii. to be greedy for sth:

\*ashiḥḥatan <sup>c</sup>alā l-khayri, Being greedy for wealth [= spoils]: 33:19.

As Islahi says, shahih has two meanings, "niggardly," and "greedy." In i, above, it has the first of the two meanings, in ii, the second. 33:19 is thus saying that the Hypocrites, unlike the true believers, are unwilling to make any sacrifices in defending Madinah (ashihhatan <sup>c</sup>alaykum), but, since their only motive in participating in a battle is to acquire booty, therefore if an opportunity of obtaining spoils presents itself, they would jump at it (ashihhatan Cala I-khayri). Tad., 5:205. In the following line by Zuhayr, the word shahih could be interpreted as "stingy" and "greedy" simultaneously: wa lā shaḥīḥin idhā aṣḥābuhū ghanimū, "And he is not shaḥīḥ when his friends obtain booty," i.e. he does not covet their share, and he is not stingy with his own" (cf. the use of danin calayh in 81:24 [see 225 (DNN) I, n.]) The following verse by Nābighah (227/3) carries meaning ii: wa hjurhumū hajra s-sadīqi sadīqahū/ḥattā tulāqiyahum <sup>c</sup>alayka shiḥāḥā, "And leave them as a friend would leave a friend, until, upon meeting them, you find that they are [once again] eager to see you."

# 191. ShKhŞ

I. shakhaşa VB

shakhasa basaruhū, to stare/gaze [as a result of fear, etc.]:

\*innamā yu'akhkhiruhum li yawmin tashkhasu fīhi l-absāru, He is only giving them a respite until the day on which eyes will look on [in a state of shock]: 14:42.

## Also: 21:97 [act pt].

Shakhaşa başaru l-mayyiti, "(of a dead man's eyes) to become glazed." Asās, 323. Also Aq., 1:576. Shakhaşa n-najmu, "(of a star) to rise." Ibid. Al-Marrār ibn Munqidh, Mufadd., 150/37: wa hwa yaflī shu<sup>c</sup>than a<sup>c</sup>rāfuhā/shukhuşa l-abṣāri li lwaḥshi nuẓur, "And he [wild ass] was hitting/bruising them [she-asses] [and the latter were doing the same to him]—the hair on their necks was matted and, with their eyes raised, they were [wistfully] looking at [the other] wild animals [whom they wished to join but were being prevented by the ass from joining.]" Also, Ibn Muq., 177/35.

# 192. ShDD

I. shadda

1. + OB]

shaddahū, to strengthen/fortify/fasten sth:

i. shadda llāhu asrahū, (of God) to make sb strong of physique/ constitution:

\*nahnu khalaqnāhum wa shadadnā asrahum, It is We who created them and made them strong and sturdy: 76:28.

Asās, 16 ('SR); Muf., 18 ('SR); Kash., 4:172; Tad., 8:120. Shadīd al-asr, "strong of physique/constitution," as in Aws ibn Ghalfā' al-Hujaymī, Mufaḍḍ., 756/2; also, Lab., 187/45, and Qays, 130/9.

ii. shadda llāhu mulkahū, (of God) to establish sb's rule on a firm foundation:

\*wa shadadnā mulkahū, And We fortified his [David's] rule: 38:20.

Aq., 1:577.

iii. shadda azrahū, to provide support to sb:

\*wa shdud bihī azrī, And strengthen me by means of him [Aaron]: 20:31.

Asās, 16 ('SR); Aq., 1:10 ('SR); Maj., 2:18. Ham., 3:1170/[1]: tathāqaltu illā <sup>c</sup>an yadin astafīduhā/wa khullati dhī wuddin ashuddu bihī azrī, "I hold back [= am reluctant to ask for/ accept help], except when I can benefit from [a noble man's] generosity or the friendship of a loving friend I might take strength from." Hass., 390/[1]:  $nasar\bar{u}$  nabiyyahum $\bar{u}$  wa shad $d\bar{u}$  azrah $\bar{u}$ , "They gave aid and support to their Prophet." Also, <sup>C</sup>Amr ibn al-Husayn, D. al-Khaw., 141/7. See also n. to iv below.

iv. shadda <sup>c</sup>adudahū, to provide support to sb:

\*sa nashuddu <sup>c</sup>adudaka bi akhīka. We shall strengthen you by means of your brother: 28:35.

> Asas, 423-24; Ag., 577; Maj., 104; Kash., 3:166. iii and iv have essentially the same meaning, but the image in each is different, making for a subtle difference in meaning. In the former it is the "back" (azr) that is strengthened, in the latter it is the "arm" (<sup>c</sup>adud). in other words, the latter is like providing more "muscle," while the former is like providing "backing." As such, shadda azrahū suggests furnishing A with reinforcement through B in a situation where the brunt of the task will be borne by A but B, who will be standing by-at A's "back"—may be called upon to help when necessary. Shad $da \ cadudah\bar{u}$ , on the other hand, suggests providing A with reinforcement through B in a situation where B will be an active partner to A throughout, thus making A's work considerably lighter. If this analysis is correct, then the Qur'anic use of each of the two idioms would be contextually significant: Moses, conscious that the chief responsibility for carrying out the mission is his, humbly prays: wa shdud bihi azri; his prayer is more than answered with: sa nashuddu <sup>c</sup>adudaka bi akhika. (Although sa nashuddu <sup>c</sup>adudaka bi akhīka occurs in a different sūrah than ushdud bihī azrī, the former is obviously a response to the latter.)

v. shadda l-wathaqa, to bind [sb] firmly/hand and foot: 47:4.

**2.** + PREP [ $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ]

shadda <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. (of sth) to be difficult for sb to control/manage:

\*ashiddā'u <sup>c</sup>alā l-kuffāri, They are difficult for the disbelievers [to take advantage of]: 48:29.

\*ayyuhum ashaddu <sup>c</sup>alā r-raḥmāni <sup>c</sup>itiyyan, Those of them who have been the most stubborn in their opposition to the Compassionate One: 19:69.

> 48:29, as islahi says, does not mean that Muslims ought to be harsh toward non-Muslims, but that they cannot be taken

advantage of by the latter, that they are a "hard nut to crack" (cf. abiyyun cala, as in Sacd ibn Nashib, Ham., 2:665/4). Islahi cites the following verse (by al-Ma<sup>C</sup>lut as-Sa<sup>C</sup>di al-Quray<sup>C</sup>i, in Ham., 3:1148/3 [see also n. 3, ibid.]) in support of his interpretation: Idha I-mar'u aCyat'hū I-murū'atu nāshi'an/fa matlabuhā kahlan <sup>c</sup>alayhi shadīdū, "When a man fails to achieve [the ideal of] muru'ah ['manliness'] in the prime of his life, it becomes very difficult for him to achieve it at an advanced age." Tad., 2:318; 6:471-72. Shadda <sup>c</sup>alayhi does also mean "to be rough/harsh toward sb"-shadda cala I-caduwwi, for example, meaning "to attack the enemy" (Aq., 577; Asās, 323-324; for a verse containing shadda <sup>C</sup>alayhi with this meaning, see D. al-Hudh., 2:40/[3]), and whether it will have the one or the other meaning in a given case will depend on the context. In the case of 48:29, Islahi's interpretation seems to be correct. Ishtadda <sup>c</sup>alayhi in <sup>c</sup>Amr, 74/9, certainly has this meaning, as, probably, does shadidun <sup>c</sup>alayhi in the following line by Khansa', 84/[5]: ashadda cala surufi d-dahri aydan, "[I have not seen a man who was] tougher on the calamities of life [= one whom the calamities of life found so difficult to break"] (cf. Zuh., 320/[3], and Acsha, 295/3).

19:69 (on the construction, see Kash., 2:419), too, has the sense of "to be difficult for sb to take advantage of," but here the tone is ironical and sarcastic, so that the verse implies: Those who, in their earthly life, prided themselves on being the diehard opponents of God and thought that they had frustrated the Prophet's attempts to guide them.

See also 255 (<sup>C</sup>ZZ) I, and cf. 123 (DhLL) I.

ii. shadda llāhu <sup>c</sup>alā galbihī, (of God) to seal off sb's heart:

\*wa shdud <sup>c</sup>alā qulūbihim, And seal off their hearts [against guidance]: 10:88.

Kash., 2:201. Cf. 79 (KhTM) I, and 228 (TB<sup>C</sup>) I.

VIII. ishtadda

+ PREP [bā]

ishtadda r-rīhu bi sh-shay'i, (of wind) to blow sth about:

\*ka ramādini shtaddat bihī r-rīņu fī yawmin <sup>c</sup>āşifin, Like ashes that are being blown about by the wind on a stormy day: 14:18.

> The verse means that the actions of certain people will be of no avail of them.

Cf. al-Muthaqqib al-CAbdi, Mufadd., 572/2.

Shīn

## 193. ShRB

I. shariba

VB

shariba shurba *l-hīmi*, to drink like thristy camels [= not to be able to quench one's thirst]: 56:55 [act pt].

Kash., 4:59; Tad., 7:172.

IV. ashraba

+ OBJ

\*wa ushribū fī qulūbihimu l-<sup>c</sup>ijla, And their hearts were filled with [love of] the calf: 2:93.

Ushriba fulānun hubba fulānin, "to be dearly in love with sb." Aq., 1:579. Shariba mā ulqiya <sup>c</sup>alayhi, "He absorbed [= comprehended] what he was presented with." Asās, 325. Also, Muf., 257; Kash., 1:82.

#### 194. ShRH

1. sharaha

**1.** + OBJ

sharaḥa llāhu ṣadrahū, (of God) to set sb's mind at ease [with regard to sth]/make sb content [in sth], removing one's doubts/ apprehensions:

\*rabbi shrah li sadri, My Lord, set my mind at ease: 20:25.

\*a lam nashrah laka sadraka, Did We not set your mind at ease for you? 94:1.

Cf. Kash., 4:220-21. The lām in the two verses is for *ikhtiṣās*, and is discounted in categorizing the verse. Cf. 227 (DYQ) 1.1.i.

2. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $b\bar{a}'$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

**a.** \*man sharaḥa bi l-kufri ṣadran, He who becomes content in disbelief [lit: he who opens up his heart in a state of disbelief]: 16:106.

Aq., 1:581: Sharaha şadrahū bi sh-shay'illi sh-shay'i: sarrahū bihī wa tayyaba bihī nafsahū, ka'annahū awsa<sup>c</sup>a min şadrihī wa fasaha lahū fī mutanaffasihī. Also Kash., 2:435. **b.** sharaha Ilāhu sadrahū li sh-shay'i, (of God) to dispose sb to accept sth:

\*yashrah şadrahū li l-islāmi, He makes his heart warmly receptive to Islam: 6:125.

Also: 39:22.

Kash., 2:38.

# 195. ShRD

II. sharrada

+ OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

In 8:57, sharrid bihim man khalfahum means: Inflict a crushing defeat on these people so that it serves as a lesson to those who have intentions of fighting with you next. The translation would be: Put to rout, by means of these, those who are behind them.

Kash., 2:132. In the following verse by  $A^{C}sh\bar{a}$  (293/51), arā bihā is, in construction and meaning, quite similar to sharrid bihim man khalfahum in 8:57: wa <sup>C</sup>alimtu anna llāha <sup>C</sup>am-/dan hassahā wa arā bihā, "And I realized that God had destroyed them of set purpose, making an example of them [lit: showed (others) by means of them]."

#### 196. ShRY

l. sharā

1. + OBI

sharā nafsahū, to use one's best efforts [lit: to sell one's soul/ being]:

\*wa mina n-nāsi man yashrī nafsahū btighā'a marḍāti llāhi, And there are, among men, those who exert themselves to the utmost, seeking the pleasure of God: 2:207.

> Kash., 1:127; Tad., 1:453. Cf.  $b\bar{a}^{c}a$  nafsah $\bar{u}$ , as in <sup>C</sup>Ant., 72/ [8], and badhala nafsah $\bar{u}$ , as in Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 27/[2].

2. + OBJ + PREP [bā'] sharāhu bi kadhā:

i. to sell sth for a price:

\*wa sharawhu bi thamanin bakhsin, And they sold him [Joseph] for a paltry price: 12:20.

ii. to give sth away in exchange for another:

\*wa la bi'sa mā sharaw bihī anfusahum, What a bad thing it is they gave away their souls for! 2:102.

\*alladhīna yashrūna l-hayāta d-dunyā bi l-ākhirati, Those who have given away this world in exchange for the next [= those who prefer the next world to this]: 4:74.

Kash., 1:86, 280-81.

Abū Dhu'ayb, D. al-Hudh., 1:36/[4]: fa in taz<sup>c</sup>umīnī kuntu ajhalu fikumū/fa innī sharaytu l-hilma ba<sup>c</sup>daki bi l-jahlī, "If you think that I have acted crazily in your love, then [you are quite right, for] after you [left], I gave up my serenity in return for craziness." Bashāmah an-Nahshalī, Ham., 1:102/3 (with n. 1, ibid., 1:100): innā banī nahshalin lā nadda<sup>c</sup>ī li abin/ <sup>c</sup>anhu wa lā huwa bi l-abnā'i yashrīnā, "Sons of Nahshal that we are, we do not call anyone other than him our father; neither would he have any others for his sons [lit: neither would he give us up in return for any other sons]."

VIII. ishtarā

1. OBJ

ishtarāhu:

i. to adopt/practice sth:

\*wa la qad <sup>C</sup>alimū la mani shtarāhu mā lahū fī l-ākhirati min khalāqin, And they knew very well that a person who adopted/ practiced it [art of magic] would have no share [= reward] in the hereafter: 2:102.

See Tad., 1:239.

ii. ishtarā d-dalālata, to choose misguidance [over misguidance]: 4:44.

See also 2. ii below, with n.

iii. ishtarā lahwa l-hadīthi, to engage in frivolous/flippant talk: 31:6.

Kash., 3:210.

2. + OBJ + PREP [bā] ishtarāhu bi kadhā:

i. to receive sth [= price/benefit/gain] in exchange for sth:

\*la nashtari bihi thamanan, We shall receive no gain [lit: price] for it [= we shall not bear false witness for the sake of any wordly gain]: 5:106.

\*wa lā tashtarū bi āyātī thamanan qalīlan, And do not accept a small price for My verses [= do not distort/mispresent My verses for the sake of petty worldly gains]: 2:41.

Also: 2:79, 174; 3:77, 187, 199; 5:44; 9:9; 16:95.

Kash., 1:65, 197, 341, 369; 2:141, 343.

ii. to choose one thing over/prefer one thing to another [lit: to give sth away in exchange for another]:

\*ulā'ika Iladhīna shtarawū d-dalālata bi l-hudā, They are the ones who have chosen misguidance over guidance: 2:16, 175.

Also: 2:86; 3:177.

Kash., 1:81. Işlāhī writes, with reference to 2:16: "Ishtirā' means 'to buy.' When a man buys something for a price, he prefers it to that which he calls its price. From this, the word comes to mean 'to accord preference.'" Tad., 1:77. Also, ibid., 1:728-29.

Ham., 1:254/3: fa mā r-rushdu fī an tashtarū bi nacīmikum/ baīsan wa lā an tashrabū l-mā'a bi d-damī, "For it is not a mark of wisdom to prefer wretchedness to peace and comfort, or drink water by shedding blood [for it]." A<sup>C</sup>shā, 217/ 20: wa qāla lā ashtarī <sup>C</sup>āran bi makrumatin/fa khtāra makrumata d-dunyā <sup>C</sup>alā l-<sup>C</sup>ārī, "And he said, 'I shall not choose disgrace over honor.' And so he chose worldly honor/glory over disgrace."

See also 1.ii above.

## 197. Sh<sup>c</sup>R

IV. ash<sup>C</sup>ara

+ OBJ

\*wa mā yush<sup>c</sup>irukum annahā idhā jā'at lā yu'minūna, And, for all you know, [it may well be that] when it [sign] comes, they will not believe: 6:109.

## 198. Sh<sup>C</sup>L

VIII. ishta<sup>c</sup>ala

+ TAMYĪZ

\*wa shta<sup>c</sup>ala r-ra'su shayban, My head is lit up with age [= has become gray]: 19:4.

Aq., 1:596. Kash., 2:405; Muf., 263. Cf. Lab., 177/13.

199. ShFY

- I. shafā
  - + OBJ

shafā sadrahū, to give sb relief [by avenging him]: 9:14.

A<sup>c</sup>shā, 221/13: shafā n-nafsa qatlā lam tuwassad khudūduhā/wisādan wa lam tu<sup>c</sup>dad <sup>c</sup>alayhā l-anāmilū, "We avenged ourselves by means of those we killed: their cheeks were not rested on pillows [= they were not laid to rest properly], and no fingers were bit over them [= no remorse was expressed over them by anyone]." Zuhayr al-<sup>c</sup>Absī, Ham., 1:203/1: shafaytu n-nafsa min hamali bni badrin/wa sayfī min hudhayfata qad shafānī, "I avenged myself on Hamal ibn Badr, and my sword helped me avenge myself on Hudhayfah." Also, ibid., 1:333/6; 2:522/1, 531/1; 3:1160/2; <sup>c</sup>Ant., 31/[2], 77/[4], 112/[2], 129/[6], 213/[6]; D. al-Hudh., 2:104/[3]; Yazīd ibn Habnā', D. al-Khaw., 214/4.

# 200. ShQQ

I. shaqqa

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

shaqqa <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin, to burden sb with sb:

\*wa mā urīdu an ashuqqa <sup>c</sup>alayka, 1 do not mean to make things too hard for you: 28:27.

> Kash., 3:164. Hass., 228/[1]: hattā tashuqqa calā lladhī yasrī, "Until it [darkness of the wilderness] makes it difficult for

the traveler [to travel]." Also, Zuh., 369/[2]; A<sup>c</sup>shā, 311/14; <sup>c</sup>Ant., 85/5 (which, incidentally, contains wordplay).

# 201. ShM'Z

IV. ishma'azza

VB

ishma'azza qalbuhū, to feel averse in one's heart [lit: (of one's heart) to constrict]:

\*wa idhā dhukira llāhu wahdahū shma'azzat qulūbu lladhīna lā yu'minūna bi l-ākhirati, But when God alone is mentioned, those who do not believe in the hereafter feel an aversion in their hearts: 39:45.

Ag., 1:610; Muf., 267. Kash., 3:349: Nafarū wa ngabadū.

#### 202. ShMT

IV. ashmata

+ OB + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

ashmata llāhu bihī <sup>c</sup>aduwwahū, (of God) to let sb's enemy rejoice at/gloat over his plight: 7:150.

Aq., 1:609. Umāmah, Ham., 3:1381/1 (with n. 1, ibid.): wa ashmatta bī man kāna fīka yalūmū, "And you let those who used to reproach me in regard to you rejoice at my plight." Farazdaq, Ham., 3:1208/2: fa qul li sh-shāmiūna binā afīqū/sa yalqā sh-shāmitūna ka mā laqīnā, "Say to those who are rejoicing at our plight, 'Come to your senses! Those who rejoice at out plight are going to experience what we have experienced'" (cf. <sup>C</sup>Awf ibn Mālik al-Qasrī, quoted by Anbārī, Mufadd., 115/[5]).

#### 203. ShHD

- I. shahida
- 1. + OBJ shahidahū:

i. to pay attention to/concentrate on sth:

*\*inna qur'āna l-fajri kāna mash'hūdan,* Qur'ān-recitation at *fajr* [= in the dawn prayer] is no doubt marked by concentration: 17:78. The word mash'hūd in the verse refers to the concentration the prayer-leader and those praying behind him enjoy as he recites the Qur'an in the fajr pray, and also to the attendance (referred to in Hadīth) of angels at that recitation. Tad., 3:774; Muf., 269.

ii. to have sth under one's care:

\*yash'haduhū l-muqarrabūna, It [register of deeds] will be under the care of those who are near [to God]: 83:21.

iii. to keep an eye on sth:

\*wa kunnā li hukmihim shāhidīna, And We kept an eye on their exercise of power/their adjudication of matters: 21:78.

Tad., 4:311.

iv. to take part/engage in/be involved in sth:

\*wa lladhīna lā yash'hadūna z-zūra, And [those] who do not engage in [acts of] falsehood: 25:72.

\*mā shahidnā mahlika ahlihī, We were not involved in/party to the murder of his man: 27:49.

Tad., 4:745.

2. + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā] shahida <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to serve as a witness to sb [= convey the divine message to sb]:

\*li takūnū shuhadā'a <sup>c</sup>alā n-nāsi wa yakūna r-rasūlu <sup>c</sup>alaykum shahīdan, So that you serve as witnesses unto mankind, and the Prophet serves as a witness unto you: 2:143 [act pt].

Also: 22:78 [twice, both act pt]; 73:15 [act pt].

ii. to bear witness over sb [= testify that one has conveyed the divine message to sb]: 4:41, 159; 16:89 [twice]. [All active participles.] iii. to bear witness against sb:

\* $q\bar{a}l\bar{u}$  shahidnā  $\bar{c}al\bar{a}$  anfusinā, They will say, 'We bear witness against ourselves': 6:130.

Also: 7:37; 24:24; 41:20, 21, 22.

See also 3 below, and 382 (NTQ) I.

iv. to serve as a custodian/carrier/presenter of sth [= Scripture]: 5:44 [act pt].

iv is quite close to i in meaning, the difference being that in iv the object of the preposition is inanimate (Scripture), whereas in i it is animate (human beings).

# 3. + PREP $[^{c}al\bar{a}]$ + PREP $[b\bar{a}]$

\*shāhidīna <sup>c</sup>alā anfusihim bi l-kufri, Providing against themselves testimony of disbelief [= testimony to the effect that they are disbelievers]: 9:17.

See also 1.iii above, and 382 (NTQ) I.

IV. a'sh'hada

+ OBJ + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

ash'hadahū <sup>c</sup>alā l-amri:

i. to cite/invoke sb as a witness to sth:

\*wa yush'hidu Ilāha <sup>c</sup>alā mā fī qalbihī, And he cites God as a witness to what is in his heart: 2:204.

ii. to take sb as a witness over sth:

\*fa idhā dafa<sup>c</sup>tum ilayhim amwālahum fa ash'hidū <sup>c</sup>alayhim, And when you tum their wealth over to them, take witnesses over them: 4:6 [obj und].

\*wa ash'hadahum <sup>c</sup>alā anfusihim, And He made them give witness over themselves: 7:172.

Ash'hadtuh $\overline{u}$  <sup>c</sup>al $\overline{a}$  iqr $\overline{a}$ ri *l*-ghar $\overline{i}$ mi, "I took him as a witness to the debtor's admission [that a debt is owed]." Aq., 1:617.

# X. istash'hada

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

istash'hada <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to ask for witnesses against sb:

\*fa stash'hidū <sup>c</sup>alayhinna arba<sup>c</sup>atan minkum, Ask for/demand four witnesses against them from among yourselves: 4:15.

# ŞĀD

204. SBB

### I. şabba

+ OBJ + PREP [ $c_a l\bar{a}$ ]

\*fa sabba llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhim sawta <sup>c</sup>adhābin, And so God rained down upon them lashes of [a severe] punishment: 89:13.

Sabba llāhu ta<sup>c</sup>ālā <sup>c</sup>alayhi ṣā<sup>c</sup>iqatan, "(of God) to strike sb with a bolt of lightning"; insabba l-bāzī <sup>c</sup>alā ṣ-ṣaydi, "(of a falcon) to swoop down on its prey"; insabba l-ḥayyatu <sup>c</sup>alā lmaldūghi, "(of a snake) to attack a person in order to bite him"; subba dh-dhi'bu <sup>c</sup>alā l-ghanami, "(of a wolf) to attack sheep." Asās, 345-46; also, Aq., 1:628. Şubba sh-shay'u, "(of sth) to be wiped out/obliterated." Ibid. See also, Zabbān ibn Sayyār al-Murrī, Mufadd., 693/2.

## 205. ŞBH

II. şabbaha

+ OBI

*sabbaha l-<sup>c</sup>adhābu l-qawma*, (of punishment) to strike/overtake a people: 54:38.

Sabaha *l-qawma*, "to attack a people in the morning"; yawm as-sabāh, "the day of attack." Aq., 1:629. Husayl ibn Sajīh, Ham., 2:567: *la qad <sup>C</sup>alima l-hayyu l-musabbahu annanī*/ ghadāta laqīnā bi sh-shurayfi *l-ahāmisā*, "The tribe that was attacked knows very well that the day we met the Ahāmis [ = Banū <sup>C</sup>Amir] in battle." The literal meaning of sabbaha is "to attack in the moming"; hence the prayer Cim/inCam sabāhan, "May you be well in the morning" (see Aq., 2:1468 [also, Zuh., 8/[1], with n. 4; CAnt., 204/[1]]). But then the word came to mean simply "to attack," regardless of the time of attack. That is why 54:38 contains the word bukratan, indicating that the punishment was in fact meted out early in the morning. Cf. CAntarah (76/ [5]), who uses the words sabāhan and bukūran together with sabbahnāhā. Another example of such specification in the Qur'ān is 17:1, in which asrā bihī ("to cause to travel" originally, "to cause to travel by night") is followed by laylan (Tad., 3:718; cf. Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 137/[2]). Cf. also 32 (BYT) II.ii.

206. SBR

I. sabara

1. + PREP [a.  $c_{al\bar{a}}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. sabara <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to stick to sth:

*\*law lā an ṣabarnā <sup>c</sup>alayhā,* Had We not stuck to them/remained faithful to them [idols]: 25:42.

Also: 38:6.

**b.** sabara li *I*-amri, to wait patiently for sth:

\*wa sbir li-hukmi rabbika, And wait patiently for the verdict of your Lord: 52:48.

Also: 68:48; 74:7 [n.]; 76:24.

Muf., 274. When sabara or istabara (VIII.b, below) is followed by *lām*, it acquires the *tadmīn*-meaning of *intizār*. *Tad.*, 4:132; 7:42, 530.

74:7: This verse, according to Işlāhī (Tad., 8:47), has the same meaning as does 52:48 (and the other verses at b). Thus the underlying construction would be: wa li-hukmi rabbika fa sbir, the word hukm, a mudāf, taken as understood. Grammatically, however, the lām may also be interpreted to mean "for the sake of," and, by extension, "in the cause of, in the event of." The following verse by Tirimmāh (Krenk., 133/ 31) would then illustrate this meaning: fa mā laqiyat qatlā tamīmin shahādatan/wa lā şabarat li l-harbi hīna shma<sup>c</sup>allatī, "Those of the Tamīm who were killed—they did not become martyrs [for they were not Muslims], nor were steadfast in war when it became widespread." Also, ibid., 133/2 [no. 10].

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[ma^{c}a]$ 

sabara nafsahū ma<sup>c</sup>ahū, to be with sb, stand by sb:

\*wa sbir nafsaka ma<sup>c</sup>a lladhīna yad<sup>c</sup>ūna rabbahum bi l-ghadāti wa l-<sup>c</sup>ashīyyi, And remain steadfastly in the company of those who call upon their Lord day and night: 18:28.

### IV. asbara

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

\*fa mā asbarahum <sup>c</sup>alā n-nāri, How unflinching they are in the face of fire! 2:175.

### Muf., 274.

 $M\bar{a} af^{c}alah\bar{u}$  is one of the two patterns of  $af^{c}\bar{a}l at-ta^{c}ajjub$ .

Al-Muraggish al-Asghar, Mufadd., 504/5: yā bnata Cajlāna mā asbaranī/calā khutubin ka nahtin bi l-gadum, "O daughter of CAjlan, how patient/persevering am I in the face of calamities that cut and hew like an adz!" Note the use of asbar (comparative adjective) in the following verse by Zufar ibn al-Hārith al-Kilābī, Ham., 1:156: sagaynāhumū ka'san sagawna bi mithliha/wa lakinnahum kanū <sup>c</sup>ala l-mawti asbara, "We served them a cup [= cup of death], the like of which they had served us. They, however, proved to be more patient in the face of death." The poet is not praising the enemy, but is saying, in an ironical tone, that his tribe killed a greater number of the enemy tribe than the latter had been able to kill at an earlier time, and that, in going through this ordeal, the enemy tribe seemed to display a higher degree of perseverance-though (the poet is implying) the enemy in fact had no choice but to put up with their terrible fate. In his commentary on the verse (ibid., 1:156-57), Marzūgī cites the opinion of some Qur'an exegetes that 2:175 has similar connotations (cf. the use of ma asbaraka cala llahi in a report by Kisa'î [Kash., 1:108]). Also, Ham., 1:261/1; 2:933/3.

VIII. istabara

+ PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. lām]

a. istabara <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to persist in sth:

\*wa stabir <sup>c</sup>alayhā, And observe it [prayer] regularly/steadfastly: 20:132.

<sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Dubay<sup>C</sup>ah ar-Raqāshī, *Ham.*, 3:1405/4: *qadā llāhu hubba l-mālikiyyati fa stabir/<sup>C</sup>alayhi fa qad tajrī l-umūru <sup>C</sup>alā qadrī, "God has decreed that you love the Mālikite woman. Persist in it [= in your love], therefore, for things take the course ordained for them."*  \*wa stabir li <sup>c</sup>ibādatihī, And worship Him steadfastly [waiting for His help, etc.]: 19:65.

Like şabara lahū (l.1.ii, above), iştabara lahū carries the tadmīn-meaning of intizār. Tad., 4:132.

Tufail ibn <sup>C</sup>Awf al-Ghanawi, Krenk., 16/72: wa li l-khayli ayyamun fa man yastabir lahā/wa ya<sup>C</sup>rif lahā ayyāmahā lkhayra tu<sup>C</sup>qibi, "The horses have their [lucky] days, so one who waits patiently for them [lucky days], and concedes them [days] to them [horses] [= treats the horses well until the arrival of those days], they [horses] will compensate [him] well."

207. SBW

I. sabā

+ PREP [ila]

*șabă ilă l-mar'ati,* to take a fancy to/become infatuated with a woman:

\*asbu ilayhinna, I will become enamored of them: 12:33.

Sabawtu ilayhi, "I have taken a liking to him"; bī sabwatun ilayhi, "I long for/desire him"; bihī sabwatun ilayhā, "He has taken a fancy to her"; tasābā sh-shaykhu, "(of an old man) to have youthful desires"; fulānun yasbū ilā ma<sup>c</sup>ālī I-umūri, "He is disposed toward doing noble deeds"; inna nafsahū la tasbū ilā I-khayri, "He has a good/benevolent disposition [lit: he is inclined to do good]." Asās, 347-48. Ṣabati n-nakhlatu, "of a female date-palm) to incline toward a male date-palm that is at some distance from it." Aq., 1:632. Waddāh ibn Ismā<sup>c</sup>īl, Ham., 2:643/1: sabā qalbī wa māla ilayki maylan/wa arraqanī khayāluki yā uthaylā, "O Uthaylah, my heart has become enamored of you and is inclined to you; and thinking of you has robbed me of my sleep."

#### 208. SDD

I. sadda

+ PREP [min]

sadda minhu, to cry out against sth:

\*idhā qawmuka minhu yasiddūna, All of a sudden your people start raising a hue and cry over it: 43:57. Şadda in this verse has şadīdan as its maşdar (to be distinguished from sadda—şaddan/şudūdan).

The translation reflects the interpretation of Islāhī (*Tad.*, 6:241), who says that the expression is not commonly used for crying for joy (cf. Kash., 3:423).

209. SDQ

II. saddaga

1. VB

saddaga, to actualize/materialize/fulfill [sth]:

\*wa hādhā kitābun musaddiqun, And this is a book that represents a fulfillment [of the promises/predictions contained in the earlier scriptures]: 46:12.

Abbreviated form of 2, below.

**2.** + OB]

saddaga I-amra, to actualize/materialize/fulfill sth:

\**kitābun*...*muṣaddiqun li mā ma<sup>c</sup>ahum*, A book which ... fulfills that which they have [= promises/predictions contained in the earlier scriptures]: 2:89.

\*qad şaddaqta r-ru'yā, You have fulfilled [the purpose of] the dream: 37:105.

*Also:* 2:41, 91, 97, 101; 3:3, 50, 81; 4:47; 5:46, 48; 6:92; 10:37; 12:111; 35:31; 46:30; 61:6. [All active participles except 10:37 and 12:111.]

Abū I-Ghūl at-Ţuhawī (Ham., 1:39/1 [cited by Işlāhī, Tad., 1:737, in reference to 3:81]): fadat nafsī wa mā malakat yamīnī/fawārisa şaddaqū fīhim zunūnī, "I would give my life and all my wealth for the horsemen who proved my opinion of them to be correct." See also ibid., 1:135, 620-21; 7:358.

3. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

saddaqa <sup>c</sup>alayhi zannahū, to prove the validity of one's [unfavor-able] opinion of sb:

\*wa la qad saddaqa <sup>c</sup>alayhim iblīsu zannahū, And Iblīs proved that his opinion of them was correct: 34:20.

Şād

# 210. SRF

I. șarafa

+ OBJ

şarafahū:

i. \*sarafa llāhu qulūbahum, God has caused their hearts to turn away [from the truth]: 9:127.

The verse may also be interpreted as an imprecation. Kash., 2:179.

**ii.** \*fa annā tusrafūna, So where are you backtracking to [= how unreasonabe is your conduct!]? 10:32; 39:6.

Also: 40:69.

See also 6 ('FK) I, and 124 (DhHB) I.1.i.

II. şarrafa

1. + OBJ

sarrafa sh-shay'a, to diversify sth, make sth varied, cause sth to assume varied forms:

\*wa la qad ṣarrafnāhu baynahum, And We have made it [Qur'ān] varied/have diversified it [= presented its material in a variety of ways] among them: 25:50.

*\*wa ṣarrafnā l-āyāti,* And We have presented the verses/signs in a variety of ways: 46:27.

*sarrafa r-riyā*ḥa, to cause winds to blow in different directions/ forms/ways: 2:164 [*mas*]; 45:5 [*mas*].

Also: 6:46, 65, 105; 7:58; 17:89; 18:54; 20:113.

Kash., 1:105; Tad., 1:354; 6:305. Sarrafa l-kalāma, "to diversify one's speech/discourse"; taşārīf ad-dahr, "vicissitudes of time/fortune." Aq., 1:644-45. See also 2 below.

2. + PREP [fi]

sarrafa fi sh-shay'i, to make sth varied:

\*wa la qad sarrafnā fī l-qur'āni, And We have presented [the material in] the Qur'ān in a variety of ways: 17:41.

See also 1 above, with n.

### 211. SRM

- I. sarama
- 1. VB

sarama, to pick [the fruit of a tree]: 68:22 [act pt].

Abbreviated form of 2, below.

2. + OBJ

sarama sh-shajarata, to pick the fruit of a tree:

\*la yaṣrimunnahā, [That] they would most definitely pick it [= garden = fruit of the garden]: 68:17.

212. S<sup>C</sup>D

### IV. as<sup>c</sup>ada

VB

*\*idh tus<sup>c</sup>idūna,* When you were running away in a hurry: 3:153.

As<sup>c</sup>ada ordinarily means "to go up, ascend," hence as<sup>c</sup>ada fi l-ardi = "to go up an elevated place." But it also means simply "to move, proceed," without necessarily implying ascent (see Muf., 281; Kash., 1:223: Al-is<sup>c</sup>ād: adh-dhahābu fi lardi wa l-ib<sup>c</sup>ādu fihi; also, A<sup>c</sup>shā, 171/7 [cited at 68 (HFW) l.a]). As<sup>c</sup>ada fi l-wādī, for example, means "to descend into a valley" (Aq., 1:647). As<sup>c</sup>ada in 3:153 is to be explained with reference to the expression, as<sup>c</sup>ada fi l-<sup>c</sup>adwi, "to run/move at a fast pace" (Tad., 1:795) [see Hass., 60:3, where the word mus<sup>c</sup>idāt is used for swift horses]).

# 213. S<sup>C</sup>R

II. sa<sup>cc</sup>ara

+ OBJ + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

 $sa^{CC}ara\ khaddahu\ lahu,$  to be contemptuously indifferent to sb [lit: to turn one's cheek away from sb]: 31:18.

Sa<sup>c</sup>ar is a disease and a camel suffering from it is forced to keep its neck in a skewed position. Kash., 3:213; Aq., 1:647. The expressions, fi khaddihi sa<sup>c</sup>arun ("He has a 'skew' in his cheek)" and fi <sup>c</sup>unuqihi sa<sup>c</sup>arun ("There is a crook in his neck"), mean that a person is haughty, looks down upon people, and has a contemptuous mien. Asās, 355. Mutalammis, Aşm., 245/9: wa kunnā idhā I-jabbāru şa<sup>CC</sup>ara khaddahū/ aqamnā lahū min maylihī fa taqawwamā, "And when a tyrant became contemptuous in his pride, we took out the crook in him, and so he became straight."

# 214. S<sup>C</sup>Q

- I. șa <sup>c</sup>iga
- 1. VB

sa<sup>c</sup>iqā, to faint away as if struck by thunder: 39:68.

Asās, 355; Ag., 1:648. See also n. to 2 below.

### 2. + OBJ

su<sup>c</sup>iga, to faint away as if struck by thunder: 52:45 [pass].

 $Sa^{C}aqat'humu s-sama'u$ , "(of the sky) to strike sb with lightning." The active (1, above) and passive forms of the verb have the same meaning.  $Yus^{C}aq\bar{u}n$  in 52:45 could also be the passive of  $as^{C}aqa$  (Form IV) ( $as^{C}aqat'humu s-sama'u$ , for example, has the same meaning as  $sa^{C}aqat'humu s-sama'u$ sama'u [see Aq., 1:648; Asas, 355]).

### 215. SKK

- I. sakka
  - + OB]

sakkati l-mar'atu wajhahā, (of a woman expressing surprise/ amazement) to strike herself on the forehead with joined fingers: 51:29.

Aq., 1:655; Tad., 6:609. Cf. daqqati I-mar'atu şadrahā, as in al-Hudhlūl ibn Ka<sup>c</sup>b al-<sup>c</sup>Anbarī, Ham., 2:696/1.

### 216. SLH

I. șa la ha

VB

salaha fulānun, to be rid of one's worries/concerns, have peace of mind:

\*wa takūnū min ba<sup>c</sup>dihi qawman sāliḥīna, And after that [= after killing Joseph] you will be at peace with yourselves/will have peace of mind: 12:9.

Salahat halu fulānin (Aq., 1:656; also, Asās, 359) is said of a person who is rid of his problems/difficulties. Tad., 3:422.

IV. aslaha

1. + OBJ

aşlahahū:

i. to remove sb's imperfection:

așlaha llāhu zawja fulānin, (of God) to enable a man's [barren] wife to bear children: 21:90.

ii. to improve sth:

așlaha llāhu bālahū, (of God) to improve/better sb's circumstances: 47:2, 5.

> The word  $b\bar{a}l$  is quite comprehensive in meaning: it stands for one's worldly circumstances and one's fate in the next world, for one's spiritual as well as one's material condition. *Kash.*, 3:452; *Tad.*, 6:396.

iii. to make sth productive/fruitful:

așlaha llāhu <sup>c</sup>amala fulānin, (of God) to make sb's actions fruitful/yield results: 10:81; 33:71.

iv. așlația l-arda, to make/establish peace in the land/earth: 7:56 [maș], 85 [maș].

v. \*wa aslihū dhāta baynikum, And improve your mutual relations/ set things right between yourselves/effect reconciliation between yourselves: 8:1.

Kash., 2:113.

2. + PREP [fi]

așlața llāhu fihi, to make sb/sth thrive/prosper: \*wa aslih li fi dhurriyyati, And bless my progeny for me: 46:15.

That is: Give me worthy heirs in my progeny; cf. 35:74. See Tad., 6:365. Also, Kash., 3:446.

Sād

### l. sana<sup>c</sup>a

+ OB]

suni<sup>c</sup>a l-waladu, (of a child) to receive a good upbringing: \*wa li tuṣna<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>aynī, And in order that you may grow up/be brought up under My direct care [lit: before My eyes]: 20:39.

*Suni<sup>c</sup>ati I-jāriyatu,* "(of a girl/slave-girl) to receive good care and become healthy/plump as a result of it." Aq., 1:664; also, Asās, 363. Kash., 2:433 (on 20:39): Li tuṣna<sup>c</sup>a: li turabbā.

# VIII. istana<sup>c</sup>a

+ OB] + PREP [*lām*]

iṣṭana<sup>c</sup>ahū li nafsihī, to single sb out for oneself: \*wa sṭana<sup>c</sup>tuka li nafsī, And I have chosen you for Myself: 20:41.

Ag., 1:665; Kash., 2:434.

The verse means that God chose Moses for a special mission and, to that end, prepared him in a special way, the basic meaning of word *istana<sup>c</sup>a* being: to train sb to carry out a certain task. *Tad.*, 4:190.

### 218. SWB

### IV. asāba

### 1. VB

In 38:36, asaba means: to set a goal, appoint a destination: \*haythu asaba, Wherever he [Solomon] aimed/wished [to reach].

That is, the winds aided Solomon's ships in reaching the desired destinations. Asāba in this verse means "to aim for, intend, desire" (Kash., 3:329: Haythu qaşada wa arāda; also, Tad., 5:533). Asāba sh-shay'a, "to seek/pursue sth"; asāba şşawāba fa akhṭa'a fi l-jawābi, "He aimed at the right answer, but produced a wrong one." Aq., 1: 667. Asāba s-sahmu (Tad., 5:533) is used of an arrow that reaches its target (likewise: asāba s-sahmu r-ramiyyata, "[of an arrow] to reach the animal shot at" [Aq., 1:667; also, Asās, 363]), as in Mu<sup>c</sup>āwiyah ibn Mālik [Mufadd., 698/3], who uses it figurative-ly). The use in the following line by al-Hārith ibn az-Zālim (Mufadd., 618/4), too, is figurative: wa qad ghadibā <sup>c</sup>alayya fa mā aşābā, "The two were enraged at me, but they failed of their purpose."

2. + OBJ

Used with an object, *asaba* often means: (of good/bad fortune, punishment, etc.) to befall/overtake sb. In most cases it presents no difficulty. The following may be noted, however:

\*an yusibahum, that He should punish them: 5:49 [n.]

\*nakhshā an tuṣībanā dā'iratun, We are afraid lest we should become victims of fate: 5:52.

\*asabnahum, We punished them: 7:100 [n.]

\*lā yuṣībuhum ẓama'un wa lā naṣabun wa lā makhmaṣatun, Any thirst, fatigue, or hunger that they experience: 9:120.

*\*idhā aṣābahumu l-baghyu,* When they become the victims of aggression: 42:39.

\*fa tusībakum minhum ma<sup>c</sup>arratun, in which case you would have incurred blame on account of them: 48:25.

\*an tusībū qawman bi jahālatin, Lest you should make a rash attack upon some people: 49:6.

5:49 and 7:100: In these two verses, *asāba* by itself (i.e. without use of a word for punishment, etc.) means "to punish."

When asaba is used in a good sense, the image is that of rain falling on the earth (*i<sup>c</sup>tibāran bi s-sawbi—ay bi l-maṭari*); when in a bad sense, it is that of an arrow reaching its target (*isābat as-sahm*). Muf., 288.

### 219. SWR

l. șāra

+ PREP  $[(i|\bar{a}]]$ 

sāra sh-shay'a ilā nafsihi, to draw sth toward oneself: \*fa surhunna ilayka, And attach them [birds] to yourself: 2:260.

Sāra <sup>c</sup>unuqahū ilayhi, "to tum one's neck toward sb/sth"; sāra wajhahū ilayya, "He turned his face toward me"; surtu lghuşna li ajtaniya th-thamara, "I drew the branch toward me in order to pick the fruit." Asās, 364; Aq., 1:668. Imr., 42/6: a dāmat <sup>c</sup>alā mā baynanā min mawaddatin/umaymatu am sārat li qawli l-mukhabbibī, "Is Umaymah still true to the love that once existed between us, or has she followed/heeded the insinuations of some wicked person [who has tried to alienate her from me]?"

220. SYR

I. șāra

+ PREP [ila]

sāra l-amru ilāyhi, (of a matter) to be referred to sb, be up to sb to decide:

*\*ilā llāhi taṣīru l-umūru,* All matters are referred/remitted to God: 42:53.

See also 130 (R/<sup>C</sup>) I.3.i(b), 134 (RDD) I.2.b.i, and 251 (<sup>C</sup>R/) I.

221. DRB

I. daraba

**1.** + OBJ

i. daraba mathalan:

(a) to cite an example/parable, strike a similitude: 2:26; 13:17 [yadribu llāhu l-amthāla]; 14:24, 25, 45; 16:75, 76, 112; 18:32, 45; 22:73 [pass]; 24:35; 29:43; 30:28; 36:13; 39:27 [n. to (b) below], 29; 59:21; 66:10, 11.

(b) to speak words of wisdom, instruct in truth and wisdom: 25:39; 30:58; 39:27 [n.]; 47:3.

Darb al-mathal ordinarily means "to speak words of wisdom using a parable or similitude, but it is also used in a wider sense: to speak words of wisdom as such—i.e. without necessarily employing a parable or similitude. Tad., 5:109; 6:582-83.

39:27: This verse seems to belong here primarily, though, the context suggests, it might also belong at (a), above.

(c) to make a statement, take a stand:

\**mā ḍarabūhu laka illā jadalan,* They have raised this point before you just for the sake of argument: 43:58.

The object pronoun in *darabūhu* in this verse stands for mathal (Kash., 3:424: Mā darabūhu, ay mā darabū hādhā l-mathala).

On 1 in general: Many of the verses in this category contain the preposition  $l\bar{a}m$  (e.g. 14:45: wa yadribu ll $\bar{a}hu$  lamth $\bar{a}la$  li n-n $\bar{a}si$ ); but the prepositional phrase is not essential to the idiom, and so has been discounted for purposes of categorization.

ii. daraba tarigan, to make a path: 20:77.

Note the wordplay: *Daraba tarīqan* means "to make a path" (see *Kash.*, 2:441), but, in making a path for the Israelites through the sea, Moses was to actually "strike" (*daraba*) the sea with his staff. *Tad.*, 4:208-9.

iii. daraba ragabatahū, to cut off sb's head, kill sb: 47:4 [mas].

See Kash., 3:453.

iv. daraba sh-shay'ayni/sh-shay'a wa sh-shay'a, to make two things clash/collide with each other, strike one thing against/hurl one thing at another:

\*kadhālika yadribu llāhu l-haqqa wa l-bātila, In this way God makes truth and falsehood clash/collide with each other: 13:17.

Following Islahi (Tad., 3:529).

**2.** + PREP [a.  $Cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}'$ ; c.  $f\bar{f}$ ]

a. daraba <sup>c</sup>alā udhunihī, to put sb to sleep [lit: to pat sb on the ears]: 18:11.

The image is that of a mother affectionately putting a child to sleep by patting him on the ears. See Tad., 4:25. But the idiom also means (ibid.) "to prevent sb from hearing sth"—i.e. by "sealing off" sb's ears (cf. daraba  $Cal\bar{a}$  *l-maktūbi* ["to seal a letter"; Asās, 373; Aq., 1:680; also, Kash., 2:381]), and it may be said that, in the Qur'anic verse, it carries both meanings at once: the Sleepers were patted to sleep and, as a result, saved from hearing the painful things that had forced them to take refuge in the cave.

### **b.** daraba bihī:

i. daraba bi I-yamini, to strike with full force: 37:93 [mas].

**D**ād

Yamin, "right hand," represents power, and to strike with the yamin is, therefore, to strike with full force. Kash., 3:304; Tad., 5:479-80.

ii. *darabati l-mar'atu bi rijlihā*, (of a woman, while walking) to strike the ground with her feet [in order to attract attention]: 24:31.

Kash., 3:72. Cf. 16 (BRJ) V.1.

c. daraba fihi:

i. daraba fi I-ardi, to travel/move about in the land:

\* $l\bar{a}$  yastaț $\bar{l}^{C}$ una darban f $\bar{l}$  l-ard $\bar{l}$ , [Those] who are unable to travel/ move about in the land: 2:273.

Also: 3:156; 4:101; 5:106; 73:20.

**ii.** *\*idhā darabtum fī sabīli llāhi,* When you go out in the path of God [ = in order to fight in the way of God]: 4:94.

Aq., 1:679.

3. + OBJ + OBJ

darabahū mathalan, to present/cite sb/sth as an example/as a case in point:

\*wa lammā duriba <sup>C</sup>īsā bnu maryama mathalan, But when Jesus son of Mary is cited as an example: 43:57.

> Mathalan is the second object of duriba, the verb containing the tadmin of  $ja^{c}ala$ ; it may also be construed as a hal. See <sup>c</sup>Ukb., 2:228. See also 4.d below.

4. + OBJ + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. <sup>c</sup>an; c. bayna; d. lām]

a. daraba <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-shay'a, to impose/inflict sth on sb:

daraba llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi dh-dhillata/l-maskanata, (of God) to impose disgrace/humiliation on sb: 2:61 [pass]; 3:112 [pass].

The image is that of pitching a tent—i.e. of covering someone over with shame or disgrace (*Muf.*, 295: *Iltahafat'humu dh-dhillatu I-tihāfa I-khaymati bi man duribat calayhi; Kash.*, 1:72, 210), or one of splattering a wall with sticky mud—shame and disgrace having been made to "stick" to a person (ibid., 1:72). b. daraba <sup>c</sup>anhu sh-shay'a, to keep sth away from sb:

\*a fa nadribu <sup>c</sup>ankumu dh-dhikra safhan an kuntum qawman musrifina, Shall We, then, omit reminding you simply because you happen to be a people given to excess? 43:5

> Safhan is here taken as a  $maf^{C}\overline{u}l$  lah $\overline{u}$  (Tad., 6:209), though it can be interpreted in other ways, too (see Kash., 3:411). Shanf., 5/21: wa udīmu mitāla l-j $\overline{u}^{C}i$  hattā umītuh $\overline{u}/wa$  adribu Canhu dh-dhikra safhan fa adh'hal $\overline{u}$ , "I keep putting off the appeasing of hunger, until I kill it [hunger]; and I disregard it completely, and so forget about it."

c. daraba bayna l-qawmi, to create discord/cause a split among people:

\*fa duriba baynahum bi sūrin, And they [Hypocrites and believers] will be separated from each other by means of a wall: 57:13.

The preposition bayna suggests the tadmin of faşala. Cf. daraba d-dahru baynahum, "(of time) to separate people from one another." Aq., 1:679.

d. daraba lahū mathalan, to describe sb/sth in analogical terms:

i. \*fa lā tadribū li llāhi l-amthāla, So do not posit [such false] analogies of God: 16:74.

\*wa idhā bushshira ahaduhum bi mā daraba li r-raḥmāni mathalan, And when anyone from among them is given the happy news of that [= news of the birth of a daughter] which he posits of the Compassionate One: 43:17.

16:74 means that all those statements in which an analogy is drawn between God and some other being or object are false (cf. Kash., 2:337). And 43:17 (see ibid., 3:414) says that the idolator becomes sad at the news of the birth of a daughter whereas he posits similar things (mathal) of Godthat is, attributes daughters to God.

ii. to jeer at sb, make satirical remarks about sb:

*\*unzur kayfa darabū laka l-amthāla*, Look how they take jibes at you: 17:48; 25:9.

Also: 36:78.

Following Islāhī (Tad., 3:754, 4:581; 6:442). Cf. Kash., 2:363 (on 17:48): Darabū laka I-amthāla: maththalūka bi sh-shā<sup>c</sup>iri wa s-sāhiri wa l-majnūni; and ibid., 3:89 (on 25:9), 293-94 (on 36:78).

5. + PREP  $[Cal\bar{a}]$  + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

darabati I-mar'atu <sup>c</sup>alā jaybihā bi khimārihā, (of a woman) to cover her bosom with her veil: 24:31.

222. DRR

VIII. idtarra

1. + OBJ

*udturra r-rajulu,* (of a man) to be compelled [to do sth]: 2:173; 5:3; 6:145; 16:115.

2. + OB] + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

udturra ilayhi, to be compelled to do sth:

*\*illa ma dturirtum ilayhi,* Except that which you are forced to [eat]: 6:119.

223. D<sup>C</sup>F

IV. a d<sup>C</sup> a f a

VB

ada<sup>c</sup>afa fulānun, to have/receive [sth] manifold:

\*fa ulā'ika humu l-mud<sup>C</sup>ifūna, It is they who are going to multiply it [= their reward in the hereafter]: 30:39.

 $D_i^{Cf}$  means "double," but it may also mean "multiple" in the sense of more than two. In *laka di<sup>C</sup>fuhū*, for example, *di<sup>C</sup>f* may mean "twofold" or "threefold." Aq., 1:685. Mud<sup>C</sup>ifūn in 30:39 therefore means: those whose reward will increase manifold.

- 224. DLL
  - I. dalla
  - 1. VB
  - i. to come to naught:

dalla sacyuhū, (of one's effort) to fail: 18:104.

Ham., 4:1775/1:  $c\bar{a}daw mur\bar{u}'atan\bar{a} wa dullila sacyuhum/wa li kulli bayti mur\bar{u}'atin acd\bar{a}'\bar{u}$ , "People became enemies of

our *murū'ah* ["manliness"], but their effort [to discredit us] was brought to nothing; every House of Manliness, to be sure, has its enemies." Also, Asmā' ibn Khārijah, Aşm., 50/21.

### ii. to disappear:

\**dalla man tad<sup>c</sup>ūna illā iyyāhu*, All those you call upon vanish [= you forget them]—except Him: 17:67.

Hass., 143/[7]: taraḥḥala <sup>c</sup>an qawmin fa dallat <sup>c</sup>uqūluhim, "He [Prophet] departed from them [= died], and their reason/minds failed them."

**2.** + PREP [a. *Can*; b. *fi*]

**a.** dalla <sup>C</sup>anhu:

dalla <sup>c</sup>anhu fulānun/kadhā, (of sb/sth) to fail sb, be of no avail to

sb:

\*wa dalla <sup>C</sup>anhum mā kānū yaftarūna, And their falsehoods/ fabrications will be of no avail to them: 6:24; 7:53; 10:30; 11:21; 16:87; 28:75.

Also: 6:94; 7:37; 40:74; 41:48; 46:28.

The literal meaning of dalla <sup>c</sup>anhu as used in these verses is: to be lost (e.g. Kash., 3:177 [on 28:75]: Dalla <sup>c</sup>anhum: ghāba <sup>c</sup>anhum ghaybata sh-shay'i d-dā'i<sup>c</sup>).

Nab., 89/2: dallat hulūmuhumū canhum wa gharrahumū/ sannu l-mu<sup>c</sup>aydiyyi fī ra<sup>c</sup>yin wa ta<sup>c</sup>zībī, "Their reason/ judgment failed them, and they were deceived by the Ma<sup>c</sup>addite's camel-tending—by his taking [the camels] far afield for purposes of grazing." That is, apparent peace deceived them into thinking that they were safe, and that their camels could be taken far afield without fear of attack.

**b.** *dalla fi sh-shay'i*, to be lost in/disappear into sth, lose one's identity by becoming part of sth else:

\*a idhā dalalnā fī l-ardi, What, once we have become part of the earth/are reduced to dust [after death]! 32:10.

Dalla I-mā'u fī I-labani is said of water that disappears in the milk to which it is added (also the opposite: dalla Ilabanu fī I-mā'i). Asās, 378. Also, Kash., 3:220. Similarly, one of the meanings of adallahū is "to bury": adallat banū qaysi bni sa<sup>c</sup>din <sup>c</sup>amīdahā, "The Banū Qays ibn Sa<sup>c</sup>d buried their leader." Aq., 1:689. <sup>c</sup>Adī ibn Ra<sup>c</sup>lā', Aşm., 152/2: wa ghamūsin tadillu fīhā yadu I-ā-/si wa ya<sup>c</sup>yā tabībuhā bi d*dawā'i*, "A large wound, in which the healing man's hand is lost, and for which the physician fails to give the right medicine." Also, Imr., 17/36; Tufayl ibn <sup>C</sup>Awf al-Ghanawī, Krenk., 35/5.

II. dallala

+ OBJ

dallala kaydahū, to thwart sb's strategem:

\*a lam yaj<sup>c</sup>al kaydahum fi tadlilin, Did He not completely confound their strategem? 105:2.

Kash., 4:234. Ra'y mudallal, "erroneous view/judgment," as in Hass., 217/[4]. Cf. 418 (WHN) IV.

IV. a d a l l a

2. + OB

adalla llāhu <sup>c</sup>amala fulānin, (of God) to bring sb's actions/efforts to naught: 47:1, 4, 8.

225. DNN

I. danna

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

danna <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to covet sth:

\*wa mā huwa <sup>c</sup>alā l-ghaybi bi danīnin, And he is not too keen/ eager to learn about the unknown: 81:24.

Following Işlāhī (Tad., 8:231). Commentators usually interpret the word danīn in this verse as "stingy," explaining that the preposition  $Cal\overline{a}$  has been used in the sense of  $b\overline{a}'$ , the preposition normally used with danīn. (In question here is the use of  $Cal\overline{a}$  in, for example, this sentence: danna  $Cal\overline{a}$  fulnin bi I-māli; the  $b\overline{a}'$  which occurs before al-māl in the sentence is not under discussion.) But Işlāhī (ibid.) interprets the word to mean, "greedy," arguing that the preposition  $Cal\overline{a}$  suggests the tadmīn of harīs. For the verse, he says, is drawing a distinction between the psychology of a prophet and that of a soothsayer: unlike the latter, who hungers for the suggestions—false as they are—of the jinn, and may accordingly be said to have initiated the process of his "revelation," the Prophet simply presents before people what he is given and does not go about hunting for revelation. It is possible to build on Işlāhī's view. The tadmīn of harīs suggested by (<sup>c</sup>alā) gives to the phrase (danīn <sup>c</sup>alayh) two interrelated meanings: (1) Muhammad is not "greedy" (harīs)—for, unlike the soothsayers, he is not eager to acquire news of the ghayb, wishing to impress his followers, but is content to receive the revelation that comes to him from God. (2) But he is not "stingy" (danīn) either—for, once he receives a revelation, he does not withhold it from people, but presents it before them in its complete form. (Cf. the use of shahih in 33:19 [see 190 (ShHH) I.ii, n.]).

# 226. DYC

IV. a dā ca

+ OBJ

adā<sup>c</sup>ahū:

i. to bring sth to naught:

 $a d\bar{a}^{C}a$  llāhu īmānahū, (of God) to render sb's faith unworthy of reward: 2:143.

 $a\dot{q}\bar{a}^{C}a \ ll\bar{a}hu \ ^{C}amalah\bar{u}$ , (of God), to render sb's actions null and void, bring sb's effort to naught: 3:195.

aḍā<sup>c</sup>a llāhu ajrahū, (of God) to deprive sb of reward: 3:171; 7:170; 9:120; 11:115; 12:56, 90; 18:30.

ii. to neglect sth completely:

\* $a d\bar{a}^{\bar{c}} \bar{u}$  s-salāta, They neglected [lit: wasted] the prayer completely: 19:59.

Al-Kalhabah al-<sup>C</sup>Urani, Mufadd., 23/6 amartukumū amrī bi mun<sup>c</sup>araji I-liwā/wa lā amra li I-ma<sup>c</sup>siyyi illā mudayya<sup>c</sup>ā, "I had already given you my advice at Mun<sup>c</sup>araj al-Liwā. But the one whose fate it is to be disobeyed has only one kind of advice—one that is disregarded [by people]." Also, Zuh., 123/ [3]; Hass., 129/4. Cf. <sup>C</sup>Ant., 22/[6], 78/4.

# 227. DYQ

I. dāga

1. VB

dāga sadruhū:

i. to feel uneasy, be afraid/apprehensive [lit: (of sb's chest) to constrict]: 26:13.

### Cf. 194 (ShRH) I.1. See also 2.b below.

ii. to be unreceptive/hostile to sth:

*\*yaj<sup>c</sup>al ṣadrahū ḍayyiqan,* He [God] makes his heart unreceptive/ hostile [to Islam] [lit: He causes his chest to constrict]: 6:125.

> 6:125: See Kash., 2:38. Cf. 64 (HSR) I.

2. + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]

a. dāga <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-shay'u:

i. *dãqat <sup>c</sup>alayhi nafsuhū*, to be in great difficulty [lit: (of one's soul) to be straitened]:

\*wa daqat <sup>c</sup>alayhim anfusuhum, And they felt cramped in their souls: 9:118.

**ii.** *daqat <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-ardu*, to have no place to go to/be at a loss to know where to turn to [lit: (of the earth) to become too small for/ close in on sb]: 9:25, 118.

<sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Mikhlāh al-Kalbī, *Ham.*, 2:648: wa qad shahida s saffayni <sup>C</sup>amru bnu muhrizin/fa dāqa <sup>C</sup>alayhi I-marju wa Imarju wāsi<sup>C</sup>ū, "<sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Muhriz participated in the battle that took place between the two armies, and [the place of] Marj [Rāhit], for all its vastness, became too small for him." Cf. Tufayl ibn <sup>C</sup>Awf al-Ghanawī, Krenk., 59/1 [no. 21], and Tirimmāh, ibid., 143/8. Cf. also Hass., 154/[9], where the preposition  $b\bar{a}$ ' is used instead of <sup>C</sup>alā.

Kash., 2:176 (on 9:118): Huwa mathalun li l-hayrati fi amrihim.

**b.** *daqa bihi şadruhu*, to feel distressed at sth [lit: (of one's chest) to constrict on account of sth]: 11:12 [act pt]; 15:97.

Abū l-<sup>C</sup>Atāhiyah, Ham., 3:1544/3: wa ruziqtu min jadwāhu <sup>C</sup>āfiyatan/an lā yadīga bi shukrihī şadrī, "Because of his gift/ favor [= because of his stinginess] I was blessed with peace/ well-being, in that I was saved the trouble/discomfort of offering gratitude to him." Also, Hass., 450/[7].

Cł. dagat <sup>c</sup>alayhi I-hīlatu, "to be at a loss to know what to do"; idhā tadāyaga <sup>c</sup>alayka amrun fa ntazir sa<sup>c</sup>atan, "When you find yourself in straits, wait for an opening." Asās, 381. Cf. A<sup>c</sup>shā, 407/4.

See also 1.i above.

3. + PREP + TAMYIZ

daqa bihi dhar<sup>c</sup>an, to be powerless/helpless against sb: 11:77; 29:33.

Kash., 3:190. Mūsā ibn Jābir, Ham., 1:369/1. Cf. Lab., 265/45.

II. dayyaqa

+ PREP [Cala]dayyaqa Calayhi, to cause hardship to sb: 65:6.

Abū Bilāl Mirdās ibn Udayyah, D. al-Khaw., 193/4: fa qad dayyaqū d-dunyā <sup>c</sup>alaynā bi ruhbihā, "For they have made this world—vast and spacious though it is—too small a place for us [to live in]." ŢĀ′

228. TBC

I. taba<sup>c</sup>a

**1.** + PREP [ $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ]

taba<sup>c</sup>a llāhu <sup>c</sup>alā qalbihī, (of God) to seal off sb's heart [thus rendering him incapable of receiving guidance]:

\*ulā'ika Iladhīna taba<sup>c</sup>a Ilāhu <sup>c</sup>alā qulūbihim wa sam<sup>c</sup>ihim wa abṣārihim, They are the ones whose hearts, ears, and eyes have been sealed up by God: 16:108.

Also: 4:155; 7:100, 101; 9:93; 10:74; 30:59; 40:35; 47:16.

See also 2 below, and 48 (*J<sup>C</sup>L*) 1.3.a.i, 79 (*KhTM*) 1, and 192 (*ShDD*) 1.2.ii.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

\*wa tubi<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alā qulūbihim, And their hearts were sealed off: 9:87.

Also: 63:3 [pass].

See also 1 above, and 48 (J<sup>C</sup>L) 1.3.a.i, 79 (KhTM) 1, and 192 (ShDD) 1.2.ii.

# 229. T<sup>C</sup>N

I. ța<sup>c</sup>ana

+ PREP [*fī*]

ta<sup>c</sup>ana fi sh-shay'i, to disparage sth, cast a slur on sth:

\*wa ta<sup>c</sup>anū fī dīnikum, And if they should disparage your religion: 9:12.

Also: 4:46 [mas].

Ta<sup>c</sup>ana fihi/<sup>c</sup>alayhi, "to calumniate/defame sb"; huwa ta<sup>CC</sup>ānun fi a<sup>c</sup>rādi n-nāsi, "He is a great reviler of people." Asās, 390.

230. TGhY

- I. taghā
- 1. VB

taghā l-basaru, (of eyes) to miss their object: 53:17.

See 158 (ZYGh) 1.1.ii, n.

**2.** + PREP [fi]

tagha fi l-amri:

to exceed the limits in respect of sth:

\*wa lā tatghaw fīhi, And do not exceed the limits/commit any violation in this respect: 20:81.

\*an lā tatghaw fī l-mīzāni, So that you do not violate the [principle of] balance: 55:8.

See also 278 (GhLW) I.

# 231. TF'

IV. atfa'a

+ OBJ

i. ațfa'a nāra l-ḥarbi, to put an end to war [lit: to extinguish the fire/flames of war]:

\*kullamā awqadū nāra l-ḥarbi aṭfa'ahā llāhu, Every time they kindle the flames of war, God will puts them out: 5:64.

*Tafi'at <sup>c</sup>aynuhū*, "to lose one's eyesight"; atfa'a *l-fitnata/l-harba*, "to put an end to anarchy/war." Aq., 1:709.

**ii.** Atfa'a nūra llāhi bi fīhi in 9:32 and 61:8 means literally: to put out the light of God with one's mouth, i.e. by blowing. The reference is to the attempts to extinguish the flame of Islam, i.e. to wipe out Islam.

232. TFF

# II. taffafa

VB

*Taffafa*, as used in 83:1 (*waylun li l-mutaffifina*), refers not to giving short weight/measure in the ordinary sense, but to "shortchang-ing" in a general sense—in the sense, that is, of not giving a person what is due to him and usurping his rights.

Following Islāhī (Tad., 8:254). See also 335 (KYL) I and VIII, and 408 (WZN) I.

### 233. TL<sup>C</sup>

VIII. ițțala<sup>c</sup>a

+ PREP [ila]

*ittala<sup>c</sup>a ilayhi*, to rise up and take a look at sth:

*\*la<sup>c</sup>allī attali<sup>c</sup>u ilā ilāhi mūsā,* So that I might ascend to take a look at the God of Moses: 28:38.

Also: 40:37/.

The preposition  $il\bar{a}$  suggests the tadmin of nazara, and the complete construction is:  $la^{C}all\bar{i}$  attalicu <sup>C</sup>al $\bar{a}$  s-sarhi fa anzura il $\bar{a}$  il $\bar{a}$  in  $\bar{a}$  is so that I may get to the top of the palace and take a look at the God of Moses." Tad., 4:808.

# 234. TLQ

### VII. intalaga

#### VB

intalaga lisānuhū, to be articulate/fluent/eloquent: 26:13.

Rajul munțaliq/țalq/țilq/țalīq al-lisān, "an eloquent man." Asās, 394. <sup>C</sup>Ant., 256/[7]: a <sup>C</sup>ablata law sa'alti r-rumța <sup>C</sup>annī/ ajābaki wa hwa munțaliqu l-lisānī, "O <sup>C</sup>Ablah, if you were to ask my spear about me, it would respond to you in a fluent manner [= relate to you my exploits in war]."

# 235. TMS

I. tamasa

**1**. + OBJ

tamasa sh-shay'a:

i. to efface sth, blot/wipe sth out:

\*min qabli an natmisa wujūhan, Before We disfugure faces completely: 4:47 [n.].

\*fa tamasnā a<sup>c</sup>yunahum, And so We blotted out their eyes: 54:37 [n.].

4:47: Kash., 1:272: An naṭmisa wujūhan, ay namḥuwa takhṭṭa suwarihā min <sup>c</sup>aynin wā hājibin wa anfin wa famin. Also, Muf., 307.

54:37: Kash., 4:47. According to Islāhī (Tad., 7:109), the verse is not saying necessarily that the physical eyes of the people in question—the people of Lot—were blotted out: it may signify complete loss of the ability to think and understand—to "see" things as they are. He cites 47:23 as a possible comparison.

See also n. to 2 below.

ii. tamasa n-najma, to take away the light of a star: 77:8 [pass].

**2.** + PREP [ $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ]

*tamasa <sup>c</sup>alayhi*, to blot/wipe sth out/destroy sth by inflicting sth [e.g. a curse] on it:

\*wa law nashā'u la tamasnā  $calā a^{c}yunihim$ , Had We so desired, We would have imposed upon them the curse of the blotting out of eyes: 36:66.

\*rabbanā tmis <sup>c</sup>alā amwālihim, Our Lord, destroy [= curse them by destroying] their wealth: 10:88.

The use of the preposition  $c_{al\bar{a}}$  (as against 1.i above) suggests the idea of infliction or imposition, so that a tadmin of some word like lacnah may be assumed.

# 236. THR

II. tahhara

+ OBJ

tahhara thiyābahu, to purify one's heart: 74:4 [obj und].

The heart is likened to clothes, for, like clothes, it can become clean or unclean (cf. Ham., 1:110/1; cf. also Kash., 4:156: Wa dhālika li anna th-thawba yulābisu l-insāna wa yashtamilu <sup>c</sup>alayhi fa kuniya bihī). Huwa tāhiru th-thiyābi, "He has an unblemished character." Asās, 399; also, Aq., 1:719. Imru' al-Qays (13/19) uses the word thiyāb in the sense of "heart": wa in taku qad sā'atki minnī khalīqatun/fa sullī thiyābī min thiyābiki tansulī, "And if you have taken a dislike to a certain trait of mine, then draw my heart away from yours and it shall be drawn away." (Cf. Ham., 4:1873/1 [no. 870]). In another verse (quoted by Işlāhī in explication of 74:4 [Tad., 8:44]), Imru' al-Qays (83/[3]) says: thiyābu banī <sup>c</sup>awfin tahārā naqiyyatun, "The hearts of Banū <sup>c</sup>Awf are pure and unsullied" See also Khan., 12/[1]; and <sup>c</sup>Adī, in Asās, 395 (TMTh).

V. tatahhara

VB

tatahhara r-rajulu, to assume an air of piety/righteousness:

*\*innahum unāsun yatatahharūn,* They are the would-be virtuous: 7:82; 27:56.

Kash., 2:73. See also 152 (ZKW) II.

## 237. TWC

II tawwa<sup>C</sup>a

+ OBJ + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

tawwa<sup>c</sup>a lahū l-amra, to dispose sb to do sth:

\*fa tawwa<sup>c</sup>at lahū nafsuhū qatlahū, And his soul/heart disposed him to kill his brother: 5:30.

Asās, 398; Aq., 1:721. Cf. 186 (SWL) II.2.

IV. ațā<sup>c</sup>a

VB

\*sami<sup>c</sup>nā wa ata<sup>c</sup>nā: see 183 (SM<sup>c</sup>) I.1.ii.

X. istațā<sup>c</sup>a

1. + OBJ

i. istatā<sup>c</sup>a s-sabīla, to be able to find a way:

*\*fa lā yastaţī<sup>c</sup>ūna sabīlan,* And so they are unable to find a way: 17:48; 25:9.

The verses carry two meanings simultaneously: one, the opponents of the Prophet, in ridiculing him, are unable to find any weak points in the Prophet and his message (Tad., 3:754; 4:581); two, being motivated by prejudice, they have deprived themselves of the ability to receive guidance, i.e. are unable to find the way of guidance.

ii. istațā<sup>c</sup>a hīlatan, to be able to find a way out/work one's way out [of a difficult situation]: 4:95.

### Tad., 2:137.

**iii.** \*hal yastaţī<sup>C</sup>u rabbuka an tunazzila <sup>C</sup>alaynā mā'idatan mina ssmā'i, Could/would your Lord send down for us a feast from heaven? 5:112.

> Formally a question, 5:112 is actually a request. It is therefore more appropriate to translate hal yastat<sup>C</sup> u rabbuka "could/would your Lord?" rather than "is your Lord able to?" See Tad., 2:380, where Islāhī says that the question asked by the disciples of Jesus was not about the ability of God to send down a feast but about the appropriateness, from the point of view of divine wisdom, of sending it down. Cf. Muf., 311.

### 2. + OBJ + PREP $[i|\bar{a}]$

istatā<sup>c</sup>a s-sabīla ilā makānin, to be able to reach a place, be able to find the way that leads to a certain place: 3:97.

The verse speaks of the ability to undertake the journey to perform the *hajj*, and financial as well as physical ability is implied.

### 238. TWF

- I. țā f a
   + PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā]
   tāfa <sup>C</sup>alayhi:
- i. to attend on sb: 52:24; 56:17; 76:19.
- ii. to visit sb:

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\*tawwafūna <sup>c</sup>alaykum ba<sup>c</sup>dukum min ba<sup>c</sup>din, You are visitors one to the other: 24:58.

That is, you associate with one another for various needs of yours. Kash., 3:83: Ya<sup>c</sup>nī anna bikum wa bihim ḥājatan ilā l-mukhālatati wa l-mudākhalati....

iii. (of a calamity/disaster) to afflict/strike sb:

\*fa țāfa <sup>c</sup>alayhim țā'ifun min rabbika wa hum nā'imūna, And a whirlwind from your Lord swept through it [garden] as they lay asleep: 68:19.

IV. atāfa

+ OBJ + PREP [ $cal\bar{a}$ ] + PREP [ $b\bar{a}'$ ]

\*yutāfu <sup>c</sup>alayhim bi ka'sin min ma<sup>c</sup>īnin, And cups of pure wine shall be passed round among them: 37:45.

Also: 43:71 [pass]; 76:15 [pass].

<sup>C</sup>Ant., 54/[2].

239. TWL

I. ţāla

+ PREP [Cala]

*tāla <sup>c</sup>alayhi z-zamānu,* to have been in a certain state for a long time:

\*a fa tāla <sup>c</sup>alaykumu l-<sup>c</sup>ahdu, Has it been too long for you already [so that you are behaving in this manner]? 20:86.

\*hattā tāla <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-<sup>c</sup>umuru, Until they had spent a very long time [in that condition]: 21:44.

Also: 57:16.

Nāb., 2/1: yā dāra mayyata bi l-<sup>c</sup>alyā'i fa s-sanadī/aqwat wa tāla <sup>c</sup>alayhā sālifu l-abadī, "O dwelling of Mayyah on an elevation by the hillside: it [dwelling] is desolate and a long time has passed over it [since the departure of its residents]." (On sanad in the verse, see Qas., 512, n. 2.) Also, <sup>c</sup>Ant., 167/[1]. See also VI below. VI.  $tat\bar{a}wala$ + PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā]

\*fa tatāwala <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-<sup>c</sup>umuru, And they remained/lived [in that condition—i.e. without a prophet or divine message] for a long period of time: 28:45.

Tatāwala <sup>c</sup>alaynā l-laylu, "It has been a long night for us"; yā zaydu zayda l-ya<sup>c</sup>malāti dh-dhubbalī/taṭāwala l-laylu <sup>c</sup>alayka fa nzilī, "O Zayd—Zayd of the indefatigable, emaciated she-camels—you have had a long night, so get off [your riding beast]." Asās, 399.

See also I above.

### 240. TYB

- I. ţāba
- 1. VB

\*tibtum, May you be happy/blessed! 39:73.

2. + PREP [lam]

\*mā tāba lakum, Those who are lawful for you [to marry]: 4:3.

The phrase may also mean: (1) Those who are willing to marry you; and (2) those, marriage with whom will create harmony in your life. *Tad.*, 2:24.

3. + PREP [lam] + PREP  $[^{C}an]$  + TAMYIZ

 $t\bar{a}ba \ lah\bar{u} \ ^{c}ani \ sh-shay'i \ nafsan, to give sth to sb of one's own free will:$ 

\*fa in tibna lakum <sup>c</sup>an shay'in minhu nafsan, Then, if they should, of their free will, relinquish part of it [dower] to you: 4:4.

Hass., 439/[5]: wa tibnā lahū nafsan bi fay'i l-maghānimī, "And of our free will we relinquihed to him [our share of] the spoils." Cf. the use in Zuh., 181/[2].

### 241. TYR

V. tatayyara

+ PREP [bā']

tatayyara bihi, to regard sth as a sign of evil fortune:

\*innā tatayyarnā bikum, We take you to be a sign of evil fortune: 36:18.

Also: 7:131; 27:47.

From the Arabs' custom of taking omens from the way certain birds took off in flight. Kash., 3:145-46; Tad., 2:729. Tatayyara originally meant "to take an omen," but it came to be used predominantly in the sense of taking something to be a bad omen. Ibid.

X. istatāra

VB

istatāra sh-shay'u, to be widespread:

\*wa yakhāfūna yawman kāna sharruhū mustatīran, And they are afraid of a day that will cause widespread calamity/that will spell terror all over: 76:7.

> Kash., 4:168: Mustațiran = fashiyan muntashiran bālighan aqşā *l-mabālighi. Istațāra l-ḥarīqu* "(of fire) to be widespread"; istațāra *l-fajru* "(of dawn) to spread." Ibid. Also, Yazīd ibn al-Qa<sup>c</sup>qā<sup>c</sup>, quoted in Shudh., 163 (see n. 75, ibid.)

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242. ZLM

I. zalama

**1.** + OBJ

zalamati l-jannatu ukulahā, (of a garden) to yield less than the usual/expected produce:

\*kiltā l-jannatayni ātat ukulahā wa lam tazlim minhu shay'an, Each of the two gardens brought forth its yield, without diminishing any of it: 18:33.

2. PREP [bā]

zalama bi āyāti llāhi, to commit a wrong by denying the signs of God: 7:9, 103; 17:59.

According to Islāhī, wherever in the Qur'ān zalama is used with the preposition  $b\bar{a}'$ , it carries the tadmīn of some word like kafara or jaḥada. (Tad., 2:715). In practice this applies to only three verses, cited above. In 6:33 (not listed) the  $b\bar{a}'$ may go either with zalama or with jaḥada, more likely with the latter.

IV. azlama

1. VB

azlama, to be enveloped in darkness: 36:37.

**2.** + PREP  $[^{c}a/\bar{a}]$ 

azlama <sup>c</sup>alayhi, (of darkness) to envelop sb: 2:20.

# 243. ZHR

I. zahara

1. VB

zahara:

i. to be dominant, possess power: 40:29 [act pt].

ii. to achieve victory:

\*fa aşbahū zāhirīna, And they became victorious: 61:14 [act pt].

2. + PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā] zahara <sup>C</sup>alayhi:

i. to provide assistance against sb:

\*wa kāna l-kāfiru <sup>c</sup>alā rabbika zahīran, And the disbelievers are helpers [of Satan] in opposition to your Lord: 25:55.

Kash., 3:101. Cf. Işlāhī (Tad., 4:611), who gives an essentially similar explanation, though interpreting zahīr in this verse to mean "rival, opponent" (= "And the disbelievers are the rivals/opponents of God") rather than "helper, supporter."

ii. to achieve victory over sb, gain the upper hand of sb: 9:8; 18:20.

iii. to have knowledge of sth, be/become aware of sth:

\*wa lladhīna lam yazharū <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>awrāti n-nisā'i, And those who have not yet developed an awareness of women's private parts: 24:31.

III. zāhara

1. + OBJ

zāharahū, to aid/support sb: 33:26/.

2. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. min]

a zāhara <sup>c</sup>alā l-amri, to provide aid/support in doing sth:

\*wa zāharū <sup>c</sup>alā ikhrājihim, And those who assisted [others] in expelling you: 60:9.

**b.** *zāhara r-rajulu mini mra'atihī*, (of a husband) to give a *zihār*divorce to one's wife: 33:4; 58:2, 3.

In pre-Islamic Arabia, when a man said to his wife, anti *calayya ka zahri ummī* ("You are to me like the back [*zahr*] of my mother") [*Kash.*, 3:226-27; 4:71]), his statement constituted a *zihār*-divorce, since he meant that he would no longer have sexual relations with her. The use of the word *zahr* was euphemistic.

Cf. 10 ('LY) IV.

3. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

zāharahū <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin, to aid/support sb against sb:

\*wa lam yuzāhirū <sup>c</sup>alaykum ahadan, And [those] who have not supported anyone against you: 9:4.

IV. azhara

+ OBJ + PREP [ $c_a l\bar{a}$ ]

azhara fulānan <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin, to grant sb/sth victory/dominance over sb/sth:

*\*li yuzhirahū <sup>c</sup>alā d-dīni kullihī*, In order that He may make it [Islam] dominant over all other religions: 9:33; 48:28; 61:9.

VI. tažāhara

1. VB

tazāharā, (of two persons) to join forces, team up: 28:48.

2. + PREP [ $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ]

tazāharū <sup>c</sup>alayhi, (of people) to make common cause against sb, team up against sb: 2:85; 66:4.

244. <sup>C</sup>B'

I. <sup>C</sup>aba'a

+ PREP [ba']

mā <sup>c</sup>aba'a bihī, not to care about/attach importance to sb/sth:

\*qul mā ya<sup>c</sup>ba'u bikum rabbī law lā  $du^{c}\bar{a}'ukum$ , Say, 'What does my Lord care about you, were it not for the fact that you are to be called [to the truth]!' 25:77.

 $M\bar{a}^{\ c}aba'tu \ bih\bar{i} \ shay'an$ , "I thought nothing of him/it";  $m\bar{a}^{\ c}ba'u \ bih\bar{i}$ , "What does he/it mean to me? [= he/it means nothing to me!]" Aq., 2:735. The translation of the phrase, law  $l\bar{a} \ du^{\ c}\bar{a}'kum$ , is based on Işlāhī's understanding of the verse (Tad., 4:623 [cf. Kash., 3:106]).

The  $m\bar{a}$  in the  $m\bar{a}$  <sup>c</sup>aba'a bihi may be construed as a negative or an interrogative particle.

## 245. CTW

I. <sup>C</sup>atā

+ PREP [Can]

*cata canhu*, to neglect/reject sth disdainfully:

\*wa <sup>C</sup>ataw <sup>C</sup>an amri rabbihim, And they haughtily defied the commandment of their Lord: 7:77.

Also:: 7:166; 51:44; 65:8.

<sup>C</sup>Atati r-rīhu, "(of wind) to be extremely violent." Ag., 2:743. Al-layl al-Cātī, "a very dark night." Asās, 408. The preposition <sup>c</sup>an gives the tadmīn-meaning of i<sup>c</sup>rād. Tad., 6:617.

#### 246. CThR

I. <sup>C</sup>athara

+ OBI + PREP  $[^{c}al\bar{a}]$ 

\*fa in <sup>c</sup>uthira <sup>c</sup>alā annahumā staḥaqqā ithman, If it is discovered that the two have been guilty of wrongdoing: 5:107.

<sup>c</sup>Athara <sup>c</sup>alā kadhā, "to come/light upon sth, learn about sth." Asās, 409. <sup>c</sup>Athara <sup>c</sup>alā s-sirri, "to learn of a secret." Tad., 2:377.

- IV. a<sup>c</sup>thara
  - + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

a<sup>c</sup>thara <sup>c</sup>alā sh-shay'i, to cause [sb] to find out/discover sth: \*wa kadhālika a<sup>c</sup>tharnā <sup>c</sup>alayhim, This is how We made [people] find out about them [= Sleepers in the Cave]: 18:21.

Asās, 409; Muf., 322.

#### 247. CJL

I. <sup>C</sup>ajila

1. VB

*c*ajila *l*-amra, to act before the proper time, anticipate a matter:

\*a <sup>C</sup>ajiltum amra rabbikum, Did you [mean to] anticipate the commandment of your Lord? 7:150.

Tadmin of sabaga. Kash., 2:94. Also, Asas, 410.

**2.** + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

*cajila Calayhi*, to be hasty in taking action against sb:

\*fa la ta<sup>c</sup>jal <sup>c</sup>alayhim, So do not [seek to] precipitate it [punishment] against them: 19:84.

IV. a<sup>c</sup>jala

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>an]

a<sup>c</sup>jalahū <sup>c</sup>anhu, to cause sb to leave/abandon sb/sth quickly/ hastily: CAyn

\**mā* a<sup>c</sup>jalaka <sup>c</sup>an qawmika, What made you come away from your people in such haste? 20:83.

The preposition  $^{c}an$  is not normally used with  $a^{c}$  jala, so some word will have to be posited as a tadmin (Tad., 4:211), e.g.  $ab^{c}ada$ .

# 248. CDD

- I. Cadda
- 1. + PREP [*lām*]

\*innamā na<sup>c</sup>uddu lahum <sup>c</sup>addan,

We are carefully counting [= recording] it for them: 19:84.

That is, everything they are saying or doing is being carefully recorded.

# **2.** + OBJ + PREP [*min*]

<sup>c</sup>addahū minhum, to count/include sb among a certain people: \*rijālan kunnā na<sup>c</sup>udduhum mina l-ashrāri, Men whom we used to count among the wicked: 38:62.

<sup>C</sup>Adadtu zaydan sādiqan, "I considered Zayd to be truthful." Aq., 2:751. Also, Zur<sup>C</sup>ah ibn <sup>C</sup>Amr, Ham., 4:1736/1.

# 249. <sup>C</sup>DL

I. <sup>C</sup>adala

+ OBJ

*Cadalahū*, to make sth proportionate/balanced: *\*fa Cadalaka*, And He made you balanced [of constitution]: 82:7.

Kash., 4:193: Fa <sup>c</sup>adalaka = fa sayyaraka mu<sup>c</sup>tadilan mutanāsiba l-khalqi min ghayri tafāwutin fihi.

#### 250. CDW

- I. <sup>C</sup>adā
- 1. + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

cada canhu, to disregard/bypass/ignore sth:

<sup>c</sup>Ayn

\*wa lā  $ta^{c}du^{c}aynaka^{c}anhum$ , And let not your eyes turn away from them [= do make them the object of your attention]: 18:28.

Aq., 2:754; Asās, 411.

V. ta<sup>c</sup>addā

+ OBJ

*ta<sup>c</sup>addā hudūda llāhi,* to overstep the limits prescribed by God: 2:229; 4:14; 65:1.

See also VIII below.

VIII. i<sup>c</sup>tadā

+ OBJ

i<sup>c</sup>tadā hudūda llāhi, to overstep the limits prescribed by God: 2:229.

See also V above.

251. CRJ

I. <sup>C</sup>araja

+ PREP [*ilā*]

*Caraja ilayhi I-amru,* (of a matter) to be referred/remitted to sb: 32:5.

Tad., 5:156. Kash., 3:219: Ya<sup>c</sup>ruju ilayhi, ay yaşīru ilayhi li yaḥkuma fīhi. See also 130 (R/<sup>c</sup>) 1.3.ii, 134 (RDD) 1.2.b.i, 220 (SYR) 1.

252. <sup>C</sup>RD

I. <sup>C</sup>arada

+ OBJ + PREP [cala]

*caradahū calavhi*, to offer sth to sb:

\*innā <sup>c</sup>araḍnā l-amānata <sup>c</sup>alā s-samāwāti wa l-arḍi, We offered the Trust to the heavens and the earth: 33:72.

See Kash., 3:249.

## 253. CRF

I. <sup>C</sup>arafa

+ OBJ

\* $ya^{C}rifunahu$  ka mā  $ya^{C}rifuna$  abnā'ahum, They recognize it [Qur'ān] just as they recognize their sons [= recognize it fully]: 2:146; 6:20.

Kash., 1:102: Ka mā ya<sup>c</sup>rifūna abnā'ahum: lā yashtabihu <sup>c</sup>alayhim abnā'uhum wa abnā'u ghayrihim. Zamakhsharī (ibid.) and others prefer to take the object pronoun in ya<sup>c</sup>rifūnahū to refer to the Prophet; Işlāhī (Tad., 1:327) takes it to refer to the Qur'ān. I have followed Işlāhī in translating the verse.

Cf. "to know sth like the back of one's hand."

#### 254. <sup>C</sup>RW

VIII. i<sup>c</sup>tarā

+ OB] + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

i<sup>c</sup>tarāhu bihī, to cause sb to become afflicted with sth:

*\*in naqūlu illā <sup>c</sup>tarāka bi sū'in,* All we can say is that one of our gods has given you an affliction: 11:54.

Kash., 2:221. Nāb., 76/16: dhakartu su<sup>c</sup>āda fa <sup>c</sup>taratnī sabābatun, "I remembered Su<sup>c</sup>ād, and I was overcome by an ardent longing." Also, Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 100/[1], [4].

## 255. CZZ

I. <sup>C</sup>azza

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

*c*azza *c*alayhi, (of sb/sth) to be difficult to control/handle/ overcome:

 $*a^{C}izzatin Cala I-kafirina,$  [They are] difficult for the disbelievers [to take advantage of]: 5:54 [n.].

\**cazīzun calayhi mā canittum,* Difficult for him to take is that which hurts you: 9:128.

\*wa mā anta <sup>c</sup>alaynā bi <sup>c</sup>azīzin, And you are not too much for us [to handle/control]: 11:91 [n.].

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\*a rahtī a<sup>c</sup>azzu <sup>c</sup>alaykum mina llāhi, Is my tribe more formidable to you than God? 11:92.

\*wa mā dhālika <sup>c</sup>alā llāhi bi <sup>c</sup>azīzin, And that is not difficult for God to do: 14:20 [n.]; 35:17.

5:54: Tad., 2:318-19. 11:91: Cf. Kash., 2:231. 14:20: Kash., 2:298.

<sup>C</sup>Azza <sup>C</sup>alayya an taf<sup>C</sup>ala kadhā, "That you should do so and so is difficult for me to take." Aq., 2:776; also, Asās, 418. Shamm., 131/8: la qawmun taṣābabtu l-ma<sup>C</sup>ishata ba<sup>C</sup>dahum/ a<sup>C</sup>azzu <sup>C</sup>alayya min <sup>C</sup>ifā'in taghayyarā, "The [departing of those] people after whom I have had [to content myself with] a meager livelihood is more difficult for me to take than the changed [color of my] long hair [= than my old age]." Also, Hass., 392/[2]; Mu<sup>C</sup>ādh ibn Juwayn at-Ṭā'ī, D. al-Khaw., 198/7, 10.

See also 192 (ShDD) 1.2.i.

#### 256. CZM

I. <sup>C</sup>azama

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>an]

*cazama l-amru,* (of a matter) to be decided finally:

\*fa idhā <sup>c</sup>azama l-amru, Then, a final decision having been made: 47:21.

See Aq., 2:778; Kash., 3:213. <sup>C</sup>Abd Qays ibn Khufāf, Mufaḍḍ., wa idhā <sup>C</sup>azamta <sup>C</sup>alā I-hawā fa tawakkalī, "And when you set your eyes on a goal, put you trust [in God]." Cf. Nāb., 106/6: wa inna d-dīna qad <sup>C</sup>azamā, "Now that I have made a resolve to perform my religious duty [= hajj.]

#### 257. <sup>C</sup>ShW

I. <sup>c</sup>ashā

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>an]

*Cashā Canhu*, to turn a blind eye to sth, ignore/neglect/shun sth: 43:36.

Cf. 270 (CMY) I.b.

CAyn

# 258. CSM

VIII. i<sup>c</sup>tașama

+ PREP [bā']

*i<sup>c</sup>taṣama bi ḥabli llāhi*, to hold fast to the rope [= abide by the covenant] of God: 3:103.

The habl ("rope") represents the Qur'an, which is the covenant between God and man. To hold fast to the rope of God is thus to hold fast to the Qur'an. Tad., 1:755. Also, Kash., 1:206. Cf. CAnt., 258/[5]. Cf. 360 (MSK) X.

259. CSY

I. <sup>C</sup>a ș ā

+ PREP

\*Casaynā: 2:93; 4:46: see 183 (SM<sup>C</sup>) 1.1.iii.

260. CDD

I. <sup>c</sup>adda

1. + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

*Cadda Cala yadayhi*, to bite one's hands [in remorse, anger, etc.]: 25:27.

Kash., 3:95.

Qays, 157/8:  $ya^{c}addu ^{c}al\bar{a} atrāfih\bar{i}$ , "He was biting his fingers [in surprise and helplessness]." Nāfi<sup>c</sup> ibn al-Azraq, D. al-Khaw., 207/4: wa lan yantahū hattā ya<sup>c</sup>addū l-aṣābi<sup>c</sup>ā, "And they are not going to stop until they bite their fingers." Also, A<sup>c</sup>shā, 221/13 (cited at 199 (ShFY) I); <sup>c</sup>Ant., 225/[7], 245/[7]; Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 95/[2], 150/[3]. Cf. A<sup>c</sup>shā, 363/41.

See also 316 (QLB) 11.2.a, and cf. the English idiom, "to wring one's hands." Cf. also 2 below, with n.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

 $C_{adda} C_{alayhi} an \overline{a} milah \overline{u}$ , to bite one's fingers at sb [= be enraged at sb]: 3:119.

An angry or remorseful person is represented as biting one's fingers or thumb (Kash., 1:213: Yuşafu l-mughtāzu bi <sup>c</sup>addi l-anāmili wa l-banāni wa l-ibhāmi).

Nab., 200/23: wa law anni  $u\bar{u}^{c}uka$  fi  $um\bar{u}rin/cadadtu$ anamili wa qara<sup>c</sup>tu sinni, "If ever I listen to you in any matter, may I bite my hands [lit: fingers] [in remorse] and gnash my teeth." Cf. the English idiom, "to bite one's (finger-)nails." See also 1 above, with n.

#### 261. CTL

II. <sup>C</sup>attala

+ OBJ

*cattala I-ibilā*, to let camels go untended:

\*wa idhā l-<sup>c</sup>ishāru <sup>c</sup>uțțilat, And when ten-month pregnant shecamels will be abandoned: 81:4.

> Ten-month pregnant she-camels are precious to their owners, but the panic of the Last Day, the verse is saying, will cause the owners to neglect even their prized possessions. <sup>C</sup>Uttilati 1-ibilu, "(of camels) to be left without a camel-

tender. Asās, 426; also Aq., 2:797; Kash., 4:188.

#### 262. CFW

- I. <sup>c</sup>afā
- 1. VB

i. *cafa*, to give up/forego [e.g. one's right]: 2:237.

ii. Cafa l-qawmu, (of a people) to thrive/flourish: \*hatta Cafaw, Until they throve and prospered: 7:95.

<sup>C</sup>Afā sha<sup>c</sup>ru *l*-ba<sup>c</sup>īri, "(of a camel's hair) to grow and become long, covering the animal's posterior"; <sup>c</sup>afati *l*-ardu, "(of the earth) to be covered with vegetation"; <sup>c</sup>afā sh-sha<sup>c</sup>ra, "to let one's hair grow and become long." Aq., 2:804.

2. fa man <sup>c</sup>ufiya lahū min akhīhi shay'un, If, then, a person is granted an exemption by his brother: 2:178.

Like a number of other verses, 2:178 has been categorized as + OBJ for technical reasons, for shay' is not the object of Cafa, Cafa sh-shay'a being unattested in Arabic (Kash., 1:100: Li anna cafa la yata cadda ila maf culin bi la wasitatin). For an explanation of the use of shay' in the verse, see ibid.

263. CQB

II. <sup>c</sup>aqqaba VB

1. *Caggaba*, to look back:

\*walla mudbiran wa lam yu<sup>c</sup>aqqib, He [Moses] turned around, retreating, and did not look back: 27:10, 28:31.

Muf., 340; Kash., 3:134.

2. + OBJ

\**lā mu<sup>c</sup>aqqiba li-hukmihī*, No one can revoke/change His decree/verdict: 13:41.

Muf., 340; Kash., 2:291.

III. Cāgaba

VB

*caqaba*, to get one's turn:

\*fa <sup>c</sup>āgabtum, And [if later on] you get your turn/chance: 60:11.

<sup>c</sup>Āgabtum: sārati I-<sup>c</sup>ugbā lakum. Tad., 7:342.

#### 264. <sup>C</sup>QD

I. <sup>c</sup>aqada VB

*cagadati l-yamīnu*, (of an oath/pact) to be made:

\*wa lladhina <sup>c</sup>aqadat aymānukum, And those with whom you have made a pact: 4:33.

II. <sup>c</sup>aggada

+ OBJ

caggada I-yamīna, to swear a solemn oath:

\*wa lākin yu'ākhidhukum bi mā <sup>c</sup>aqqadtumu l-aymāna, He will, however, hold you responsible for the oaths you have sworn solemnly: 5:89. <sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Kulthūm, Qas., 414/59: wa nūjadu nahnu amna<sup>C</sup>ahum dhimāran/wa awfāhum idhā <sup>C</sup>aqadū yamīnā, "When people swear oaths [to protect honor and show loyalty], it is we who are found to be the best of them in protecting honor and being loyal/fulfilling pledges."

#### 265. CKF

- I. <sup>C</sup>akafa
- 1. VB

*cakafa*, to be in a state of *ictikaf*:

\*wa antun <sup>c</sup>ākifūna fī l-masājid, While you are in a state of  $i^{c}tikaf$  in mosques: 2:187.

Also: 2:125 [act pt; n.].

I<sup>c</sup>tikāf is to stay in the mosque for a certain period of time, devoting oneself to worship (Kash., 1:116: An yaḥbisa nafsahū fī I-masjidi yata<sup>c</sup>abbadu fīhi; also, Aq., 2:816]). 2:125: See Kash., 1:93.

a. <sup>c</sup>akafa <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to adhere/cling/be devoted/be attached to sth: \*fa ataw <sup>c</sup>alā qawmin ya<sup>c</sup>kufūna <sup>c</sup>alā aṣnāmin lahum, Then they came upon a people who were devotees of certain idols they had: 7:138.

Also: 20:91 [act pt], 97 [act pt].

<sup>C</sup>Amr ibn Kulthūm, Qaş., 393/24: taraknā l-khayla <sup>C</sup>ākifatan <sup>C</sup>alayhi, "We left horses/horsemen standing over him." Also, <sup>C</sup>Ant., 255/[3]. See n. to b below.

**b.** *cakafa lahū*, to adhere/cling/be devoted/be attached to sth firm-ly:

\*mā hādhihī t-tamāthīlu llatī antum lahā <sup>C</sup>ākifūna, What are these images you are so firmly devoted to: 21:52.

Also: 26:71 [act pt].

Both a and b signify attachment for something, but there seems to be a difference: a implies the outward form of that attachment, irrespective of whether the attachment is deep or not (tadmin of waqafa or habasa), whereas b, with the

<sup>2. +</sup> PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. lām]

preposition  $l\bar{a}m$  (which suggests a tadmin-word like inqāda or adh<sup>c</sup>ana), implies true attachment. The contexts of the verses lend support to this distinction. For example, in 7:138 (a), the Israelites, after crossing the river, come upon a people who were "devoted" to certain deities. The verse reports the initial observation of the Israelites, who noted the outward form of the idolators' devotion—hence <sup>c</sup>akafa <sup>c</sup>alayhi.</sup> In 21:52 (b), Abraham, who has lived in the midst of his people for a long time and so knows how deeply devoted they are to their idols, criticizes them—hence <sup>c</sup>akafa lahū.

# 266. CLM

- I. <sup>c</sup>alima
- 1. VB

allahu ya<sup>c</sup>lamu, God knows!

\*rabbunā ya<sup>c</sup>lamu innā ilaykum la mursalūna, God knows that we have been sent to you as messengers! 36:16.

In certain contexts, as here, allāhu ya<sup>c</sup>lamu (or <sup>c</sup>alima llāhu) represents an oath, in the sense of "God is a witness to it!" See *Tad.*, 5:412. In 9:42 and 63:1, wa llāhu ya<sup>c</sup>lamu is not an oath as such, but, occurring as it does in contexts of oath-taking, it may be said to be marked by ambiguity, and aptly so. Muḥriz ibn al-Muka<sup>c</sup>bir, Ham., 2:573/2: wa llāhu ya<sup>c</sup>lamu bi ş-ṣammāni mā jashimū, "God knows [= God is a witness to] the effort they [horsemen] made over [= in crossing] the rugged terrain!" Also, Hāt., 203/15, 17; Hass., 312/[1], 422/[1]; al-Hārith ibn <sup>c</sup>Ubād, Aṣm., 71/2; <sup>c</sup>Imrān ibn Hiṭṭān, D. al-Khaw., 126/2 [no. 172].

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [a.  $Cal\bar{a}$ ; b. min]

a. \* $m\bar{a}$  <sup>c</sup>alimn $\bar{a}$  <sup>c</sup>alayhi min s $\bar{u}$ 'in, We are aware of no evil on his part: 12:51.

**b.** *Calima sh-shay'a mina sh-shay'i*, to know one thing from another:

*\*illā li na<sup>c</sup>lama man yattabi<sup>c</sup>u r-rasūla min man yanqalibu <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>aqibayhi, Only in order that We may tell the one who follows the Messenger from the one who goes back on his heels: 2:143.* 

\*wa llāhu ya<sup>c</sup>lamu l-mufsid mina l-muşlihi, And God knows the corrupter from the reformer: 2:220.

Also: 34:21.

<sup>c</sup>Ayn

See Tad., 1:321. The preposition min suggests the tadmin of mayyaza.

267. <sup>C</sup>LW

I. <sup>C</sup>a lā

1. VB

*calā fulānun,* to be/become defiant/rebellious:

\*inna fir<sup>c</sup>awna <sup>c</sup>alā fi l-ardi, Indeed Pharaoh had become rebellious in the land: 28:4.

Also: 10:83 [act pt]; 17:4; 23:46 [act pt]; 38:75 [act pt]

2. + OBJ

*<sup>c</sup>alā* sh-shay'a, to have power over sth:

\*wa li yutabbirū mā <sup>c</sup>alaw tatbīran, And so that they might annihilate whatever they laid their hands on [lit: whatever they gained control of]: 17:7 [obj und].

**3.** + PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā] <sup>C</sup>alā <sup>C</sup>alayhi:

i. to attack/overwhelm sb: 23:91.

ii. to defy sb: 27:31; 44:19.

VI. ta<sup>c</sup>ālā

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>an]

ta<sup>c</sup>ālā <sup>c</sup>anhu, to be too exalted to be associated with sth:

\*wa ta<sup>c</sup>ālā llāhu <sup>c</sup>ammā yasi<sup>c</sup>fūna, And God is far above what they attribute to Him: 6:100.

Also: 7:190; 10:18; 16:1, 3; 17:43; 23:92; 27:63; 28:68; 30:40; 39:67.

VIII. ista<sup>C</sup>lā

VB

ista<sup>c</sup>la, to be victorious: 20:64/.

268. <sup>C</sup>ML

I. <sup>c</sup>a m i l a + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā] <sup>c</sup>amila <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to act in a certain way:

The following two expressions— $^{C}amila \ ^{C}al\bar{a} \ mak\bar{a}natih\bar{i}$  and  $^{C}amila \ ^{C}al\bar{a} \ sh\bar{a}kilatih\bar{i}$ —have essentially the same meaning: to act in the manner one is accustomed to. The two seem to differ in respect of usage, however: the former is often used in Arabic in imperative constructions (e.g.  $^{C}al\bar{a} \ mak\bar{a}natika \ y\bar{a} \ ful\bar{a}nu \ [Kash., 2:41]$ ), and so it has been used in the Qur'an, while the latter has been used in the Qur'an—quite appropriately—with proverbial force.

(a)  $*i^{c}mal\bar{u}$  calā makānatikum innī cāmilun, Say, "You stick to your ways, I shall stick [to mine]": 6:135; 11:93; 39:39. [Prep phr calā makānatī und after cāmil in all.]

Also: 11:121 [prep phr <sup>c</sup>alā makānatinā und].

See Kash., 2:41-42, 239; 3:348. Also, ibid., 2:232.

(b) \*qul kullun ya<sup>c</sup>malu <sup>c</sup>alā shākilatihī, Say, 'Everyone acts/behaves in the way he is accustomed to': 17:84.

Kash., 2:373.

ii. to administer sth, be in charge of sth:

\*wa *l*- $c\bar{a}milina calayha, And$  [for] those who are engaged in its management [= collection and distribution of *zakat*]: 9:60.

<sup>C</sup>Amila <sup>C</sup>alā s-sadaqati, "to be engaged in the collection of zakāt." Aq., 2:831. Also, Kash., 2:158.

## 269. <sup>C</sup>MH

I. <sup>C</sup>amiha

1. VB

*camiha,* to wander about [in a state of misguidance]: 2:15 [n.]; 27:4.

2:15 is given here, rather than at 2 below, because the prepositional phrase (*fi tughyānihim*) goes not with with <sup>c</sup>amiha, but with *yamudduhum* (see 353 (MDD) 1.3.a).

**2.** + PREP [*fi*]

*camiha fī tughyānihī*, to blunder about in one's rebelliousness: 6:110; 7:186; 10:11; 15:72.

Asās, 436; Aq., 2:833.

<sup>C</sup>Ayn

#### See also 338 (LJJ) 1, and 353 (MDD) 1.3.a.

## 270. CMY

I. <sup>c</sup>amiya

+ PREP [a. cala; b. min]

a. <sup>C</sup>amiya <sup>C</sup>alayhi l-amru, be confused about sth, not to know what to make of sth:

\*fa <sup>c</sup>amiyat <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-anbā'u yawma'idhin, On that day they will be in a state of total confusion: 28:66 [n.].

\*wa huwa <sup>c</sup>alayhim <sup>c</sup>amān, And it [Qur'ān] has became a veil to them: 41:44.

Asas, 436; Aq., 2:833. Also, Tad., 4:832.

28:6: Kash., 3:176: Fa ṣārati I-anbā'u ka I-<sup>c</sup>amā <sup>c</sup>alayhim lā tahtadī ilayhim.

Cf. 337 (LBS) 1.3.a.

**b.** *camiya minhu,* to be blind to sth: 27:66 [act pt].

Cf. 257 (CShW) 1.

II. <sup>c</sup>ammā

+ OB] + PREP  $[^{c}a\bar{a}]$ 

camma calayhi l-amra, to hide/keep sth from sb:

\*fa <sup>c</sup>ummiyat <sup>c</sup>alaykum, And [if] it [divine mercy] were kept from you: 11:28.

The word rahmah, which is here taken to be the subject of the passive <sup>c</sup>ummiyat, precedes the phrase in the same verse. The word bayyinah (which, too, occurs in the verse) may also be regarded as the subject. Cf. Kash., 2:213.

# 271. CWD

I. cāda

1. VB

cāda, to revert [to one's ways] resume/restart [sth]:

\*wa in <sup>c</sup>udtum <sup>c</sup>udnā, And if you are at it again, We shall be at it again: 17:8 [n.]

17:8: Kash., 2:120: Wa in  $ta^{c}\bar{u}d\bar{u}$  li muhārabatihī na<sup>c</sup>ud li nuṣratihī <sup>c</sup>alaykum. Cf. Mu<sup>c</sup>āwiyah ibn Mālik, Mufaḍḍ., 696/ 7: wa idhā  $ta^{c}\bar{u}du$  na<sup>c</sup> $\bar{u}d\bar{u}$ , "And if it [our tribe] does it again [= burdens us with something], we shall do it again, too [= we shall again be willing to bear the burden]."

# 2. + PREDICATE

cāda kadhā, to become so and so:

\*hattā <sup>c</sup>āda ka l-<sup>c</sup>urjūņi l-qadīmi, Until it assumes the form of an old, withered-up twig: 36:39.

<sup>C</sup>Āda here has the meaning of sāra. Abū Dhu'ayb, D. al-Hudh., 1:37/2: tanakkara hattā <sup>C</sup>āda aswada ka l-jidhlī, "He had changed, becoming black like the stump of a tree."

3. + PREP [*lām*]

*cāda li l-amri,* to go back to sth, do sth again:

\*wa law ruddū la  $c\bar{a}d\bar{u}$  li mā nuhū  $canh\bar{u}$ , And even if they were to be sent back, they would revert to the ways they were told to shun: 6:28.

Also: 24:17; 58:3, 8.

IV. a <sup>c</sup>āda

VB

mā yubdi'u wa mā yu<sup>c</sup>īdu: see 14 (BD') IV.

# GhAYN

### 272. GhDW

I. ghadā

**1.** VB

\*ghuduwwuhā shahrun, Its [wind's, hence: ships'] outward passage lasted a month: 34:12.

> *Chadā* originally meant "to go out in the morning," but it also came to mean simply "to go." Aq., 2:863. Ughdu <sup>c</sup>annī, "Go away from me." Asās, 446. See also 147 (RWH) I, with n.

2. + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

\*ani ghd $\overline{u}$  <sup>c</sup>al $\overline{a}$  harthikum, Get to your field in the morning: 68:22.

On the use of the preposition  $cal\bar{a}$  instead of *ilā* in the verse, see Kash., 4:129.

273. GhShY

I. ghashiya

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

ghushiya <sup>C</sup>alayhi, to lose consciousness:

\*ka lladhī yughshā <sup>c</sup>alayhi mina l-mawti, As if he is going off in a mortal faint: 33:19. Ghayn

\*yanzurūna ilayka nazara l-maghshiyyi <sup>c</sup>alayhi mina l-mawti, They look at you with the eyes of one who is in a mortal daze: 47:20.

- II. g h a s h s h ā
   + OBJ + OBJ
   ghashshāhu n-nu<sup>c</sup>āsa, to cause sb to become drowsy: 8:11.
  - V. taghashshā + OBI

taghashshā r-rajulu l-mar'ata, (of a man) to have sexual intercourse with a woman: 7:189.

Kash., 2:108.

X. istaghshā

+ OBJ

istaghshā thiyabahū, to wrap one's clothes about oneself/fold one's garments around oneself [in order to leave] [= to show indifference]: 11:5; 71:7.

The image is that of person who is presented with a message but who, instead of listening to it, wraps his garments around himself and takes off, thus showing indifference to what is being said. Zamakhsharī (Asās, 451) explains istaghshi thawbaka as: kay lā tasma<sup>c</sup>a wa lā tarā. (See also Kash., 4:141-42.) Rāghib (Muf., 361) says that the expression is a metonym for <sup>c</sup>adw ("to hasten/speed away").

Cf. jā'a lābisan udhunayhi (Aq., 2:1125), and the English, "to shake the dust off one's feet."

## 274. GhDD

1. ghadda

+ OBI

i. ghaḍḍa baṣarahū, to lower one's gaze [out of modesty]: 24:30, 31.

Ham., 4:1613/1: karīmun yaghuddu t-tarfa fadla hayā'ihī, "He is a noble man: out of his great modesty, he keeps his gaze lowered." Also, <sup>C</sup>Ant., 262/[2]. Cf. Ka<sup>C</sup>b, 6/[2], 89/[4]: ghadīd at-tarf, "languid-eyed"; also, <sup>C</sup>Ant., 204/[2]. Cf. also two related meanings of the idiom: (1) to keep one's eyes lowered in recognition of one's humble status (as in Fāṭimah bint al-Aḥjam al-Khuzā<sup>c</sup>iyyah, *Ḥam.*, 2:911/6, and Bishr ibn Abi Kḥāzim, *Mufaḍḍ.*, 651/8); and (2) to make a conscious attempt to avoid looking at someone (as in A<sup>c</sup>shā, 115/5 [see also ibid., 129/13]). Cf. also the expression, *qaṭta<sup>c</sup>a ṭ-ṭarfa*, as in Tirimmāh, Krenk., 1:228/3.

Cf. 311 (QSR) I.ii.

ii. ghaḍḍa ṣ-ṣawta, to keep one's voice low, speak softly/gently: 31:19; 49:3.

275. GhLB

I. ghalaba

+ PREP [<sup>C</sup>alā]

ghalaba <sup>C</sup>alayhi:

i. to have control of sth:

\*wa llāhu ghālibun <sup>c</sup>alā amrihī, And God has complete control of His affairs [= is fully capable of executing His plans]: 12:21.

ii. to prevail in a matter, have things one's way:

\*qāla lladhīna ghalabū <sup>c</sup>alā amrihim, Those who prevailed in the matter said: 18:21.

iii. to overwhelm/overpower sb:

\*ghalabat <sup>c</sup>alaynā shiqwatunā, Our wretchedness got the better of us: 23:106.

> Kash., 3:57: Ghalabat <sup>c</sup>alaynā: malakatnā—min qawlika, ghalabanī fulānun <sup>c</sup>alā kadhā, idhā akhadhahū minka wa mtalakahū.

> Nab., 154/9: fa in taghlib shaqawatukum <sup>c</sup>alaykum/fa innī fī şalāhikumū sa<sup>c</sup>aytū, "If your wretchedness has gotten the better of you, then I, for one, tried to set matters right for you.

## 276. GhLZ

I. ghaluza

1. VB

ghaluza qalbuhū, (of sb's heart) to become hard:

\*wa law kunta fazzan ghaliza l-qalbi, And had you been rude, hard-hearted: 3:159.

# See also 309 (QSW) I.

# **2.** + PREP $[^{C}a|\bar{a}]$

ghaluza <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to be strict/severe with sb: 9:73; 66:9.

*Chaluza <sup>c</sup>alā khasmihī*, "to be severe with one's enemy." *Asās*, 454. Hass., 96/[1]:  $ra' \bar{u} fin <sup>c</sup>alā l-adnā ghalīzin <sup>c</sup>alā l-<sup>c</sup>idā, He [caliph <sup>c</sup>Umar] was kind to those who were close, severe with those who were distant [= kind to friends/believers, severe with enemies/unbelievers."$ 

## 277. GhLL '

I. ghalla

1. + OBJ

*ghullat yaduhū*, to be in straitened circumstances [lit: (of sb's hands) to be tied]:

\*wa qālati l-yahūdu yadu llāhi maghlūlatun ghullat aydīhim, And the Jews say, 'God is reduced to poverty!' May they be reduced to poverty! 5:64.

Tad., 2:326.

The image is that of a person whose hands have been tied/chained by poverty. See n. to 2 below.

**2.** + OBJ + OBJ + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

*ja<sup>c</sup>ala yadahū maghlūlatan ilā <sup>c</sup>unuqihī,* to be very stingy/ tightfisted [lit: to have one's hands tied/chained to one's neck:

\*wa lā taj<sup>c</sup>al yadaka maghlūlatan ilā <sup>c</sup>unuqika, And do not be stingy/tightfisted: 17:29.

Challa fulānan, "to put chains on sb's hands/around sb's neck." Aq., 2:883. Maghlūl al-yad, "stingy/miserly person." Muf., 363. Cf. 299 (QBD) 1.2.

# 278. GhLW

- 1. ghalā
  - + PREP [fi]

ghalā fī l-amri, to exceed the proper limits in a matter:

Ghayn

\*  $l\bar{a}$  taghl $\bar{u}$  fi dinikum, Do not go to extravagant lengths in respect of your religion: 4:171; 5:77.

See also 230 (TGhW) 1.2.

### 279. GhMD

IV. aghmada

+ PREP [*fi*]

aghmada fihi, to have reservations about sth, balk at sth [lit: to close one's eves to sth]:

\*wa lastum bi ākhidhīhi illā an tughmidū fīhi, When you yourselves would not accept it with a good grace [lit: would not take it except if you were to close your eyes—i.e. reluctantly]: 2:267.

Aghmada <sup>c</sup>aynayhi, "to close one's eyes." Aq., 2:887. One closes one's eyes to something when one dislikes it, considers it unworthy, or for some reason wants to disregard it. Aghmada fi s-sil<sup>c</sup>ati means: to seek to beat down the price of a thing or demand a greater quantity of it in view of its poor quality. Ibid., 2:887. Also, Asās, 456-57; Maj., 1:83; Kash., 1:162. Al-Hārith ibn Hillizah al-Yashkurī, Qas., 449/30: aw sakattum <sup>c</sup>annā fa kunnā ka man agh-/mada <sup>c</sup>aynan fi jafnihā aqdhā'ū, "Or, if you stop talking about [= criticizing] us, we shall become like one who closes his eyes, there being motes in his eyes [= we shall overlook the excesses you have committed]." Also, Ţirimmāḥ, Krenk., 86/31.

## 280. GhNY

I. ghaniya

+ PREP [<sup>C</sup>an]

ghaniya <sup>c</sup>anhu, be able to dispense with sth, not need sb/sth:

\*wa man kafara fa inna llāha ghaniyyun <sup>c</sup>ani l-<sup>c</sup>ālamīna, And he who disbelieves—God does not need the beings/creatures of the world! 3:97.

Also: 29:6 [act pt]; 39:7 [act pt].

IV. aghnā

**1.** VB

aghnā, to be of use/avail: 53:26; 54:5.

2. + OBJ

aghnāhu, to make sb indifferent [to sth by causing him to become engrossed in sth else]:

\*li kulli mri'in minhum yawma'idhin sha'nun yughnihi, Every man on that day will be in a state that will [so engross him as to] render him indifferent [to others]: 80:37.

3. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>an; b. min]

**a.** aghnā <sup>C</sup>anhu, to be of use/avail to sb, stand sb in good stead: 7:48; 8:19; 9:25; 10:101; 11:101; 15:84; 19:42; 26:207; 36:23; 39:50; 40:82; 44:41; 45:10; 46:26; 52:46; 69:28; 92:11; 111:2.

Nāb., 152/1: wa mā yughnī <sup>c</sup>ani l-hadathāni laytū, "And [saying the word] 'Alas!' is of no avail against misfortune."

**b.** aghnā mina sh-shay'i:

i. to be of avail against sth: 77:31; 88:7.

ii. to render sth dispensable by serving as its substitute:

\*inna z-zanna la yughni mina l-ḥaqqi shay'an, Conjecture is no substitute for truth: 10:36; 53:28.

4. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

to be of avail to sb against sth, ward sth off from sb:

\*hal antum mughnūna <sup>c</sup>annā naṣīban mina n-nāri, Will you save us from some of the fire? 40:47.

Nasīban in the verse can be interpreted in more than one way. <sup>C</sup>Ukbarī (2:219) prefers to take aghnā as carrying the tadmīn of mana<sup>c</sup>a or dafa<sup>c</sup>a, thus making nasīban an object. <sup>C</sup>Urwah ibn al-Ward, Asm., 44/5.

5. + PREP  $[^{C}an]$  + PREP [min]

aghnā <sup>c</sup>anhu minhu, to be of avail to sb against sb/sth, save sb from sb/sth: 3:10, 116; 12:67, 68; 14:21 [act pt]; 45:19; 58:17; 66:10.

X.istaghnā VB

istaghnā:

i. (of God) to be in no need [of anyone/anything], be sufficient to Himself: 64:6.

ii. (of a human being) to think that one is sufficient to oneself, be complacent/self-satisfied: 80:5; 92:8; 96:7.

Ghayn

# 281. GhYR

II. ghayyara + OBI

ghayyara khalqa llāhi, to warp [lit: alter] the mold of God [= to vitiate the nature of things as created by God]: 4:119.

Tad., 2:162; Kash., 1:299. The word khalq in the verse means khilqah. Cf. 390 (NKS) 11.

FÃ'

282. FTH

I. fataha

1. + OBJ fatahahū:

i. to release sb:

\* hattā idhā futihat ya'jūju wa ma'jūju, Until, when Gog and Magog are set at large: 21:96.

ii. to grant sth:

\*ma yaftahi llāhu li n-nāsi min rahmatin fa lā mumsika lahā, The blessings that God grants to people there is no one to withhold: 35:2.

2. + PREP [a. bayna; b. lām]

**a.** *fataha baynahum*, to decide between people/between parties to an issue: 7:89 [twice, once act pt; prep phr after act pt und]; 26:118; 34:26.

Fataha I-hākimu bayna n-nāsi, "(of a ruler/judge) to judge between people." Aq., 2:899.

b. fataha lahū, to grant victory to sb: 48:1.

**3.** + OBJ + PREP [Calā] fatahahū Calayhi:

i. to disclose/reveal sth to sb:

\*a tuḥaddithūnahum bi mā fataḥa llāhu <sup>c</sup>alaykum, Would you apprise them of what God has disclosed to you? 2:76 [obj und].

ii. to give sth to sb in abundant measure:

\*fatahna <sup>c</sup>alayhim abwaba kulli shay'in, We provided them with all things in great measure [lit: We opened the gates of everything for them]: 6:44.

\*la fataḥnā <sup>c</sup>alayhim barakātin mina s-samā'i wa l-arḍi, We would have showered them with [lit: opened up for them] blessings from the heaven and the earth: 7:96.

Kash., 2:14 (on 6:44), 78 (on 7:96).

II. fattaha

+ OB] + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

\*lā tufattaņu lahum abwābu s-samā'i, No heavenly gates shall be opened for them: 7:38.

The expression can have two meanings. One, that the people in question shall not be admitted into paradise, samā' being the samā' al-jannah; this is the literal meaning. Two, that they shall not be welcome in the heavens, samā' being the heavens as such; this is the idiomatic meaning. Taken in the idiomatic sense, the verse would not negate the idea that the people in question shall not be admitted into the heavens at all, only that they shall not be received in them with open arms. In other words, the expression does not represent negation of an act (nafy al-fi<sup>C</sup>I), but a negation of the corollary or lāzim of the act (cf. 183 (SM<sup>C</sup>) V, n.). Tad., 2:633. Cf. Kash., 2:62.

#### 283. FTN

I. fatana

+ OB] + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b. can]

a. fatanahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to incite/instigate sb against sb:

\**mā* antum <sup>c</sup>alayhi bi fātinīna illā man huwa ṣāli l-jaḥīmi, You are not going to be able to persuade anyone to rebel against Him except those who are destined for hell: 37:162-63.

Tadmin of hamala or aghra.

# b. fatanahū <sup>c</sup>ani sh-shay'i, to entice/allure sb away from sth:

\*wa hdharhum an yaftinūka <sup>c</sup>an ba<sup>c</sup>di mā anzala llāhu ilayka, And be on your guard against them, lest they should distract you from some of what God has revealed to you: 5:49.

Also: 17:73.

Fatana fulānan <sup>c</sup>an ra'yihī, "to divert/dissuade sb from his view/opinion." Aq., 2:901. Tadmīn of sarafa.

#### 284. FRT

I. farața

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

farata <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to take swift action against sb:

*\*innanā nakhāfu an yafruta <sup>c</sup>alaynā,* We are afraid lest he should make a swift move against us: 20:45.

When followed by  $c_{al\bar{a}}$ , farata means "to take quick/ speedy/hasty action against sb." Tad., 4:191. Farata calayhi: cajila wa cadā. Aq., 2:917; also, Asās, 471. Cf. Muf., 377.

#### 285. FRGh

#### I. faragha

1. VB

*\*wa aṣbaḥa fu'ādu ummi mūsā fārighan,* And the heart of Moses' mother knew no peace: 28:10.

The image is that of a vessel that has been emptied of the liquid contained in it: *faragha z-zarfu*, "(of a container) to become empty" Aq., 2:919. The heart of Moses' mother was thus "drained of peace." See also Muf., 377.

## 2. + PREP [*lām*]

faragha lah $\overline{u}$ , to [disengage oneself from everything else in order to] pay full attention to sth: 55:31.

The expression in this verse constitutes a threat: "to pay full attention" to a criminal is to punish him severely. See Kash., 4:52. IV. afragha

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

afragha <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-shay'a, to give sth to sb in abundant measure: \*rabbanā afrigh <sup>c</sup>alaynā sabran, Our Lord, give us the power of endurance in great measure: 2:250; 7:126.

Faragha <sup>C</sup>alayhi l-mā'a, "to pour water on sb/sth"; afragha l-mā'a, "to pour water." Aq., 2:919. Also, Kash., 2:82-83.

286. FRQ

- I. faraqa
  - + OBJ
- i. to apportion sth:

\*wa faraqnā l-qur'āna, And We have portioned out [= revealed in portions] the Qur'ān: 17:106.

ii. to decide a matter: 44:4 [pass].

II. farraga

+ PREP [bayna]

*farraqa baynahum*, to draw distinctions between people, put people in different categories, accord preference to some people over others:

\*lā nufarriqu bayna aḥadin minhum, We do not make any distinctions between any of them [= we believe in all prophets]: 2:136; 3:84.

\*wa yurīdūna an yufarriqū bayna llāhi wa rasūlihī, And they mean to draw a distinction between [the commands of] God and [the commands of] His messenger: 4:150.

Also: 2:285; 4:152.

<sup>C</sup>Ant., 89/[2]: wa lam tufarriqū bayna d-dalālati wa r-rushdi, "And you made no distinction between right and wrong."

# 287. FRY

VIII. iftarā

1. + OBJ

\*sihrun muftaran, A cleverly devised piece of magic: 28:36 [n.].

# \*ifkun muftaran, A blatant lie: 34:43. Also: 10:37 [pass]; 12:111 [pass]; 16:105; 21:5; 25:4.

28:36: See also 3 (ThR) I, and 356 (MRR) VIII.

# 2. + OBJ + PREP [bayna]

iftarā buhtānan bayna yadayhi wa rijlayhi, to make a false accusation of a sexual nature [lit: pertaining to that which is between one's hands and feet]: 60:12.

Following Islahi (Tad., 7:343-44).

#### 288. FZC

II. fazza<sup>c</sup>a

+ OBJ + PREP  $[^{c}an]$ 

\*hattā idhā fuzzi<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>an qulūbihim, Until, when fear is taken out of their hearts: 34:23.

Tadmin of kashafa or azāla. See Ag., 2:923; Muf., 379.

## 289. FSH

- I. fasaha
- 1. VB

fasaha, to make room [for sb]: 58:11 [fa fsahū; see 2 below].

**2.** + PREP [*lam*]

fasaha lahū, to make room for sb:

\*fa fsahū yafsahi llāhu lakum, Make room [for others], God will make room for you: 58:11.

The second use of the verb (*yafsah*) is obviously metaphorical, the meaning being that God will cause others to be kindly disposed toward you in this world and will give you His blessings in the next. *Kash.*, 4:75. Cf. Tad., 7:262.

V. tafassaha

+ PREP [fi]

\*idhā qīla lakum tafassahū fī l-majālisi, When it is said to you, 'Make room in meeting-places/gathering-places': 58:11.

# 290. FSL

I. fașala

+ PREP [bayna]

fașala baynahum, to decide [a matter] between people: 22:17; 32:25; 60:3.

291. FDL

V. tafaḍḍala

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

tafaddala <sup>C</sup>alayhim, to gain dominance over people:

\*yuridu an yatafaddala<sup>C</sup>alaykum, He intends to gain dominance over you/to become your chief/leader: 23:24.

## 292. FDW

IV. afda

+ PREP [*ilā*]

afdā r-rajulu ilā l-mar'ati, (of a man) to have sexual relations with a woman:

\*wa qad afḍā ba<sup>c</sup>ḍukum ilā ba<sup>c</sup>ḍin, When you have already had sexual relations with each other: 4:21.

Fadā' is "yard, area." Afdā ilāyhi means literally "to enter sb's territory" (Aq., 2:932; cf. ashara, "to go into a desert" [Asās, 476]). Afdā r-rajulu ilā l-mar'ati means literally: (of a man) to meet a woman in private (cf. khalā bihā [Muf., 382]), and hence: to have sexual relations with a woman. See also Tad., 2:42.

293. FCL

- I. fa<sup>c</sup>ala
- 1. + OB

fa<sup>c</sup>ala z-zakāta, to pay zakāt regularly: 23:4.

Zamakhsharī (Kash., 3:43) distinguishes between zakāt as  $^{c}ayn$  (= the amount of zakāt paid) and zakāt as  $ma^{c}na$  (=  $fi^{c}l$  az-zakāh), taking the use in 23:4 as an instance of the latter (hence:  $fa^{c}il$  az-zakāh =  $fa^{c}il$   $fi^{c}l$  az-zakāh). But perhaps

another interpretation is possible. It may be said that the use of  $fa^{C}ala$ , instead of  $\bar{a}t\bar{a}$ , implies regularity: the people in question pay zakat regularly—paying it has become one of their distinguishing traits—and so they can appropriately be termed "doers" of zakat.

2. + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

i. to treat sb [in a certain way]: 89:6.

See also 3.a below.

**ii.** \**mā yaf<sup>c</sup>alu llāhu bi <sup>c</sup>adhābikum in shakartum wa āmantum,* What would God get out of/gain from punishing you if you showed gratitude and believed? 4:147.

See Kash., 1:308.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $b\bar{a}'$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

**a.** fa<sup>c</sup>ala bihī kadhā, to do sth to sb/sth, treat sb/deal with sb in a certain way:

\*hal <sup>c</sup>alimtum mā fa<sup>c</sup>altum bi yusufa wa akhīhi, Do you know/ remember what you did to Joseph and his brother? 12:89 [obj und; n.].

\*tazunnu an yuf<sup>c</sup>ala bihā fāqiratun, Thinking/suspecting that they are going to be meted out a spine-crushing punishment: 75:25 [n.].

Also: 21:59, 62; 34:54 [pass]; 46:9 [pass]; 85:7 [n.].

12:89 and 85:7: The  $m\bar{a}$  in the two verses (12:89:  $m\bar{a}$  fa<sup>C</sup>altum; 85:7:  $m\bar{a}$  yaf<sup>C</sup>alūna) may also be regarded as masdariyyah.

34:54 and 46:9: See this note, above.

75:25: Kash., 4:165-66.

Al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Qas., 475/75: wa fa<sup>c</sup>alnā bihim ka mā <sup>c</sup>alima Ilā-/hu wa mā in li l-hā'inīna dimā'ū, "We did to them as only God knows what [= we punished them very severely], and those whose time [of death/destruction] has come have no blood [that may be avenged]."

See n. to b below.

**b.** fa<sup>c</sup>ala ilayhi kadhā, to treat sb/deal with sb in a certain way: 33:6.

Tadmin of asda or azalla. Kash., 3:228.

 $Fa^{c}ala \ ilayhi$  is used in the Qur'an in the sense of treating someone well;  $fa^{c}ala \ bih\overline{i}$  (a, above), in the sense of treating someone ill (even in 46:9, the expression has an ominous ring to it).

294. FKK

- I. fakka
  - + OB]

fakka ragabatan, to free a slave: 90:13 [mas].

Literally, "to release a neck," that is, the neck of a slave. See Ag., 2:939. Fakka <sup>c</sup>anhu l-ghulla wa l-qayda, "to remove sb's chains/fetters." Asās, 479. See als 58 (HRR) 11.i

295. FLQ

I. falaga + OBI

falaqa llāhu ș-șubha, (of God) to cause day to break: 6:96 [act pt].

296. FWT

I. fāta

1. VB

\*fa la fawta, And there will be no escape! 34:51.

Kash., 3:265: Fa lā yafūtūna llāha wa lā yasbiqūnahū.

2. + OB] + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

 $f\overline{a}tah\overline{u} sh-shay'u$  ilā fulānin, to lose sth to sb [= (of sth) to be due to sb from sb]:

\*wa in fatakum shay'un min azwajikum ila l-kuffari, And if there is due to you from the disbelievers any of [the dower of] your [unbelieving] wives: 60:11.

Following Islahi (Tad., 7:342).

#### 297. FWR

I. fāra

VB

\*wa fara t-tannuru, And [when] the flood-water gushes forth: 11:40 and 23:27.

The reference is to the flood that destroyed Noah's people. Islāhī writes: "Fāra (imperfect: yafūru) means 'to simmer." The word is used of the simmering or boiling of a cooking pot and also of the flaring-up of a heated oven. The expression fāra t-tannūru has been used here [11:40] metaphorically for the cyclone that overtook the people of Noah, causing heavy rains, and causing the waters of the nearby oceans to well over." Tad., 3:391. The phrase, it might be added, carries the implication that something has reached a climax/come to a head—has reached the boiling point, as if it were. As such, it falls into the category of such idioms as hamiya l-watīsu (Tad., 4:453-54; Aq., 2:1463) and balagha s-saylu z-zubā (ibid., 1:456). (Zamakhsharī [Kash., 3:461] offers a literal interpretation of the phrase.)

298. FYD

I. fāda

+ PREP [min]

fadat <sup>c</sup>aynuhū mina d-dam<sup>c</sup>i, (of sb's eyes) to overflow with tears: 5:83; 9:92.

On the *balaghah* of this construction, see *Kash.*, 1:359; 2:167.

IV. a fāḍa

+ PREP [fi] afāda fihi,

i. to be busily engaged in an activity: 10:61.

Kash., 2:195: . . . afāda fīhi—idha ndafa<sup>c</sup>a fīhi. Also, Tad., 4:517.

ii. to launch out into sth, expatiate upon sth:

\*la massakum fī mā afadtum fīhi <sup>c</sup>adhābun <sup>c</sup>azīmun, A great punishment would have overtaken you for your verbal excursions/idle talk: 24:14.

Also: 46:8.

Kash., 3:65, 442; Tad., 4:517; 6:350.

<sup>c</sup>Umar ibn Abī Rabī<sup>c</sup>ah, *Ham.*, 3:1254/2: wa lammā tafāwadnā l-hadītha wa asfarat wujuhun zahāhā l-husnu an tataqanna<sup>c</sup>ā, "When we were well advanced in our discussion and there shone forth faces which beauty would disdain to see concealed."

# QĀF

- 299. QBD
  - I. gabada
  - 1. VB

qabada:

i. to limit/withhold [sth]: 2:245: see 19 (BST) 1.1.

ii. to draw [sth] in:

\*a wa lam yaraw ilā t-tayri fawqahum sāffātin wa yaqbidna, Have they not seen birds above them as they draw [their wings] out and draw [them] in? 67:19.

**2.** + OBJ

qabada yadahū, to be tightfisted/stingy: 9:67.

Maj., 1:263; Muf., 391. See also 277 (GhLL) 1.2.

300. QTL

I. qatala

+ OBJ

*qutila fulānun,* May he perish/come to ruin! 51:10; 74:19, 20; 80:17; 85:4 [n.].

85:4: Qutila ashābu l-ukhdūdi may be construed as a declarative sentence or as an imprecatory expression. In the former case, the verse will mean that the people of hell will come to ruin—the use of the perfect tense indicating the cer-

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tainty of the fate (cf. 34 (*TBB*) I, n.). In the latter case, the verse will constitute a curse. The ashāb al-ukhdūd are "the people of hell" (see *Tad.*, 8:289-90), ukhdūd ("pit, ditch") being, like hāwiyah (101:9), one of the descriptive names of hell.

III. gātala

+ OBJ

*qātalahū llāhu,* May God cause him to perish/come to ruin! 9:30; 63:4.

See Muf., 393.

301. QHM

VIII. iqtahama

#### + OBJ

*iqtahama l-<sup>c</sup>aqabata,* to perform an arduous task [= a good deed]: 90:11.

Iqtahama means doing something difficult/strenuous and with effort: iqtahama <sup>C</sup>aqabatan/wahdatan/nahran, "to rush up a mountain pass/into a deep pit/into a river"; rakiba quhmata *t*-tarīqi, "to walk the difficult part of a road"; waqa<sup>C</sup>ū fi Iquhmati, "(of people) to suffer from a difficult year," i.e. one of famine or drought. Asās, 493. Also, <sup>C</sup>Ant., 174/[1], 213/[7], 256/[6]. <sup>C</sup>Aqabah means literally "mountain pass, steep course/slope"; and, metaphorically, "difficulty, hardship." In the Qur'ān, iqtahama I-<sup>C</sup>aqabata implies, as the subsequent verses indicate, performing such good deeds as freeing slaves and feeding the hungry. See Kash., 4:213; Tad., 8:375-76.

#### 302. QDR

- I. gadara
- **1.** + OBJ

qadarahū, to get the measure of sb:

\*wa mā qadarū llāha haqqa qadrihī, They did not form/have not formed the right kind of judgment about God: 6:91; 39:67.

Also: 22:74.

Cf. Muf., 396. Cf. <sup>C</sup>arafa qadrahū, as in <sup>C</sup>Ant., 100/[4].

2. + PREP [*lām*]

gadara lahū: 29:62; 34:39: see 3.b below.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. qadara llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi r-rizqa, (of God) to give sb a meager provision: 65:7 [pass]; 89:16.

Tadmīn of dayyaga (see Muf., 396 [on 65:7]: Wa man qudira <sup>c</sup>alayhi rizquhū, ay duyyiga <sup>c</sup>alayhi).

**b.** qadara llāhu lahū r-rizqa, (of God) to give sb meager sustenance:

qadara llāhu r-rizqa, (of God) to restrict sustenance 13:26; 17:30; 28:82; 29:62; 30:37; 34:36, 39; 39:52; 42:12. [Obj (rizq) in 29:62 and 34:39, and obj and prep phr in the other vss. und.]

a differs from b in that b means simply that sustenance is given in a small quantity, whereas a has the added meaning of causing hardship, as suggested by the *tadmin* of *dayyaqqa* (see n. to a, above).

II. qaddara

VB

qaddara, to form a view/judgment: 74:18, 19, 20.

# 303. QDM

- 🗉 l. gadama/gadima
  - 1. + OBJ

gadama I-gawma, to precede/lead/be ahead of a people:

2. + PREP [*ilā*]

qadima ilayhi, to turn toward sth, turn one's attention to sth [lit: to step up to/advance/move toward sth]: 25:23.

II. gaddama

1. VB

gaddama, to be forward/presumptuous: 49:1.

Lā tuqaddimū in 49:1 can be variously interpreted. See Kash., 4:2, and <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 2:240. If an object is taken as understood, which in my view would be preferable at least to the qaddama = taqaddama explanation, anfusakum could serve as the object, lā tuqaddimū anfusakum thus meaning literally, "Do not advance yourselves," and hence: Do not be so forward/presumptuous. But lā tuqaddimū in the verse may also be taken as a self-contained expression, yielding the same meaning (cf. Kash, 4:2: an . . . yutawajjaha bi n-nahyi ilā nafsi t-taqdimati . . .; and Maj., 2:219: Fulānun yuqaddimu bayna yadayi l-imāmi wa bayna abīhi: yu<sup>c</sup>ajjilu bi l-amri wa n-nahyi dūnahū).

2. + OBJ

gaddamahū:

i. The following three expressions signify performing an act/a deed:
 (a) qaddama l-<sup>C</sup>amala, to do sth/perform an action [lit: to send one's actions in advance—i.e. for judgment on the Last Day]:

\*wa naktubu mā qaddamū, And We shall note down the actions they have performed: 36:12 [obj und].

\*wa *l-tanzur nafsun mā qaddamat li ghadin,* Let a soul think about/consider what it sends on ahead for tomorrow: 59:18.

(b) \*bi mā qaddamat aydīhim, On account of the actions they have performed: 2:95 [obj und; n.].

*Also*: 3:182; 4:62; 8:51; 18:57; 22:10; 28:47; 30:36; 42:48; 62:7; 78:40.

Kash., 1:82.

2:95: Cf. 30:41 (bi mā kasabat aydī n-nāsi), at 327 (KSB) 1.2.

Shanfarā, Mufadd., 205/28: jazaynā salāmāna bna mufrija qardahā/bi mā qaddamat aydīhimū wa azallatī, "We paid back to Salāmān ibn Mufrij what we had owed him [= We punished him]-[and this was] in return for the wrong they had committed." Ham., 3:1512/3: fa actā lladhī yuctī dhdhalīla wa lam yakun/lahū sa<sup>c</sup>yu sidgin gaddamat'hu akabiruh, "And so he gives what a weak person would [= he surrenders), failing to make the kind of determined effort which his distinguished ancestors made." Shamm., 449/[1] (with n. 2, ibid., pp. 448-49; also, Ham., 3:1090/2): fa man yas<sup>c</sup>a aw yarkab janahay na<sup>c</sup>amatin/li yudrika ma qaddamta bi I-amsi yusbaqī, "Anyone who tries-even if he were to ride the wings of the ostrich [= were to try extremely hard]-to accomplish what you accomplished yesterday [= in the past]

will be thwarted." Also, Tufayl ibn <sup>C</sup>Awf al-Ghanawi, Krenk., 59/1 [no. 19].

(c) \*yunabba'u l-insānu yawma'idhin bi mā qaddama wa akhkhara, On that day man will be apprised of what he has done and failed to do [lit: what he has sent in advance and what he has held back]: 75:13.

Also: 82:5 [obj und; n.].

82:5: Cf. Tad., 8:240-41.

ii. gaddama s-sadagata to give charity: 58:12, 13.

3. + PREP [*lam*]

qaddama lahū, to provide for sb/sth:

\*wa qaddimū li anfusikum, And provide for yourselves: 2:223 [n.].

\*yā laytanī qaddamtu li hayātī, Alas! If only I had provided for my life [= performed good deeds for my life in the next world]: 89:24.

> 2:223: Qaddimū li anfusikum carries two meanings simultaneously: (1) Play your part in perpetuating the human race, ensuring yourselves a place in history; (2) furnish yourselves with good deeds for the hereafter. Tad., 1:484.

4. + OB] + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

qaddama sh-shay'a lahū:

i. to present/furnish sb with sth:

\*antum qaddamtumūhu lanā hādhā, lt is you who have served this up to us [= are responsible for this fate of ours]: 38:60.

Also: 38:61.

ii. to lay sth up for sb, send sth in advance for sb:

\*ya'kulna mā qaddamtum lahunna, They [years of drought] shall eat up/devour what you have laid up for them [= you will consume your grain reserves during that period]: 12:48 [obj und; n.].

\*wa mā tuqaddimū li anfusikum min khayrin, And any good actions you send in advance for yourselves [= any good actions you perform for the next life]: 2:110; 73:20.

Also: 5:80 [obj und].

12:48: Note the wordplay:  $Qaddamah\bar{u}$  gives the sense, on the one hand, of sending something in advance, and, on the other, of serving something to someone, for example a guest. Thus, in laying up grain for the years of famine, the Egyptians would, so to speak, be "serving" the grain to those years upon their arrival (as "guests"!).

V. taqaddama

VB

i. \*li man shā'a minkum an yataqaddama aw yata'akhkhara, For anyone who would like to get ahead or fall behind: 74:37.

ii. \*li yaghfira laka mā taqaddama min dhanbika wa mā ta'akhkhara, In order that He may forgive you your sins/lapses, the former ones and the latter ones [= all sins/lapses]: 48:2.

304. QDhF

I. qadhafa

1. + PREP [bā'] qadhafa bihī:

i. to make a thoughtless/unconsidered statement about sth:

\*wa yaqdhifuna bi l-ghaybi min makanin ba<sup>c</sup>idin, And they used to hazard, from distant quarters, thoughtless statements about things they had no knowledge of: 34:53.

> *Tad.,* 5:340. Cf. 132 (*RJM*) I.

ii. 34:48: see 3 below.

2. + OBJ + PREP

qadhafa fi qalbihi r-ru<sup>c</sup>ba, to strike terror in sb's heart: 33:26; 59:2.

**3.** + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$  + PREP  $[^{C}al\bar{a}]$ 

qadhafa bi sh-shay'i <sup>c</sup>alā sh-shay'i, to hit/strike one thing with another:

\*bal naqdhifu bi l-haqqi <sup>c</sup>alā l-bāțili, Rather, We shall hurl truth at falsehood: 21:18.

\*inna rabbī yaqdhifu bi l-ḥaqqi, Indeed, My Lord strikes [falsehood] with truth: 34:48 [prep phr und; n.] 34:48: The prepositional phrase (*Calā I-bāțili*) is understood after *bi I-haqqi. Tad.*, 5:337-38. See also Kash., 3:264.

305. QRB

I. qariba

+ OBJ

Lā taqrabhu, "Do not approach it," denotes prohibition. In the Qur'an it is used in a variety of situations, which may be divided into two broad categories:

i. In 9:28 and 12:60 it signifies denial of access. In 9:28 the idolators are debarred from entering the Ka<sup>c</sup>bah: fa  $l\bar{a}$  yaqrabū *l*-masjida *l*-harāma, And so they [idolators] must not approach [= enter] the Sacred Mosque. That is, the Mosque is too sacred to be polluted by the idolators. In 12:60, Joseph tells his brothers not to come back to him if they do not bring Benjamin with them next time: wa lā taqrabūni, Do not come to me/into my presence.

**ii.** In the other verses, the meaning is that the specified thing must not be approached, or the specified act done, because to do so would constitute a violation of a certain command:

\*wa lā taqrabā hādhihī sh-shajarata, And do not approach this tree [in order to eat of its fruit]: 2:35; 7:19.

\*tilka hudūdu llāhi fa lā taqrabūhā, These are the injunctions/ prescriptions of God, so do not even come close to [violating] them: 2:187.

\*wa lā taqrabūhunna, And do not approach them [= do not have sexual intercourse with women]: 2:222.

\**lā* taqrabū s-salāta wa antum sukārā, Do not approach the [place of] prayer [= mosque] when you are in a state of intoxication: 4:43 [n.].

\*wa la taqrabū l-fawāhisha, And do not approach [= stay far away from] acts of immorality: 6:151.

\*wa lā taqrabū māla l-yatīmi, And do not touch [= misappropriate] the property of the poor: 6:152; 17:34.

\*wa lā taqrabū z-zinā, And do not even come close to [committing] fornication: 17:32.

4:43: Follwing Işlāhī (Tad., 2:74).

- II. qarraba
  - **1.** + OBJ

qarraba l-qurbana, to make a sacrifice/offering [to God]: 5:27.

## 306. QRR

# I. qarra

1. VB

*qarrat <sup>c</sup>aynuhū*: to rejoice/be delighted/be joyful: \**kay taqarra <sup>c</sup>aynuhā*, So that she may rejoice: 20:40; 28:13. *Also*: 33:51.

The idiom (including 2, and three other verses -25:74; 28:9; 32:17—in which the expression *qurrat*  $a^{C}yun$  ["delight of the eye"] is used) means literally: (of one's eyes) to become cool. It is said that the tears of joy are cool—whence the idiom—whereas the tears of sorrow are warm, and hence the imprecation: askhana Ilāhu <sup>C</sup>aynahū, "May God cause him sorrow [lit: may God make his eyes warm]!" See Muf., 398; Aq., 2:981. But perhaps the two idioms can be explained in terms of one's experience in desert life: eyes warm from the blazing sun would be sore but in the evening, or in the shade of a tree, the eyes would be restful.

It should be noted that the idiom under discussion is, in all the four occurrences listed (i.e. at 1 and 2), used in situations where pain, sorrow, or worry is followed by joy or happiness, thus adding the meaning of relief to that of delight or pleasure.

A poet from the Banū Juhaynah, Ham., 2:522/1: alā hal atā *l-ansāra anna bna baḥdalin ḥumaydan shafā kalban fa qarrat Cuyūnuhā*, "Has the news reached the helpers, that Humayd ibn Bahdal has put the minds of the Kalb at rest [by helping them defeat their enemy], so that they are delighted?" Yaḥyā ibn Ziyād, ibid., 2:862/4: maḍā fa maḍat Cannī bihī kullu ladhdhatin/taqarru bihā Caynāya fa nqaṭaCā maCā, "He departed [= died] and with him departed from me every pleasure that could have been a source of joy for me; and so the two departed together." Also, ibid., 3:1232/2, 1306/1, 1311/3; Nāb., 21/40. Cf. sakhinat Caynuhū/askhana Caynahū (see above), as in Ham., 3:1339/4; Suḥ., 59/1 [no. 40]. Cf. Ham., 4:1876/4.

# 2. + TAMYIZ

\*wa garrī <sup>c</sup>aynan, And be happy/rejoice! 19:26.

Mufaḍḍ, 321 (quoted by Anbārī): ka mā qarra <sup>c</sup>aynan bi liyābi l-musāfirū, "Just like a traveler who is happy to return home."

See n. to 2 above.

## 307. QRD

1. garada

+ OBJ

qaradahū, to pass sb/sth by:

\*wa idhā gharabat taqriduhum dhāta sh-shimāli, And when it [sun] set, it would pass them [Sleepers in the Cave] by on the left side: 18:17.

Qarada fi sayrihī, "to swerve to the right and left in one's walk/movement"; qarada *l-makāna*, "to bypass a place"; qarada fulānan, "pass sb by." Aq., 2:985; Maj., 1:396; Kash., 2:382.

#### IV. agrada

+ OBJ + OBJ

*aqrada llāha qardan,* to spend money in the way of God [lit: to give God a loan]: 2:245; 5:12; 57:11, 18; 64:17; 73:20.

All these verses speak of giving God a "good loan" (qardan hasanan), i.e. a loan that is given willingly and generously. See Kash., 4:155-56. Also, Tad., 2:247; 7:207-8, 217-18, 424; 8:33.

Qardan in these verses may be interpreted either as an object (qard = muqrad) or as a substantive (ism maşdar) substituting for iqrad, the regular masdar which would have served as  $maf^{c}\overline{u}l mutlaq$ . The word hasanan in the verses can also be explained in more than one way. See <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:102.

#### 308. QSM

## X. istaqsama

+ PREP [ba]

istaqsamū bi l-azlāmi, (of people) to portion out [the flesh of a slaughtered animal] among themselves by using marked arrows: 5:3.

Or: to engage in divination, using arrows. Both meanings would apply. Islahi (Tad., 2:229) prefers the first of the two meanings; Zamakhshari (Kash., 1:322), the second. Cf. Tar., 78/14.

Cf. 347 (LQY) IV.2.v.

#### 309. QSW

I. qasā

VB

*qasā qalbuhū*, (of sb's heart) to become hard: 2:74; 6:43; 22:53 [act pt]; 39:22 [act pt]; 57:16.

\*wa ja<sup>c</sup>alnā qulūbahum qāsiyatan, And We made them hard of heart: 5:13.

Hajar qāsin, "hard rock"; huwa aqsā mina ṣ-ṣakhri, "He is tougher than a rock"; arḍ qāsiyah, "barren land." Asās, 507. Also, Aq., 2:999. See also 276 (GhLZ) 1.1.

#### 310. QSh<sup>c</sup>R

IV. iqsha<sup>c</sup>arra

+ PREP [min]

 $iqsha^{c}arra jilduh\overline{u}$  minhu, (of one's hair) to stand on end from fear of sth:

\*taqsha<sup>c</sup>irru minhu julūdu lladhīna yakhshawna rabbahum, People who fear their Lord—their hair stand on end from [fear of] it [Qur'ān]: 39:23.

Iqsha<sup>c</sup>arra jilduhū may have two slightly different, though related, meanings: (1) "(of one's skin) to shrivel/tense up" (Kash., 3:345: iqsha<sup>c</sup>arra jilduhū: taqabbada taqabbudan shadīdan [cf. iqsha<sup>c</sup>arrati s-sanatu, said of a year of famine/ drought (Aq., 2:1001), because the land is "shriveled up" during such a period; and zamān muqsha<sup>c</sup>irr (as in al-Marrār ibn al-Munqidh, Mufadd., 154/57), which, too, is a time of drought and famine, the expression then coming to mean "a difficult time"]); (2) "(of one's hair) to stand on end" (jild = sha<sup>c</sup>r [see Tad., 5:580]); iqsha<sup>c</sup>arra sh-sha<sup>c</sup>ru, "(of one's hair) to stand on end" (Aq., 2:1001).

# 311. QSR

- I. qasara
  - + OBJ

gaşarahū, to keep/retain sb/sth:

i. \*hūrun maqşūrātun fī l-khiyāmi, Houris who stay in tents: 55:72 [n.].

> Imra'ah maqşurah means literally "a woman who is made to stay" (see Aq., 2:1005). As an idiomatic expression, however, the phrase does not imply any coercion, but simply means "a woman who stays at home," the expression in fact taking on connotations of honor and dignity, for, in Arabia, it was the maids who left the house in order to do outside chores and run errands, while their mistresses stayed at home. Cf. Tufayl ibn <sup>C</sup>Awf al-Ghanawi, Krenk., 38:21/, where the word maqsurah is used of horses.

ii. \*wa <sup>c</sup>indahum qāṣirātu t-ṭarfi, They shall enjoy the company of chaste/modest women: 37:48; 38:52.

Also: 55:56 [act pt].

A qāşirat at-tarf is a woman who "keeps" her eyes to her husband only and does not look at another man (Aq., 1:1004; Kash., 3:300-1; 4:54), hence: a chaste/modest woman (Tad., 5:465, 541; 7:147). Imr., 68/44: mina l-qāşirāti t-tarfi law dabba muḥwilun/mina dh-dharri fawqa l-itbi minhā la aththarā, "She is a chaste/modest woman, [and is so delicate that] if a tiny [lit: one-year old] ant were to creep on her fine dress, it would make an impact [on her skin]." Țirimmāḥ, Krenk., 158/ 1 [no. 39]: ghaḍiyyun <sup>c</sup>ani l-faḥshā'i yaqsuru tarfuhū/wa in huwa lāqā ghāratan lam yuhallilī, "He is quiet; his eyes shun indecency. And if he encounters a raid, he does not raise a hue and cry." Cf. the use in Damrah ibn Damrah an-Nahshalī; Mufaḍḍ, 634/6; Bishr ibn Abī Kḥāzim, ibid., 661/5; and Ibn Muq., 10/9.

See also 274 (GhDD) I.i.

#### IV. aqşara VB

aqsara, to stop short [of sth]:

*\*thumma lā yuqṣirūna,* And then they stop/hesitate at nothing: 7:202.

Aqşara <sup>c</sup>ani l-amri, "to desist from/keep away from sth." Aq., 2:1004. Mu<sup>c</sup>āwiyah ibn Mālik, Mufadd., 697/1: ajadda lqalbu min salmā junābā/wa aqşara ba<sup>c</sup>da mā shābat wa shābā, "My heart made a firm resolve to keep away from Salmā: it restrained itself after she and he [= poet himself] had both turned old/gray-haired." Also, Imr., 56/1, 109/1.

# 312. QDY

I. gadā

1. VB

\*yā laytahā kānati l-qādiyata, Would that it [death] had put an end to it all [= finished me off]: 69:27.

Also: 4:65.

4:65: Taking the mā in min mā qadayta as masdariyyah. 69:27: Kash., 4:136: Kānati l-qādiyata, ay al-qāti<sup>c</sup>ata li amrī.

2. + OBJ

i. The ordinary meaning of qadā *l*-amra is "to decide a matter," and this meaning is found in several verses (e.g. 2:117). But in the following verses the expression—in the form: qudiya *l*-amru—acquires an idiomatic force: the matter is clinched, it is all over, that is the end of it: 2:210; 6:8; 11:44.

2:210: Kash., 1:128: Tamma amru ihlākihim wa tadmīrihim wa furigha minhu.

6:8: Kash., 2:4: La quḍiya l-amru: la quḍiya amru ihlākihim. 11:44: Kash., 2:218: Unjiza mā wa<sup>c</sup>ada llāhu nūḥan min halāki qawmihī. See also 3.b below.

ii. to achieve sth:

(a) qadā hājatahū, to satisfy one's need: 12:68.

Abū Qays ibn al-Aslat, Mufadd., 573/24: aqdī bihā l-ḥājāti inna l-fatā/rahnun bi dhī lawnayni khaddā<sup>C</sup>ī, "I satisfy my needs by means of it [she-camel]; a man is a pawn in the hands of the one that is two-colored [= time, which is sometimes favorable and sometimes not] and a great deceiver." Nāb., 35/19 (quoted at 383 (NZR) 1.2); <sup>C</sup>Ant., 204/[3]; Zuh., 22/ [2]; Jābir ibn Hunayy, Mufadd., 422/4.

# (b) $gad\bar{a}$ nahbah $\bar{u}$ , to fulfill one's pledge: 33:23.

See Tad., 5:208; Kash., 3:232. Țar., 124/23: qadā naḥbahū wajdan <sup>c</sup>alayhā muraqqishun, "Muraqqish fulfilled his vow/ promise [= died], out of his great longing for her." Also, Lab., 254/1; a woman from the Shaybān, D. al-Khaw., 239/3 [no. 338].

(c) qadā watarahū: see 4.c below.

iii. to get rid of sth:

gadā tafathahū, to remove dust/soil/dirt from one's body: 22:29.

Kash., 3:31: Wa I-murād: qadā'u izālati t-tafathi. Cf. qadā Ihamma "to be rid of worry," as in Shamm., 169/30, and Lab., 131/33; qadā I-<sup>c</sup>amala, "to finish one's work," ibid., 254/3.

3. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bayna; c. ilā]

a. qadā <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to kill sb:

\*fa wakazahū mūsā fa qaḍā <sup>c</sup>alayhi, And Moses struck him, killing him: 28:15.

\*li yaqdi <sup>c</sup>alaynā rabbuka, Let your Lord kill us off! 43:77.

Suh., 63/3. Cf. 4.a.i, below.

**b.** Qaḍā *l-amra baynahum* ordinarily means "to decide a matter between people." In the following verses, however, the expression in the form: *quḍiya baynahum*—means (quite like 2.i, above): (of a matter) to be decided between people once and for all: 6:58; 11:110; 41:45; 42:14, 21.

Kash., 2:18 (on 6:58).

10:19 is not listed here because the phrase (*la qudiya baynahum*) in it lacks idiomtic force and means simply, "(of a matter) to be decided between people."

c. gadā ilayhi, to make a determined move against sb: 10:71.

*llā* in this verse suggests the *taḍmīn*-meaning of *addā*. See Kash., 2:197. Also, *Tad.*, 3:325.

4. + OBJ + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. ilā; c. min]

a. gadā <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-amra:

i. to dispose of sb/sth:

\* lā yuqḍā <sup>c</sup>alayhim fa yamūtū, They shall not be disposed of, so that they should die: 35:36.

i, as the context show, does not necessarily mean "to kill," though death may be the result of the act of "finishing sb off" or "doing away with sb." It may be argued, however, that qudiya <sup>c</sup>alayhi includes the meaning, "to kill" (Kash., 3:277: Qudiya <sup>c</sup>alayhi = qudiya <sup>c</sup>alayhi *l-mawtu*; cf. 3.a above), so that fa yamūtū only spells out more clearly the nature of that qadā'.

ii. gadā <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-mawta, to decree sb's death: 34:14; 39:42.

b. qadā ilayhi sh-shay'a:

i. to apprise/notify sb of sth:

\*wa qaḍaynā ilayhi dhālika l-amra, And We apprised him of that decision: 15:66 [n. to iii below].

Also: 17:4; 28:44.

ii. to complete the sending of sth to sb:

\*min qabli an yuqḍā ilayka waḥyuhū, before its revelation to you is completed: 20:114 [n. to iii below].

iii. \*la qudiya ilayhim ajaluhum, The period of time allowed them would have been completed: 10:11.

On b in general: The use of *ilā* suggests the *tadmīn* of *anhā, awhā,* or *ablagha*. See Aq., 2:1011; Muf., 406; Kash., 2:317, 351; 3:171; also, Tad., 3:615, 723; 4:711, 811.

10:11: The complete meaning is that the people in question would have been notified of the period of time allowed them, and that the period of time would then have come to an end.

20:14 (ii, above): That is, before the sending of the revelation is completed.

c. qada minhu watarahu, to finish with sb, have nothing more to do with sb, sever one's relations with sb:

\*fa lammā qadā zaydun minhā waṭaran zawwajnākahā li kay lā yakūna <sup>c</sup>alā l-mu'minīna harajun fī azwāji ad<sup>c</sup>iyā'ihim idhā qadaw minhunna waṭaran, So, when Zayd severed his relations with her, We gave her in marriage to you, so that the believers may not face any hardship in regard to the wives of their adopted sons once they [sons] have severed their relations with them [wives]: 33:37.

Wațar means "need," and qadā wațarahū, "to satisfy one's need" (as in Abū n-Najm, quoted by Anbārī, Mufadd, 10: wa fa'ati I-khaylu wa qaddayna I-watar, "[The day] the horses came back, having completed the mission"; also, Hass., 219/ [1], and Ibn Muq., 77/17). But the meaning of "need" gives rise to that of "attachment": if one needs something, one develops an attachment for it. Qada watarahu thus comes to mean "to sever one's relations (with sb)," for after the fulfillment of the need the attachment is, or may be, lost. In the Qur'anic verse, the use of the word watar instead of talaq ("divorce") signifies that Zaynab (Zayd's wife) had completed her waiting period after the divorce, for, after the completion of the waiting period, the connection between a man and his wife is completely severed. Tad., 5:234. Zamakhshari (Kash., 3:238) writes: Wa I-ma<sup>c</sup>nā: fa lammā lam yabga li zaydin fīhā hājatun wa tagāsarat <sup>c</sup>anhā himmatuhū wa tābat <sup>c</sup>anhā nafsuhū wa tallagahā wa n-gadat <sup>c</sup>iddatuhā. In the following verse by Tirimmah, Krenk., 151/11, gada hajatan is used exactly in this sense: qadat min <sup>c</sup>ayafin wa t-taridati hajatan/fa hunna ilā lahwi l-hadīthi khuducu, "They [girls] [have grown up, and so] no longer play [the children's games called] cayaf and taridah [lit: they have fulfilled their need with regard to cavaf and taridah], and are [instead] drawn to entertaining talk."

# 313. QT<sup>C</sup>

- I. qata<sup>c</sup>a
- **1**. VB

*qaṭa<sup>c</sup>a,* to do one's utmost: *\*thumma l-yaqț<sup>c</sup>,* Then let him do his best: 22:15.

Following Islahi (Tad., 4:363-64). Cf. Kash., 3:27-28.

2. + OBJ

qata<sup>c</sup>ahū:

i. gata<sup>c</sup>a l-amra, to decide/clinch a matter:

\**mā kuntu qāţi<sup>c</sup>atan amran ḥattā tash'hadūni,* 1 never take a final decision on any matter until you are with me/in my presence: 27:32.

ii. qata<sup>c</sup>a r-rahima, to break the ties of kinship:

\*wa yaqta<sup>c</sup>ūna mā amara llāhu bihī an yūṣala, And they sever what God has commanded to be joined [= they break the ties of kinship]: 2:27; 13:25. Two idioms underlie this verse:  $qata^{C}a rahimah\bar{u}$ , "to cut off one's ties with/break with one's kinsmen/relatives" (Aq., 2:1014), and wasala rahimah $\bar{u}$ , "to reinforce the ties of kinship [by treating one's relatives well]" (see n. to 409 (WSL) 1.1). The verse thus means: they sever relations with their kinsmen whereas God has commanded that these relations be strengthened. See Kash., 1:59; 2:286; Tad., 1:99.

Ham., 1:312/2, 454/1, 512/4. Also, ibid., 3:1193/10. See also II.1.ii below.

iii. qata<sup>c</sup>a watinahū, to kill sb [lit: to cut sb's jugular vein]: 69:46.

<sup>C</sup>Ant., 55/[2]: fa lammā danā minnī qaṭa<sup>C</sup>tu watīnahū, "When he drew close to me, I cut off his jugular vein." Also, ibid., 122/[2], 160/[13].

iv. qața<sup>c</sup>a llāhu dābira l-qawmi, (of God) to destroy/wipe off a nation to the last man: 6:45; 7:72; 8:7; 15:66 [pass pt].

Kash., 2:115, 317.

v. qata<sup>C</sup>a tarafahum, to destroy partially the power of a people: 3:127.

Kash., 1:216.

vi. gata<sup>c</sup>a s-sabīla, to commit highway robbery: 29:29.

Aq., 2:1014.

II. gatta<sup>c</sup>a

1. + OBJ

i. to cut sth up, cause the pain that is caused by cutting:

\*wa suqū mā'an ḥamīman fa qaṭṭa<sup>c</sup>a am<sup>c</sup>ā'ahum, And they shall be given hot water to drunk, which will cut up their entrails [= give them great pain]: 47:15.

The verse combines the literal and the metaphorical meanings. It might mean that the hot water will actually cut up the entrails, or that it will cause a severe pain in the stomach.  $fi \ am^c \bar{a}' ih \bar{i} \ taq \bar{u}^c un$ , "He has colic/the gripes." Asās, 514.

qatta<sup>c</sup>ahū:

ii. qațța<sup>c</sup>a r-rahima, to sever relations with one's kinsmen/relatives: 47:22.

See also 1.2.ii above, with n.

**2.**+ OBJ + OBJ

qatta<sup>C</sup>ahū kadhā, to divide sth into parts/pieces:

\*wa qatta<sup>c</sup>nāhum fī l-ardi umaman, And We divided them into many groups/communities in the land: 7:168.

Also: 7:160.

The two verses may also be categorized + OBJ + HAL. See <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:287, 288. Perhaps it would preferable to regard 7:160 (wa qatta<sup>c</sup>nāhumu thnatay <sup>C</sup>ashrata asbātan umaman) as a + OBJ + OBJ construction, and 7:168 (because of the interposition of the prepositional phrase, fi *l*-ardi, between wa qatta<sup>c</sup>nāhum and umaman) as a + OBJ + HAL construction.

3. + OBJ + PREP

*qaṭṭa<sup>c</sup>a lahū th-thawba,* to cut out and sew clothes for sb: \**quṭṭi<sup>c</sup>at lahum thiyābun min nārin,* Clothes of fire shall be stitched for them: 22:19.

Aq., 2:1014. Also, Kash., 3:29.

The verse may be interpreted to mean that the wicked shall be enveloped in fire, just as a body is covered in clothes. Cf.  $A^{C}$ shā, 397/6: maksuwwatun min jamāli l-husni jilbābā, "She is dressed in a shawl of beauty." The verse may also be translated: They shall be measured for clothes of fire.

V. tagatta<sup>c</sup>a

**1.** VB

i. *\*illā an taqatta<sup>c</sup>a qulūbukum,* Except in the event that their hearts break apart: 9:110.

Kash., 2:173.

ii. \*wa taqatta<sup>c</sup>at bihimu l-asbābu, And the relations between them will be severed [= they shall be of no avail to one another]: 2:166.

Kash., 1:106: Al-asbāb: al-wuṣalu llatī kānat baynahum mina I-ittifāqi <sup>c</sup>alī dīnin wāḥidin wa mina I-ansābi. . . . According to Işlāḥī (Tad., 1:360), the pronoun in bihim refers to alladhīna t-tubi<sup>c</sup>ū in the verse. In other words, wa taqaṭṭa<sup>c</sup>at bihimu l-asbābu = wa taqaṭṭa<sup>c</sup>at asbābu t-tābi<sup>c</sup>īna bi lmatbū<sup>c</sup>īna].

Nāb., 116/12: la qad sarrahā mā ghālanī wa taqatta<sup>c</sup>atili raw<sup>c</sup>ātihī minnī l-<sup>c</sup>urā wa l-wasā'ilū, "She was pleased at what befell me, even though the terrible happening [= patron's death] had cut off all my means and connections [= means of support and relationships of love/friendship]." Lab., 301/ 16: bal mā tadhakkaru min nawāra wa qad na'atiwa taqatta<sup>c</sup>at asbābuhā wa rimāmuhā, "What is there to remember [lit: what would you remember] of Nawār now that she has gone away and all of her bonds—strong and weak—are broken?" (*Rimām* ["old, that which is withering away"] stands for weak bonds; asbāb, by contrast, represents strong bonds. Nawār is the name of a woman, but is sometimes used as an <sup>c</sup>alam for women in general, meaning a chaste/modest woman [Aq., 2:1357: al-mar'atu n-nafūru mina r-raybati]; cf. the name Ṣadūf, in n. at 371 (N'Y) I [see also n. at 322 (KTB) 1.2.a.ii]).

2. + PREP [bayna]

\*la qad taqatta<sup>c</sup>a baynakum, The bond between you has been broken completely: 6:94.

Habl ("chord") is the implied subject of the verb taqatta<sup>c</sup>a. Tad., 2:489. See also Maj., 1:200; Kash., 2:28: Taqatta<sup>c</sup>a baynakum: waqa<sup>c</sup>a t-taqattu<sup>c</sup>u baynakum ... <sup>c</sup>alā isnādi l-fi<sup>c</sup>l ilā maşdarihī...).

Cf. Ham., 2:589/3, and Imr., 62/21.

#### **3.** + OBJ + PREP [bayna]

 $taqatta^{C}\bar{u}$  amrahum baynahum, (of people) to develop serious differences among themselves, be split on an issue: 21:93; 23:53.

Aq., 2:1014; Kash., 3:21, 49.

# 314. Q<sup>C</sup>D

- I. ga<sup>c</sup>ada
- **1**. VB

qa<sup>c</sup>ada:

i. to hang back, stay behind: 3:168; 4:95 [thrice, all act pt]; 5:24 [act pt; n.]; 9:46/ [twice, once mas], 81 [mas; n.], 83 [twice, once mas], 86 [act pt], 90.

In these verses,  $qa^{c}ada$  is used in the sense of refraining from taking part in battle (e.g. 9:81, bi maq<sup>c</sup>adihim = bi  $qu^{c}\overline{u}dihim^{c}ani$  l-ghazwi [Kash., 2:165]).

5:24: In this verse (innā hāhunā qā<sup>c</sup>idūna), qa<sup>c</sup>ada probably also carries (because of the use of the word hāhunā) the simpler meaning, "to stay/sit [in a particular physical location]" (= "We are going to stay here/in this place).

Bashāmah ibn <sup>C</sup>Amr, *Mufadd.*, 89/33: wa lā taq<sup>c</sup>udū wa bikum munnatun, "Do not sit back when you have the power [to fight the enemy]." Also, D. al-Khaw., 221/1 [no. 294].

#### ii. ga<sup>c</sup>adati l-mar'atu, (of a woman) to be old: 24:60 [act pt].

Zamakhshari (Asās, 516) explains imra'ah qā<sup>c</sup>idah as: kabīratun qa<sup>c</sup>adat <sup>c</sup>ani l-haydi wa l-azwāji. Also, Kash., 3:84.

2. + PREP [a. *lām*; b. *ma<sup>c</sup>*]

a. ga<sup>c</sup>ada lahū:

i. to lie in wait/in ambush for sb: 7:16; 9:5.

Imr., 186/8: wa in taqtulūnā naqtulkumū/wa in taq<sup>c</sup>udū li damin naq<sup>c</sup>udī, "If you kill us, we, too, shall kill you; and if you lie in wait in order to shed blood, we, too, shall lie in wait." In another verse (ibid., 73/4) Imru' al-Qays describes how he and his companions "lay in wait for"—i.e. sat watching—the lightning on a rainy night; Nāb., 187/3, and Lab., 29/ 16, are similar.

**ii.** qa<sup>C</sup>ada li s-sam<sup>C</sup>i, to position oneself in order to eavesdrop [lit: to sit down in order to hear]: 72:99.

**b.**  $qa^{c}ada ma^{c}ah\bar{u}$ , to sit in sb's company, associate with sb: 4:140; 6:68.

3. + HĀL

 $qa^{c}ada kadh\bar{a}$ , to become so and so:

\*fa taq<sup>c</sup>uda madhmūman makhdhūlan, Otherwise you will be reduced to the state of one reproached and forsaken: 17:22.

Also: 17:29.

 $Qa^{c}ada$  in these verses means sāra. Kash., 2:356, 359. Cf. 2 (TY) 1.4, and 134 (RDD) VIII.2.

# 315. QFW

I. gafā

+ OBJ

qafahu, to pursue sth, fasten on sth:

\*wa lā taqfu mā laysa laka bihī <sup>c</sup>ilmun, And do not busy/concern yourself with what you have no knowledge of: 17:36.

> That is, do not accept or believe things without ascertaining their truth. The prohibition pertains to slander, false accusations of unchastity, etc. Tad., 3:746. Also, Kash., 2:360; Muf., 410: Ay lā taḥkum bi l-qiyāfati wa z-zanni.

II. gaffā

+ PREP [ba']

qaffa bihi, to send sb in the wake [of sb]:

\*wa qaffaynā min ba<sup>c</sup>dihī bi r-rusuli, And We sent, after him [Moses], many prophets: 2:87.

Also: 5:46; 57:27 [twice].

Qaffaytu bihī <sup>c</sup>alā atharihī, "I sent/dispatched him in the wake of that person." Asās, 518. Also, Kash., 1:80, 342.

# 316. QLB

- II. gallaba
- **1.** + OBJ  $gallabah\bar{u}$ :

i. \*wa nuqallibu af'idatahum wa abṣārahum, And We shall invert their hearts and eyes [= shall render them incapable of accepting the truth]: 6:110.

See Kash., 2:35.

ii. gallaba l-amra: 9:48: see 2.b below.

2. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. qallaba kaffayhi <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to wring one's hands over sth:

\*fa așbața yuqallibu kaffayhi <sup>c</sup>alā mā anfaqa fihā, And so he became one wringing his hands over what he had spent on it [garden]: 18:42. Kash., 2:391. Cf. 260 (CDD) 1.1.

b. gallaba lahū l-amra, to present sth to sb in a changed/distorted form: 9:48.

Kash., 2:155.

V. tagallaba

1. VB

tagallaba:

i. to move about:

\*aw ya'khudhahum fi taqallubihim, Or that He should seize them as they are moving about: 16:46.

\*wa llahu ya<sup>c</sup>lamu mutagallabakum wa mathwakum, And God knows about your haunts and retreats: 47:19.

ii. to move quickly/violently:

\*yawman tatagallabu fihi l-gulūbu wa l-absārū, The day hearts will leap up and down and eyes will roll [in panic]: 24:37.

The tagallub of which the verse speaks may be physical or psychological in character. See Kash., 3:78. Taqallaba <sup>c</sup>alā firāshihī, "to toss and turn in one's bed."

Aq., 2:1028.

2. + PREP [fi]

i. tagallaba fihi:

(a) tagallaba fi l-baladi, to move about in the land:

\*la yaghurrannaka tagallubu lladhina kafarū fi l-biladi, The disbelievers' comings and goings [= activies] in the land must not deceive you: 3:196.

Also: 40:4.

The following remark, made by Islahi on 3:196, applies to 40:4 as well: "Tagallub means 'to come and go, move about." The context, moreover, lends to the word implications of pride, conceit, and hauteur. In this verse, as the context indicates, the word signifies the total and uncircumscribed power the unbelievers, as against the Muslims, at that time enjoyed in the administration of the land." Tad., 1:834.

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(b) \*wa taqallubaka fi s-sājidīna, And [He watches] your movement among those who bow down [before God]: 26:219.

**ii.** \*qad narā taqalluba wajhika fī s-samā'i, We have been watching you turning your face continually toward the heaven: 2:144.

The use of  $f\bar{i}$  instead of the expected  $il\bar{a}$  is significant: it gives the kind of emphasis called *wughūl* or tawaghghul. The Prophet turned his face toward the heaven so often that it became appropriate to say that his face was in the heaven. Cf. Zamakhsharī (Kash., 1:100), who explains fī s-samā'i as: fī jihati s-samā'i.

Qad narā, incidentally, is to be construed as qad kunnā narā, the omission of kāna before the imperfect being a familiar feature of Classical Arabic. Tad., 1:324.

VII. ingalaba

1. VB

ingalaba, to end up [in a certain state]:

\*wa sa ya<sup>c</sup>lamu lladhīna zalamū ayya munqalabin yanqalibūna, And the iniquitous shall soon find out where they are going to end up: 26:227.

> Ayya munqalabin in the verse qualifies a masdar (= inqilāban) that is understood. <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 2:170. Hass., 171/[1].

**2.** + PREP  $[^{C}a/\bar{a}]$ 

i. inqalaba <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>aqibayhi, to retrace one's steps [= backslide]: 3:144 [twice].

Tad., 1:787: "Here the expression means: to abandon Islam and go back to the ways of the Jāhiliyyah." Also, Kash., 1:221.

Cf. Hass., 68/[3].

See also 134 (RDD) VIII.1.a.i(b), and 391 (NKS) I.

ii. ingalaba <sup>c</sup>alā wajhihī, to do an aboutface: 22:11.

3. + HAL

ingalaba kadhā, to be reduced to/end up in a certain state:

\*fa tanqalibū khāsirīna, And you will end up as losers: 3:149; 5:21.

*\*fa ghulibū hunālika wa nqalabū ṣāghirīna,* And so they were defeated there, and were humiliated: 7:119.

Qāf

Also: 3:127.

317. QLL

IV. agalla

+ OBJ

aqalla sh-shay'a, to lift sth easily [= as if it had little weight]: \*hattā idhā aqallat sahāban thiqālan, Until, when they [winds] carry heavy clouds: 7:57.

#### Muf., 410.

Qalla/aqalla/istaqalla sh-shay'a, "to lift/carry sth"; lahū mā aqallati l-ghabrā'u wa mā azallati s-samā'u, "He possesses all that the earth holds and all that the sky casts a shadow over [= everything]." Aq., 2:1034. A qullah ("large pitcher/jar") is so called because it holds the amount of water that a man can carry. Asās, 521; also, Aq., 2:1034. Nāb., 162/17 (also quoted in Asās, 521)

318. QMH

IV. agmaha

+ OBJ

\*fa hum muqmahūna, And so their heads are [left in a] raised [position]: 36:8.

Muqmah is a camel whose head has been raised and tied backward, so that its neck remains at a certain angle and cannot be moved up or down. The same is the case with a person whose neck is put in chains. The verse depicts a man who is filled with pride and so does not reflect on the signs of God or listen to the words of guidance—he is like a *muqmah* camel, which cannot see beyond a certain point. The verse at once describes pride and its punishment: the person in question is unwilling to reflect on the divine message (i.e. he chose to be *muqmah*), and so God has rendered him incapable of such reflection (i.e. God made him one). See *Tad.*, 5:400. Also, *Asas*, 522; *Aq.*, 2:1036.

#### 319. QWL

I. gāla

**1.** + PREP [*lām*]

In 10:77,  $q\bar{a}la \ lah\bar{u}$  has been used in a special sense: to find fault with sth, pick holes in sth, dispraise/decry sth:

\*a taqūlūna li l-haqqi lammā jā'akum, Do you make disparaging remarks about the truth now that it has reached you?

Following Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:198), who compares the use of  $q\bar{a}la$  in this verse with the use of *dhakara* in 21:60 (see 122 (DhKR) 1.1.ii).

2. + OB] + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

*qālahū* <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to attribute sth to sb falsely:

\*am taqūlūna <sup>c</sup>alā llāhi mā lā ta<sup>c</sup>lamūna, Or are you attributing false things to God, things you have no knowledge of? 2:80.

\*an lā aqūla <sup>c</sup>alā llāhi illā l<sub>r</sub>haqqa, That I shall not attribute to God anything false—[that I shall attribute to Him] only that which is true: 7:105 [n.]

Also: 2:169; 3:75, 78; 4:156 [mas], 171 [n.]; 6:93; 7:28, 33, 169 [n.]; 10:68; 72:4, 5.

4:171 and 7:169: See this note, below.

7:105: With  $q\bar{a}la\ ^{c}alayhi$  meaning "to disparage sth," the *illā* in this verse becomes disjunctive. The same holds for 4:171 and 7:169. For *haqīqun* <sup>c</sup>alayhi, see Aq., 1:215.

Jābir ibn Rālān, Ham., 1:234/1: la <sup>c</sup>amruka mā akhzā idhā mā nasabtanī/idhā lam taqul butlan <sup>c</sup>alayya wa lā maynā; "By your life, I am not ashamed when you mention my ancestors, as long as you do not attribute to me things that are false and wrong." Cf. Nāb., 49/20.

See also V below.

V. tagawwala

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

tagawwala <sup>C</sup>alayhi sh-shay'a, to ascribe sth to sb falsely: 69:44.

Hass., 451/[1]. See also 1.2 above.

### 320. QWM

I. gāma

**1.** VB

qāma:

i. to be firmly in place:

\*wa min āyātihī an taqūma s-samā'u wa l-ardu bi amrihī, And among His signs is this, that, by His command, the heaven and the earth are set firmly in place: 30:25.

ii. (of a witness) to [rise in order to] give testimony:

\*yawma yaqūmu l-ash'hādu, The day the witnesses will [rise and] give testimony: 40:51.

The literal meaning, "to stand up," may or may not apply, the essential meaning being: to present testimony.

iii. to be upright/righteous:

\*min ahli l-kitābi ummatun qā'imatun, Among the People of the Book is an upright group: 3:113.

> This meaning of  $q\bar{a}ma$  arises from expressions like aqamtu*I-cūda fa qāma*, "I straightened the stick, and it became straight." Kash., 1:211. "Ummah qā'imah, that is, the group which is true to the covenant of God and His Shari<sup>c</sup>ah." Tad., 1:765.

iv. to take place, occur:

 $q\bar{a}mati \ s-s\bar{a}^{C}atu$ , (of the Last Hour) to arrive/come about: 30:12, 14, 55; 40:46; 45:27.

Also: 18:36 [act pt]; 41:50 [act pt].

\*yawma yaqūmu l-hisābu, On the day the Reckoning takes place: 14:41.

Kash., 2:306 (on 14:41).

2. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bā'; c. ilā]

a. gāma <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to stand on sth, be supported by sth:

\*aw taraktumūhā qā'imatan <sup>c</sup>alā usūlihā, Or [the trees which] you left standing on their trunks [= did not cut down]: 59:5.

ii. to stand over sb, keep an eye on sb:

*\*illā mā dumta <sup>c</sup>alayhi qā'iman,* Unless you were to stand over him [and demand the return of what you have entrusted to him]: 3:75 [n.].

Also: 13:33 [act pt].

3:75: In translating the verse, I have taken the phrase  $m\bar{a}$  dumta <sup>c</sup>alayhi qā'iman as a hāl, though it may be taken (as it is by Zamakhsharī [Kash., 1:196]) as a zarf, which would yield a slightly different different meaning. See <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 1:140.

Qāma <sup>c</sup>alā gharīmihī, "to ask the debtor to repay the loan." Asās, 529. Hātim at-Tā'ī, 305/1: wa <sup>c</sup>ādhilatin qāmat <sup>c</sup>alayya talūmunī/ka'annī idhā a<sup>c</sup>taytu mālī adīmuhā, "Many a reproving woman has stood over me [reproving me for my generosity], as if, in giving away my wealth, I do her wrong."

## iii. to take care of/look after sb:

\*ar-rijālu qawwāmūna <sup>c</sup>alā n-nisā'i, Men are in charge of/ custodians of women: 4:34.

Qāma <sup>c</sup>alayhi represents a combination of the meanings of protection, maintenance, and custodianship. *Tad.*, 2:63. Cf. Kash., 1:266.

## **b.** gāma bihī:

i. qāma bi l-qisti, to act justly, establish justice: 3:18; 4:135 [act pt]; 5:8 [act pt]; 57:25.

ii. qāma bi shahādatihī, to fulfill one's obligations: 70:33 [act pt].

Qāma bi amrin, "to undertake to do sth." Aq., 2:1053. The word shahādah in this verse has been used in a wide sense, covering as it does all one's undertakings and responsibilities, small or big. Tad., 7:576.

<sup>c</sup>Ant., 21/[2]; lbn Muq., 139/40, 176/31.

c. qāma ilā sh-shay'i, to get up and move toward sth, turn one's attention to sth:

\*wa idhā qāmū ilā ș-șalāti, And when they get up to perform the prayer: 4:142.

Also: 5:6.

Tadmin of qasada. Tad., 2:241.

Ham., 4:1569/2: fa qumtu ilayhi musri<sup>c</sup>an fa ghanimtuhū/ makhāfata qawmī an yafūzū bihī qablū, "So I got up and went to him [guest] in a hurry and served him, lest others from among my people should claim him [and get to serve him] first." Ibid., 4:1797/2: qawmun idhā suwwita yawma n-nizāl/ qāmū ilā l-jurdi l-lahāmīmī, "They are a people who, when shouts are raised on the day of confrontation, betake themselves to excellent, short-haired horses." Also, ibid., 1:304/1; 3:1310/2; 4:1698/7; Mufadd., 285/51.

3. + ZARF

· gāma magāma fulānin; to serve as a substitute for sb: 5:107.

<sup>c</sup>Ant., 239/[2].

4. + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$  + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

qāma lahū bi l-qist, to treat sb fairly, deal justly with sb: 4:127.

The verse instructs the leaders of the community to look after the orphans, making sure that their rights are properly protected. *Kash.*, 1:302.

IV. agāma

**1.** VB

agāma, to persist, last:

\*wa lahum <sup>c</sup>adhābun muqīmun, And a lasting punishment is in store for them: 5:37; 9:68.

\*wa innahā la bi sabīlin muqīmin, And they [towns] are located by a highway: 15:76 [n.].

Also: 9:21; 11:39; 39:40; 42:45. [All active participles.]

15:76: Sabil muqim is "a thoroughfare, a frequented road." Tad., 4:617. This meaning is related to the meaning, "to persist, last": a road that lasts for a long time becomes a wellfrequented road; conversely, a well-frequented road lasts for a long time.

2. + OBJ

i. to set sth up:

aqāma l-jidāra, to repair a wall: 18:77.

ii. to establish sth:

(a) aqāma ṣ-ṣalāta, to establish the prayer: 2:3, 43, 83, 110, 177, 277; 4:77, 103, 162 [act pt]; 5:12, 55; 6:72; 8:3; 7:170; 9:5, 11, 18, 71; 10:87; 11:114; 13:22; 14:31, 37, 40 [act pt]; 17:78; 20:14; 21:73 [mas]; 22:35 [act pt], 41, 78; 24:37 [mas], 56; 27:3; 29:45; 30:31; 31:4, 17; 33:33; 35:18, 29; 42:38; 58:13; 73:20; 98:5.

Aqāma sh-shay'a, "to perpetuate sth, cause sth to last/ continue." Asās, 528.

(b) agāmā d-dīna, to practice/establish a religion: 42:13.

(c) \*wa law annahum aqāmū t-tawrāta wa l-injīla, And had they established [= adhered to/implemented] the Torah and the Evangel: 5:66.

Also: 5:68.

Kash., 1:352.

(d) aqāma hudūda llāhi, to observe/carry out the injunctions of God: 2:229, 230.

(e) agāma sh-shahādata, to bear [lit: establish] witness: 65:2.

See Tad., 7:438-39.

(f) agama l-wazna:

(i) to measure weight:

\*wa aqīmū l-wazna bi l-qisti, And weigh [things] correctly/justly/ honestly: 55:9.

(ii) 18:105: see 3.b.iii below.

(g) agāma wajhahū: 7:29: see 3.a below.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $i\bar{la}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

**a.** aqāma wajhahū ilayhi, to turn toward sth, face in a certain direction:

\*wa aqīmū wujūhakum <sup>c</sup>inda kulli masjidin, And, in every mosque, turn your faces [toward God alone]: 7:29 [prep phr und; n.].

In this verse a phrase like *ilā llāhi wahdahū* is understood after *wujūhakum. Tad.,* 2:626. See also *Kash.,* 2:60.

b. agāmahū lahū:

i. aqāma lahumu s-salāta, to lead people in the prayer [lit: to establish the prayer for people]: 4:102.

ii. aqāma wajhahū lahū, to turn toward sth in loyalty/devotion: 10:105; 30:30 [n.], 43.

Aqāma wajhahū lahū carries the meaning of resolution and single-mindedness. For example, Zamakhsharī (Kash., 3:204) explains 30:30: Fa qawwim wajhaka lahū wa <sup>c</sup>addilhu ghayra multafitin <sup>c</sup>anhu yamīnan wa lā shimālan; wa huwa tamthīlun li iqbālihī <sup>c</sup>alā d-dīni wa stiqāmatihī <sup>c</sup>alayhi wa thabātihī wa htimāmihī bi asbābihī. Cf. naṣaba lahū wajhahū, as in Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 137/[1], where the poet speaks of facing resolutely the ordeal of the heat of the noon.

iii. aqāma lahū waznan, to attach worth/importance to sb/sth: 18:105.

X. istagāma

**1.** VB

istagāma:

i. to take the Straight Path: 81:28.

ii. to persevere, hold one's ground: 10:89; 11:112; 41:30; 42:15; 46:13.

2. + PREP [a. calā; b. ilā; c. lām]

a. istagāma <sup>c</sup>alā l-amri, to stick to a practice:

\*wa an lawi staqāmū <sup>c</sup>alā t-tarīqati, And that if they had stuck to the Path: 72:16.

**b.** *istagāma ilayhi*, to turn to sb in devotion: 41:6.

Taḍmīn of tawajjaha. See Aq., 2:1054. Also, Kash., 3:383: Fa staqīmū ilayhi: fa stawū ilayhi bi t-tawhīdi wa ikhlāsi l-<sup>c</sup>ibādati....

c. istagāma lahū, to deal honestly/fairly with sb:

\*fa mā staqāmū lakum fa staqīmū lakum, So, as long as they deal honestly/fairly with you, deal honestly/fairly with them: 9:7.

Kash., 2:140: Fa mā stagāmū lakum <sup>c</sup>alā l-<sup>c</sup>ahdi.

# KĀF

# 321. KBR

I. kabura

**1.** VB

kabura I-amru:

i. (of a task) to be difficult:

\*la khalqu s-samāwāti wa l-ardi akbaru min khalqi n-nāsi, Indeed, creating the heavens and the earth is a more difficult task than creating mankind: 40:57.

*\*fa qad sa'alū mūsā akbara min dhālika,* Of Moses they made an even bigger demand: 4:153.

Also: 2:45 [act pt; n. to 2.a below], 143 [act pt; n. to 2.a. below]. ii. (of a matter) to be serious/grave:

\*qul qitālun fīhi kabīrun wa ikhrāju ahlihī minhu akbaru <sup>C</sup>inda Ilāhi wa I-fitnatu akbaru mina I-qatli, Say, 'Fighting in it [Makkan sanctuary] is a serious offense; and expelling its residents from it is a more serious offense in the eyes of God; and making mischief/causing corruption is a more serious offense than killing': 2:217.

\*wa mā tukhfī sudūruhum akbaru, And that which is concealed in their hearts is worse/more heinous: 3:118.

2. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>ala; b. fi]

**a.** kabura <sup>c</sup>alayhi *l-amru*, (of sth) to be/become difficult for/ unbearable to sb:

\*wa innahā la kabīratun illā <sup>c</sup>alā l-khāshi<sup>c</sup>īna, And it [praying/ praying and showing perseverance] is a difficult thing to do, except for those who are humble: 2:45 [n.]. \*wa in kāna kabura <sup>c</sup>alayka i<sup>c</sup>rāduhum, And should their apathy be too much for you to take: 6:35.

*\*in kāna kabura <sup>c</sup>alaykum maqāmī*, lf my stay [in your midst] has become unbearable to you: 10:71.

Also: 2:143 [act pt; n.]; 42:13.

Kash., 1:66; 2:197.

2:45 and 143: The complete underlying construction in these verses is: innahū kabīrun wa lākin laysa bi kabīrin <sup>c</sup>alā fulānin. Of this, the first part (innahū kabīrun) belongs at 1.a above and is cited there; it is the second part (wa lākin . . . fulānin) which belongs at 2.a. The pronoun in innahā in 2:45 may refer to "prayer" or to "prayer" and "perseverance" both.

**b.** kabura sh-shay'u fi nafsihi, to consider sth to be momentous/ awesome/formidable:

\*qul kūnū hijāratan aw hadīdan aw khalqan min mā yakburu fī sudūrikum, Say, 'Turn into stones or iron, or into something that strikes you as being prodigious [and hence more difficult to restore to life]': 17:51.

3. + TAMYĪZ

\*kaburat kalimatan takhruju min afwāhihim, It is an outrageous statement that is coming out of their mouths 18:5.

\*kabura maqtan  $\overline{c}$ inda Ilāhi, It is a most detestable thing in the eyes of God: 40:35; 61:3.

IV. akbara

+ OBJ

akbarahū, to regard sth as being awesome/overwhelming:

\*fa lammā ra'aynahū akbarnahū, When they saw him, they were overwhelmed by him: 12:31.

X. istakbara

+ PREP [a. Can; b. ba']

a. istakbara <sup>c</sup>ani sh-shay'i, to turn away from sth in pride, dismiss/ reject sth haughtily: 6:93; 7:36, 40, 206; 21:19; 40:60.

Tadmin of a<sup>c</sup>rada.

4:172 (wa man yastankif <sup>c</sup>an <sup>c</sup>ibādatihī wa yastakbir) is not listed here because there is no need to posit the omission of the preposition <sup>c</sup>an after yastakbir in it.

# b. istakbara bihi, to scorn sth out of pride: 23:67.

Tadmin of istahza'a. Tad., 4:467.

- 322. KTB
  - I. kataba
  - 1. + OB

katabahū:

i. to make a note of sth: 3:181; 4:81; 19:79; 21:94 [act pt]; 36:12; 43:19.

In these verses, although the actual act of writing is perhaps not excluded, the emphasis falls on "keeping sth in mind" (cf., e.g., Kash., 1:234 [on 3:181]). The verses in which the act of writing is chiefly implied (such as 10:21) have not been listed.

ii. to lay sth down, decree/ordain sth:

\*kataba llāhu la aghlibanna anā wa rusulī, God has laid it down—that I [God] shall triumph, and [so shall] My messengers: 58:21.

Also: 21:105 [n.]

21:105: The use of the word *kataba* in this verse at once carries a literal ("to write") and a metaphorical meaning ("to ordain").

2. + OBJ + PREP [a. cala; b. fi; c. lam; d. maca]

**a.** katabahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to bind/obligate sb to do sth:

\*kutiba <sup>c</sup>alaykumu l-qitālu, Fighting has been made obligatory upon you: 2:216.

\*kataba <sup>c</sup>alā nafsihī r-raḥmata, He has made it incumbent upon Himself to show mercy: 6:12 [n.].

\*kutiba <sup>c</sup>alayhi annahū man tawallāhu fa annahū yudilluhū, He [Satan] is charged with this, that whomever he befriends he shall mislead: 22:4 [n.].

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Also: 2:178 [pass], 180 [pass], 183 [twice, both pass], 246 [twice, both pass]; 4:25 [mas; n.], 66, 77 [twice, once pass], 103 [mas; n.]; 5:32, 45; 6:54; 57:27.

4:25: Kitāb in this verse is a maf<sup>c</sup>ūl muţlaq, and the complete construction would be: Kataba llāhu dhālika <sup>c</sup>alaykum kitāban. Kash., 1:261.

4:103: *Kitāb* in this verse is a maşdar that has been used in the sense of the passive participle, maktūb ("obligatory"). The verse has been categorized + OBJ + PREP because the underlying form of the word kitāb (= maktūb) is katabahū (+ OBJ), the underlying form of kitāban <sup>c</sup>alayhi (= maktūban <sup>c</sup>alayhi) thus being katabahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi (+ OBJ + PREP).

6:12: Kash., 2:5.

22:4: See Tad., 4:348.

ii. to predestine sth for sb:

\*la baraza lladhīna kutiba <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-qatlu ilā madāji<sup>c</sup>ihim, Those who were predestined to be killed would have gone out to their [designated] falling-places: 3:154.

\*wa law lā an kataba llāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-jalā'a, Had God not foredoomed them to exile: 59:3.

Shamm., 312/12: wa innī <sup>c</sup>adānī <sup>c</sup>ankumū ghayra māqitin/ nawārāni maktūbun <sup>c</sup>alayya bughāhumā, "Two shy/bashful women [lit: two Nawār's] have turned me away from you not that I hate you—and it is destined that I should seek them." (On Nawār, see n. to 313 ( $QT^{C}$ ) V.1.ii.)

**b.** katabahū fihi, to entrench sth in sth:

\* $ul\bar{a}'ika kataba ll\bar{a}hu fi qulubihimu l-<math>im\bar{a}na$ , They are the ones on whose hearts He has engraved faith [= in whose hearts God has caused faith to become entrenched]: 58:22.

Suwayd ibn Abī Kāhil, Mufadd., 399/61: kataba r-rahmānu wa I-hamdu lahū/sa<sup>c</sup>ata I-akhlāqi finā wa d-dala<sup>c</sup>, "God praise be to Him—has ingrained in us excellent qualities of character and [the] ability [to perform great tasks]."

# c. katabahū lahū:

i. to decree/ordain sth for sb:

\* $m\bar{a}$  kutiba lahunna, That which has been decreed for them [= has been declared by God to be their right]: 4:127.

\*lan yusībanā illā mā kataba llāhu lanā, We shall not be overtaken by anything except what God has ordained for us: 9:51 [obj und; n.].

Also: 2:187 [obj und]; 5:21 [obj und]; 7:156 [twice].

In these verses, the meaning of writing is not excluded, but perhaps the idea of "decreeing" (irrespective of whether the decree is reduced to writing or not) is the primary one. Cf. Kash., 1:331.

The verses imply that what is ordained or decreed for one is good and beneficial. But then 9:51 would seem to be problematic, for, in a context of "affliction," one would expect <sup>c</sup>alā, rather than lām, to be used with kataba. Rāghib's comment (Muf., 424) is well-taken: The use of lām indicates that the believers, who are the speakers in the verse, are convinced that, coming from God, even suffering is in the final analysis a blessing: . . . tanbīhan anna kulla mā yusībunā na<sup>c</sup>udduhū ni<sup>c</sup>matan lanā wa lā na<sup>c</sup>udduhū niqmatan <sup>c</sup>alaynā.</sup>

ii. to credit sth [e.g. a good deed] to sb's account:

\*wa la yaqta<sup>c</sup>una wadiyan illa kutiba lahum, And not a valley do they cross [in the way of God] but that it is credited to their account: 9:121.

Also: 9:120.

Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:177) explains wādiyan in this verse as "a piece of land": Wa qad shā<sup>c</sup>a fī sti<sup>c</sup>māli l-<sup>c</sup>arabi bi ma<sup>c</sup>nā l-ardi.

**d.** katabahū ma<sup>c</sup>ahum, to count/include sb among certain people: 3:53; 5:83.

See also 248 (CDD) 1.2.

III. kātaba

.+ OB]

*kātaba I-<sup>c</sup>abda*, to make a freedom contract with a slave:

\*wa lladhīna yabtaghūna l-kitāba min mā malakat aymānukum fa katibūhum, And those of your slaves who desire a freedom contract, make a freedom contract with them: 24:33.

Kash., 3:75.

# 323. KDH

I. kadaha

+ PREP [ilā]

kadaha ilayhi, to labor one's way to sth:

\*innaka kādiņun ilā rabbika kadņan, You have to labor your way to your Lord: 84:6.

Tadmin of masha/dhahaba.

324. KDY

IV. akdā

akda, to be stingy:

\*wa a<sup>c</sup>tā qalīlan wa akdā, And he gives [in charity] only a little, acting like a miser: 53:34.

Kadāhu means: to stop someone from doing something or divert him from it. Kudyah is a huge and hard rock that a person cannot break—one, that is, which "stops" the digger from proceeding with his work. Akdā l-hāfiru means: the digger came face to face with a kudyah which stopped his work. From this comes the expression, sa'alahū fa akdā, "He asked him for alms, but he gave little/behaved like a miser." See Aq., 2:1072. Also, Kash., 4:41; Tad., 7:75.

# 325. KDhB

I. kadhaba

1. + OBJ

kadhabahū, to misperceive/misrepresent sth:

\*mā kadhaba l-fuwādu mā ra'ā, What he [Prophet] saw his heart did not misrepresent: 53:11.

> Kadhabati l-<sup>c</sup>aynu, "(of eyes) to misperceive"; Dhū r-Rummah:  $m\bar{a}$  fī sam<sup>c</sup>ihī kadhibū, "There is no fault in his hearing [= he possesses a keen sense of hearing]." Aq., 2:1072. Also, <sup>c</sup>Ant., 29/[3].

2. + PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

kadhaba <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to give the lie to sb:

\*unzur kayfa kadhab $\overline{u}$  <sup>c</sup>al $\overline{a}$  anfusihim, Look, how they have given the lie to themselves: 6:24.

ii. to attribute sth to sb falsely:

\*alladhīna kadhabū Calā rabbihim, Those who have falsely attributed things to their Lord: 11:18.

Also: 39:32, 60.

326. KRM

IV. akrama

+ OBJ

akrama mathwahu, to lodge sb with honor:

\*akrimī mathwāhu, Let him reside/live [with us] with honor [lit: Make his place of stay honorable]: 12:21.

> Kash., 2:248. See also 62 (HSN) IV.

327. KSB

I. kasaba

1. VB

kasaba, to do [sth], perform [a deed/an action]:

\*wa lā taksibu kullu nafsin illā <sup>c</sup>alayhā, Whatever a person does he does on his own account: 6:164.

2. + OBJ

kasabah $\overline{u}$ , to do sth, perform a deed/an action:

\*man kasaba sayyi'atan, Whoever commits an evil act: 2:81.

\*lahā mā kasabat wa lakum mā kasabtum, They shall have [= shall be recompensed for] what they did, and you shall have what you did: 2:134 [obj und in both], 141 [obj und in both].

\*wa lākin yu'ākhidhukum bi mā kasabat qulūbukum, He will, however, call you to account for what your hearts have perpetrated [= for oaths taken solemnly/oaths that have issued from the "heart"]: 2:225 [obj und].

\*aw kasabat fī īmānihā khayran, Or [one] who has not performed any good deeds [while] in a state of belief: 6:158.

\*bi mā kasabat aydī n-nāsi, On account of people's doings [lit: on account of what people's hands have earned]: 30:41 [obj und; n.]. \*wa mā tadrī nafsun mā dhā taksibu ghadan, And no one knows how he will perform/what he will do tomorrow: 31:34 [obj und; n].

\*kullu mri'in bi mā kasaba rahīnun, Every man is held in pledge for his actions [= is liable for his actions, will be saved or damned depending upon his actions]: 52:21 [obj und].

\**mā aghnā <sup>c</sup>anhu mā kasaba,* His deeds were of no avail to him: 111:2 [obj und; n.]

Also the following, in all of which, unless otherwise indicated, the object is understood: 2:79, 202, 264, 281, 286; 3:25, 155, 161; 4:88, 111 [twice, obj pres in both], 112 [obj pres]; 5:38; 6:3, 70 [twice], 120 [obj pres], 129; 7:39, 96; 9:82, 95; 10:8, 27 [obj pres], 52; 13:33, 42; 14:18, 51; 15:84 [n.]; 18:58; 35:45; 36:65; 39:24, 48, 50 [n.], 51 [twice]; 40:17, 82 [n.]; 41:17; 42:22, 30, 34; 45:10 [n.], 14, 22; 74:38; 83:14.

Kasaba in the sense of "to earn [wealth, etc.]" occurs only in a few verses: in 2:267 (not listed); probably in 2:79 (see Kash., 1:78)—but not to the exclusion of the figurative meaning; and possibly in 31:34 and 45:10. On 111:2 see this note, below.

A number of verses, in which  $m\bar{a}$  is used and the verb has no stated object (e.g. 2:225), may be categorized as a simple VB construction if the  $m\bar{a}$  is taken to be *masdariyyah* rather than as a relative pronoun.

2:225: See Kash., 1:135.

15:84: Mā kānū yaksibūna in this verse refers more specifically to material achievements—those of the Thamūd, who had developed the art of building houses by carving into mountains (vs. 83). Tad., 3:621.

30:41: Cf. bi mā gaddamat aydīhim (303 (QDM) 11.2.i(b)).

31:34: See this note, above.

39:50: Here, as in 15:84 (see this note, above),  $m\bar{a}$  kanu yaksibuna refers to the material achievements which a defiant nation, instead of regarding them as a gift from God, claims to have made on its own (see vs. 49: innama utituhu cala ilmin). Tad., 5:596-98.

40:82 is similar to 15:84 and 39:50 (see this note, above).

45:10: See this note, above.

111:2: Wa  $m\bar{a}$  kasaba refers to those actions which were to Abū Lahab's mind good and honorable actions. The verse is saying that neither his wealth ( $m\bar{a}$  aghn $\bar{a}$  <sup>C</sup>anhu  $m\bar{a}$ luh $\bar{u}$ ) nor those of his actions which outwardly appeared to be good or which he himself might have regarded as good (wa  $m\bar{a}$ kasaba) will be of any avail to him. Tad., 8:635.

# VIII. iktasaba

+ OBJ

iktasabahū, to do sth, perform a deed/an action:

\*li kulli mri'in minhum ma ktasaba mina l-ithmi, Each of those men has [= will be held responsible for] the evil he has committed: 24:11 [obj und].

\*wa lladhīna yu'dhūna l-mu'minīna wa l-mu'mināti bi ghayri ma  $ktasab\overline{u}$ , And those who inflict hurt on believing men and women for something they have not done: 33:58 [obj und].

Also: 2:286 [obj und]; 4:32 [twice; obj und in both].

328. KShF

I. kashafa

1. + OBJ

kashafa l-amra, to remove/eliminate sth:

\*fa yakshifu mā tad<sup>C</sup>ūna ilayhi in shā'a, Then, if He wishes, He relieves the distress you call upon Him to relieve you of: 6:41.

\*wa yakshifu s-sū'a, And who relieves difficulties? 27:62.

Also: 6:17 [act pt]; 10:107 [act pt]; 17:56 [mas]; 21:84; 23:75; 39:38 [act pt]; 44:15 [act pt]; 53:58 [act pt; n.].

53:58: On kāshifah, see Kash., 4:43.

2. + OBJ + PREP [<sup>c</sup>an] kashafahū <sup>c</sup>anhu:

i. to relieve/rid sb of sth:

\*la in kashafta <sup>C</sup>annā r-rijza, If you deliver us from this punishment: 7:134.

Also: 7:135; 10:12, 98; 16:54; 43:50; 44:12.

Burj ibn Mus'hir, Ham., 3:1272/2: rafa<sup>C</sup>tu bi ra'sihī wa kashaftu <sup>C</sup>anhu/bi mu<sup>C</sup>raqatin malāmata man yalūmū, "I raised his head [= awoke him], and, by means of a pure wine, removed from him the reproach of the reproachful." (With a slight difference—fa' instead of wāw in the first hemistich the verse is also found in <sup>C</sup>Amr, 59/4.) Also, A<sup>C</sup>shā, 273/4; Tar., 67/53. ii. kashafa <sup>c</sup>anhu ghitā'hū, to open sb's eyes, [literally: to remove the veil/bandage from sb's eyes]: 50:22.

Jawwas al-Kalbī, Ham., 3:1493/4: fa kam min amīrin qabla marwāna wa bnihī/kashafnā ghitā'a l-ghammi <sup>C</sup>anhu fa abşarā, "And many a ruler there has been before Marwān and his son from whom we lifted the veil of distress, so that he was able to spot [his way]." Also, Qays, 10/10.

**iii.** \*yawma yukshafu <sup>C</sup>an sāqin, The day people will be in a state of panic [lit: the day the shank will be bared]: 68:42.

The idiom underlying the expression is, kashafati I-harbu can sagiha, which means: the war became intense/violent literally, the war revealed its shanks. Sa<sup>c</sup>d ibn Malik, Ham., 2:504/6: kashaftu lahum <sup>c</sup>an sāqihā, "I showed them its [war's] ferocity." Also, Hass., 395/[3]. The idiom arises from the practice of warriors to tuck up their trousers when fighting. Shanfarā (Mufadd., 204/23), wa ta'tī l-<sup>c</sup>adiyya bārizan nistu sāgihā, "She [Ta'abbata Sharran, who protected his companions, is compared to a mother who takes solicitous care of her children] attacks the enemy, with half of her leg showing." Likewise, shammara th-thawba can saqayhi means literally "to bare one's shanks" (Aq., 1:610), but the word shammara (and also tashammara) is then used in expressions (e.g. in a verse quoted by Anbari, Mufadd., 205) signifying getting to the battlefield or taking on some other important task in all earnestness. Another, and in the present context perhaps more pertinent, explanation of kashafati l-harbu can saqiha is that, at a time of panic in a battle, women (who accompanied the warriors to the battlefield in order to boost their morale) were forced to flee, and, as they fled, tucked up their trousers, revealing their legs (Tad., 7:528; Kash., 4:130-31). See, for example, Tar., 109/2, and Bacith ibn Suraym, Ham., 2:536/6; also, Tad., 7:528. Cf. the English expression, "to go at it baldheaded."

In 27:44 (not listed) kashafa <sup>c</sup>anhu has a literal meaning.

## 329. KZM

I. kazama

+ OBJ

kazamahū:

i. to choke down sth [e.g. anger, sorrow]:

\*wa l-kāzimīna l-ghayza, And those who suppress their anger: 3:134.

Also: 40:18 [act pt; obj und].

ii. kuzima, to be filled with grief:

\*fa huwa kazīmun, And he [Jacob] became deeply despondent [lit: oppressed with sorrow]: 12:84 [n.]

Also: 16:58; 43:17; 68:48 [pass pt]. [In 16:58 and 43:17, kazīm = makzūm.]

12:84: It is possible to take kazīm in this verse as an active or a passive participle (Bayd., 1:506); I have construed it as a passive participle (= makzūm), taking kazamahū *l-ghammu* rather than kazama *l-ghamma* as the pattern construction. Incidentally, Jacob, who is called kazīm in the verse, acted more out of sorrow than anger, and it is therefore more appropriate to supply the word ghamm rather than ghayz in the pattern constructions; it would hardly be correct to say (Kash., 2:271; Bayd, 1:506) that Jacob was filled with rage (ghayz) at his sons. Further, as Işlāhī says (Tad., 3:494), the use of the word kazīm in the verse constitutes praise for Jacob's patience: in spite of his great sorrow, he bore himself with dignity, complaining to no one except God (vs. 86).

- 330. KFR
  - III. akfara

mā akfarahū, How ungrateful he [man] is! 80:17.

 $M\bar{a} af^{c}alah\bar{u}$  is one of the two patterns of  $af^{c}\bar{a}l$  at-ta<sup>c</sup>ajjub.

331. KFF

- I. kaffa
- 1. + OBJ kaffahū:

i. to put a stop to sth, thwart sth:

\*<sup>c</sup>asā Ilāhu an yakuffa ba'sa Iladhīna kafarū, it is possible that God will check the power of those who have disbelieved: 4:84.

ii. kaffa yadahū, to stay sb's hands, keep sb from attacking [sb]: 4:77, 91.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{C}an$ ]

i. kaffahū<sup>c</sup>anhu, to prevent sb from attacking sb:

\*wa idh kafaftu banī isrā īla <sup>c</sup>anka, And when I kept the Israelites from you [Jesus]: 5:110.

Also: 21:39.

ii. kaffa yada fulānin <sup>c</sup>an fulānin, to prevent sb [lit: sb's hands] from attacking/hurting sb:

\*fa kaffa aydiyakum <sup>C</sup>anhum, But He kept them from laying hands on you: 5:11.

Also: 48:20, 24.

Ham., 1521/2: lā yaqbisu l-jāru minhum fadla nārihimī/wa lā tukaffu yadun <sup>c</sup>an hurmati l-jārī, "[They are so stingy that] their neighbor may not even take/borrow from them fire they can spare; nor are they barred [lit: nor are their hands stayed] from violating the neighbor's honor." Ibid., 3:1524/3: a minhum antumū fa akuffa <sup>c</sup>ankum, "Do you, too, belong to them, so that I should spare you?" Also, ibid., 3:1198/3; 4:1712/1.

# 332. KFY

I. kafā

1. + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

\*a wa lam yakfi bi rabbika annahū <sup>c</sup>alā kulli shay'in shahīdin, Is it not sufficient that Your Lord is a witness to everything? 41:53.

**2.**+ OBJ + OBJ

kafahu iyyahu, to suffice sb against/in respect of sb/sth:

\*fa sa yakfīkahumu llāhu, God will suffice you against them: 2:137.

\*innā kafaynāka l-mustahzi'īna, We suffice you against those who make mockery: 15:95.

\*wa kafā Ilāhu I-mu'minīna I-qitāla, And God sufficed the believers with respect to the war: 33:25.

3. + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$  + TAMYIZ

kafā bihī kadhā, (of sb/sth) to be sufficient/adequate in respect of sth/for a certain purpose:

\*wa kafā bi llāhi hasīban, And God will suffice as a reckoner: 4:6; 33:39. Kāf

\*wa kafā bihī ithman mubīnan, And that in itself constitutes a flagrant sin: 4:50.

\*wa kafa bi jahannama sa<sup>c</sup>iran, And hell will do for a flaming fire: 4:55.

\*kafā bi nafsika l-yawma <sup>c</sup>alayka hasīban, Today you will suffice as your own reckoner [= reckoner of your own deeds]: 17:14.

*Also:* 4:45 [twice], 70, 79, 81, 132, 166, 171; 10:29; 13:43; 17:17, 65, 96; 21:47; 25:31, 58; 29:52; 33:3, 48; 46:8; 48:28.

Burj ibn Mus'hir at-Ta'i, Ham., 2:619/8: kafā bi l-qubūri şāriman law ra<sup>c</sup>aytahū, "Death [lit: graves] would have sufficed as the severer [of relations between us], if only you had waited for it [instead of severing the relations yourself]." Umm Qays ad-Dabbiyyah, ibid., 3:1060/2: wa mash'hadin qad kafayta l-ghā'ibīna bihī, "Many a scene [of dispute] there is [at which] you have sufficed [as a representative of] those who were absent." Also, ibid., 4:1631/1; Hāt., 235/15.

## 333. KLB

II. kallaba

VB

kallaba, to train [an animal/bird to hunt]: 5:4 [act pt].

# 334. KWN

- I. kāna
- 1. + PREDICATE

\*wa mā kāna hādhā l-qur'ānu an yuftarā min dūni llāhi, This Qur'ān is not the kind [of book] that could have been forged without God's knowledge [lit: in isolation from God]: 10:37.

2. + PREP [lām]

i. \*wa in yakun lahumu l-haqqu, If the decision is [going to be] in their favor: 24:49.

ii. The phrase  $m\bar{a}$  kana lahu an yaf<sup>c</sup>ala kadha means "it is not for him/appropriate for him to do so." It may not behoove a person to do something for several reasons—because:

(a) it would be out of place for him to do so:

\*fa mā yakūnu laka an tatakabbara fīhā, it is not for you [Satan] to be prideful in it [heaven]: 7:13.

That is, there is no room for pride in heaven.

(b) it is religiously/morally reprehensible for one/forbidden to one to do so:

\*wa mā yakūnu lanā an na<sup>c</sup>ūda fihā, And it is not right for us to rejoin it [your faith]: 7:89.

\*mā kāna li nabiyyin wa lladhīna āmanū an yastaghfirū li lmushrikīna, It is not appropriate for the Prophet and those who have believed to ask forgiveness for the idolators: 9:113.

\*wa mā kāna lakum an tu'dhū rasūla llāhi wa lā an tankihū azwājahū min ba<sup>c</sup>dihī abadan, It is not allowed to you to cause suffering to the Prophet of God, or to marry his wives after him, ever: 33:53.

Also: 2:114; 4:92; 5:116; 9:120; 12:38.

(c) one is far above doing sth:

\*wa mā kāna li nabiyyin an yaghulla, It is not for a prophet to be perfidious: 3:161 [n.].

\**mā kāna li nabiyyin an yakūna lahū asrā*..., It is not for a prophet to take prisoners...: 8:67 [n.].

\**mā kāna li llāhi an yattakhidha min waladin,* God is far above taking a child to Himself: 19:35.

3:161: That is, being fraudulent is incompatible with prophethood. As Zamakhsharī (Kash., 1:226) says: Mā ṣaḥḥa lahū dhālika, ya<sup>c</sup>nī anna n-nubuwwata tunāfī l-ghulūla. 8:67: Kash., 2:134. Also, Mir, 112-14.

(d) sth is too good for one to do/have, one does not enjoy a status high enough to do sth:

\*wa mā kāna li basharin an yukallimahū llāhu illā waḥyan aw min warā'i ḥijābin . . . , It is not for a human being to be spoken to by God except through revelation or from behind a curtain . . . : 42:51.

(e) one does not have the ability/power/means to do sth, it is not possible for one to do sth:

\*wa mā kāna li nafsin an tamūta illā bi idhni llāhi, It is not possible for a person to die except by God's command: 10:100.

\*mā kāna lakum an tunbitū shajaratahā, You do not have the power to create their [gardens'] trees: 20:67.

(f) one is not authorized/entitled to do so:

\*qul mā yakūnu lī an ubaddilahū min tilgā'i nafsī, Say, "It is not given to me to change it [Qur'ān] on my own": 10:15.

\*wa mā kāna li rasūlin an ya'tiya bi āyatin illā bi idhni llāhi, A messenger does not have the right to produce/come up with even a single verse—except with the permission of God: 13:38.

Also: 14:11.

iii. Mā kāna li yaf<sup>c</sup>ala (kadhā) is different from ii, and means that a person is not/cannot be/would not be so and so—the idea being that:

(a) one is not in a position to do sth:

\*wa mā kunnā li nahtadiya law lā an hadānā llāhu, We would not have been guided had it not been that God has guided us: 7:43.

\* $m\bar{a}$  kana li ya'khudha akhahu fi dini l-maliki, He [Joseph] could not have detained his brother according to the law of the king: 12:76 [n.].

Also: 9:70.

12:76: The use in this verse implies that Joseph *would* not do so because, according to the law, he *could* not.

(b) it is not necessary for one to do sth:

\*wa mā kāna l-mu'minūna li yanfirū kāffatan, It was not necessary for all the believers to set out: 9:122.

(c) it is not one's way/practice to do sth:

\*wa mā kāna rabbuka li yuhlika l-qurā bi zulmin wa ahluhā muşliņūna, And it is not the way of your Lord to destroy cities for the wrongs committed, if their [cities'] people are willing to set things right: 11:117.

\*wa mā kāna llāhu li yaẓlimahum, And God would not wrong them: 29:40.

Also: 3:179 [n.]; 6:131; 30:9.

3:179: Translated at 406 (WDhR) 1.2.

(d) one is not the type to do such-and-such a thing or let such-andsuch a thing happen to him:

\*qāla lam akun li asjuda li basharin, He [Satan] said, 'I would not/I am not one who would bow down to a human being': 15:33. Also: 4:168 [n.]; 10:74 [n.]; 98:1 [n.]

4:168: This verse may also belong at c above.

10:74: That is, through their stubbornness, the disbelievers lost their ability to believe, and no longer remained "the type" that would believe.

98:1 is similar to 10:74.

iv. For mā kāna yanbaghī lahū an yaf<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā, see 24 (BGhY) VII.

335. KYL

- I. kāla
  - + OB1

kalahu, to give [a measure of] weight: 83:3.

Kāla lahū, the original form, is frequently abbreviated to kālahū (see Kash., 4:194). Cf. 408 (WZN). According to Işlāhī (Tad., 8:254), the verse, taken in context, does not refer simply to the weighing of products, but rather speaks, in a general way, of giving people their rights. See also VIII, below, 232 (TFF) II, and 450 (WZN) 1.

## VIII. iktāla

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

*iktāla <sup>c</sup>alayhi*, to take/receive a measure from sb: 83:2.

According to |s|ahi (*Tad.*, 8:254), the verse makes reference to those who insist on getting their rights in full, without, however, giving the same rights to others. See 1 above, with n., 233 (*TFF*) 11, and 408 (*WZN*) 1.

LAM

336. LBTh

I. labitha

VB -

*mā labitha an fa<sup>c</sup>ala kadhā*, to do sth without much delay: \**fa mā labitha an jā'a bi <sup>c</sup>ijlin ḥanīdhin*, And it was not long before he came in with [meat of] a roasted calf: 11:69.

The construction is variously explained. <sup>C</sup>Ukbarī (2:42) suggests five, or rather six, possibilities in all. Of these, the first (interpreting *labitha* as *ta'akhkhara* and assuming that the preposition <sup>C</sup>an, which would go with *ta'akhkhara*, has been omitted, yielding the construction: fa mā labitha <sup>C</sup>an an jā'a) and the fourth (making an jā'a the subject of *labitha*, yielding a construction equivalent in meaning to: fa mā abța'a majī'uhū) seem more plausible than the rest; I have chosen the fourth interpretation, hence the categorization of the verse as VB.

*Cljl handh* in the verse does not necessarily mean that Abraham presented before his guests a whole roasted calf. *Tad.*, 3:403.

Abū I-Fadl al-Kinānī, Aşm., 76/22: wa lan yalbatha I-juhhālu an yatahaddamū/akhā I-hilmi mā lam yasta<sup>c</sup>in bi jahūlī, "The reckless will not hesitate to usurp what belongs to a forbearing person, unless the latter himself seeks the help of a reckless person." Lām

# 337. LBS

I. labasa

1. VB

\*bal hum fi labsin min khalqin jadidin, Rather, they are in a state of doubt/uncertainty/confusion concerning a new creation: 50:15.

2. + OBJ

i. labasa l-amra, to confuse a matter:

\*mā yalbisūna: 6:9: see 3.a below.

ii. labasahum, to cause people to become embroiled in quarrels:
 \*aw yalbisakum shiya<sup>c</sup>an, Or that He should set you against one

another, divided into so many sects: 6:65.

Labasa here retains the sense of "to cause confusion" (cf i, above), as the verse pictures a "confused struggle/fight."

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]

a. *labasa <sup>c</sup>alayhi l-amra,* to make a matter doubtful for sb:

\*wa la labasnā <sup>c</sup>alayhim mā yalbisūna, And We would have confounded for them what they are trying to confound: 6:9 [obj und; n.].

\*wa li yalbisū <sup>c</sup>alayhim dīnahum, And so that they [false associates of God] may confound their religion for them: 6:137.

> 6:9: Kash., 2:5. 6:137: Kash., 2:42. See also 270 (<sup>C</sup>MY) 1.a.

**b.** *labasa sh-shay'a bi sh-shay'i*, to mix one thing up with another: \*wa lā talbisū l-haqqa bi l-bātili, And do not mix truth up with falsehood: 2:42.

\*alladhīna lam yalbisū īmānahum bi zulmin, Those who have not polluted their faith with any wrong: 6:82.

Also: 3:71.

# 338. LJJ

I a j j a

 + PREP [fi]
 lajja fi l-amri, to persist in sth:

\*la lajjū fī tughyānihim, They would have persisted in their rebelliousness: 23:75.

\*bal lajjū fī <sup>c</sup>utuwwin wa nufūrin, Rather, they persisted in their defiance and averseness: 67:21.

Lab., 3/1: arā n-nafsa lajjat fī rajā'in mukadhdhibī, "I see that my self/soul continues to entertain false hopes." (Mukadhdhib and mukadhdhab are two readings, making for slightly different meanings. See commentary on the verse, ibid.)

See also 269 (CMH) 1.2, and 353 (MDD) 1.2.a.

339. LHD

IV. alhada

+ PREP [a. fi; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ]

a. alhada fihi:

i. to misinterpret/distort sth:

*\*inna lladhīna yulhidūna fī āyātinā,* Indeed, those who are putting a false construction on Our signs: 41:40.

ii. to blaspheme sth, be disrespectful/irreverent toward sth:

\*wa dharū lladhīna yulḥidūna fī asmā'ihī, And leave those alone who blaspheme His names: 7:180.

Alhada fi asmā'i llāhi is to commit sacrilege against the divine attributes, that is, to posit of God attributes that are unbecoming of Him and cannot belong to Him. Tad., 2:775. Alhada s-sahmu l-hadafa, "(of an arrow) to fall to one side of the target." Muf., 448. Also, Kash., 2:105-6; 3:392.

b. alhada ilayhi, to point/allude to sb/sth: 16:103.

340. LHF

IV. alhafa

UNB.

alhafa s-sā'ilu, (of a beggar) to pester [sb] for alms: 2:273.

For a translation of the verse, see 161 (S'L) 1.1.ii.

Lihāf is anything one uses to wrap oneself in, e.g. a blanket or quilt. Alhafa  $s-s\bar{a}'ilu$  gives the picture of a begger who wraps himself around another person and would not let

341. LHN

I. lahana

VB

lahana, to equivocate:

\*wa la ta<sup>c</sup>rifannahum fi lahni l-qawli, And you will definitely recognize them from the way they twist their words/speech: 47:30.

Lahana fi kalāmihī, "to mispronounce words/equivocate"; <sup>c</sup>araftu dhālika fi lahni kalāmihī, "l understood that from the allusions he made in his speech/from the equivocal nature of his talk." Asās, 561-62. Also, Kash., 3:459; Tad., 6:422.

## 342. LZM

IV. alzama

+ OB + OB

alzamahū sh-shay'a:

i. to impose sth upon sth:

\*a nulzimukumūhā wa antum lahā kārihūna, Shall We force it [divine mercy—i.e. revelation] upon you even if you should happen to dislike it: 11:28.

ii. to bind sb to sth:

\*wa alzamahum kalimata t-taqwa, And We bound them to/made them stick to the Word of Piety: 48:26.

The kalimat at-taqwa is the declaration made by the Companions before the Prophet, namely: Raqītu bi Ilāhi rabban wa bi muhammadin rasūlan wa bi I-islāmi dīnan, "I am content in taking God as my Lord, Muhammad as my prophet, and Islam as my religion." Tad., 6:465. Cf. Kash., 3:467.

iii. \*wa kulla insānin alzamnāhu tā'irahū fī <sup>c</sup>unuqihī, And around every man's neck We have hung/fastened his fate [= We have bound every man to his fate/destiny]: 17:13.

 $T\bar{a}'ir$ , literally, "bird," came to be used in the sense of "fate," since the Arabs used birds for purposes of omentaking and fortune-telling. *Tad.*, 3:732. Lām

# 343. LTF

V. talattafa

VB

talattafa, to be circumspect:

\*wa l-yatalattaf, And let him be circumspect [about it]: 18:19.

# 344. LGhW

 I a g h ā + PREP [fi] laghā fihi:

i. laghā fī gawlihī, to say sth without really meaning it:

\*la yu'akhidhukumu llahu bi l-laghwi fi aymanikum, God will not call you to account for the oaths you have sworn thoughtlessly: 2:225; 5:89.

ii. laghā fī kalāmi fulānin, to disturb sb in his speech:

\*lā tasma<sup>c</sup>ū li hādhā l-qur'āni wa l-ghaw fīhi, Do not listen to this Qur'ān; rather, create disturbance in it [= during its recitation]: 41:26.

That is, when the Prophet recites the Quran to people, try to create confusion by heckling and hooting so that people cannot hear the recitation of the Quran. Tad., 6:99.

# 345. LFF

VIII. iltaffa

+ PREP [ba]

\*wa I-taffati s-sāqu bi s-sāqi, And [when, as a result of weakness] shank twines around shank: 75:29.

> Following Farāhī (*Majm.*, 217-18 [see also Kash., 4:166]). The Qur'ānic passage in which this verse occurs describes a man who is at death's door and cannot be saved by physicians. A man in this state feels as if all strength has left him; as he tries to walk, his legs entwine, and he cannot walk. Cf. a similar description by A<sup>c</sup>shā, 353/27: in wada<sup>c</sup>nā <sup>c</sup>anhu bi baydā'a qafrin/aw qarannā dhirā<sup>c</sup>ahū bi wazītī, "[It would make no difference to my sturdy came]] if I [lit: we] were to relieve it of some load during [its journey through]

Cf. "to be on one's last legs."

# 346. LFW

IV. alfā

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

alfahu <sup>c</sup>ala kadha, to find sb practicing sth:

\*qālū bal nattabi<sup>c</sup>u mā alfaynā <sup>c</sup>alayhi abā'anā, They say, "We would rather follow what we have found our forefathers practicing": 2:170.

See also 402 (W/D) 1.3.a.

## 347. LQY

 I a q i y a + OBJ lagiyahū:

i. to feel/experience sth: lagiya n-nasaba, to be tired/weary: 18:62.

lyās ibn al-Aratt, Ham., 3:1278/4: fa in yaku khayrun aw yakun ba<sup>C</sup>du rāḥatin/fa innaka lāqin min ghumūmin wa min karbī, "For [even] if there be any good or comfort [that becomes your lot], you are surely going to experiece sorrow and pain." Al-Ma<sup>C</sup>lūt al-Asadī, Ham., 3:1382/1: ghayyadna min <sup>C</sup>abarātihinna wa qulna lī/mā dhā laqīta mina l-hawā wa laqīnā, "They [women] wiped off [lit: caused to become less] their tears and said to me, "What [suffering] have you and we seen in love!" Also, Mālik ibn Harīm al-Hamdānī, Asm., 63/7; Farazdaq, Ham., 3:1208/2 (cited at 202 (ShMT) IV).

ii. to face [the consequences of] sth:

yalqa athāman, He shall face [the consequences of his] sin: 25:68.

Also: 19:59.

iii. to obtain/realize/acquire sth:

*laqiya l-wa<sup>c</sup>da*, to obtain/realize what is promised [to one]: 28:61 [act pt].

Lām

I. I a q q ā
 + OBJ + OBJ
 laggāhu sh-shay'a:

i. to cause sb to have/experience sth, grant sth to/bestow sth upon sb:

\*wa innaka la tulaqqā l-qur'āna min ladun hakīmin <sup>c</sup>alīmin, And the Qur'ān is being conveyed to you from an All-Wise, All-Knowing Being: 27:6.

\*wa lā yulaqqāhā illā ṣ-ṣābirūna, And it is granted only to those who show perseverance: 28:80.

\**laqqāhum nadratan wa surūran*, He will bless them with joy and happiness: 76:11.

Also: 41:35 [twice, both pass].

ii. lagqāhu t-tahiyyata, to salute/greet sb:

\*wa yulaqqawna fihā taḥiyyatan wa salāman, And in them [lofty quarters of paradise] they will be accosted with "greetings!" and "peace!": 25:75.

III. lāgā

+ OBJ

i. *lāgā l-yawma*, to come upon/see a day:

\*hatta yulaqu yawmahumu lladhi yucaduna, Until they come upon the day they are being threatened with: 43:83; 70:42.

*Also*: 6:130; 7:51, 147; 23:33; 30:16; 32:14, 23 [pron; n.]; 39:71; 45:34; 52:45. [All *masdars* except 52:45.]

32:23: The antecedent of the pronoun is that "day of revenge" or "day of punishment" of which vss. 21-23 have already warned. *Tad.*, 5:169.

ii. lāgā hisābahū, to face one's reckoning: 69:20 [act pt].

- IV. algā
- 1. VB

algā:

i. (of a magician/sorcerer) to perform a feat/trick:

*\*immā an tulqiya aw an nakūna awwala man alqā,* Either you perform your feat [first] or we shall be the first ones to do so: 20:65.

\*fa kadhālika alqā s-sāmiriyyu, This is how the Samaritan performed his trick: 20:87.

Also: 7:115 [twice, once act pt], 116 [twice]; 10:81; 20:66.

*Tad.*, 2:722 (on 7:115-16). See also 2.i below. See also 373 (*NBDh*) 1.1.ii.

**ii.** to plot/intrigue:

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\*fa yansakhu llāhu mā yulqī sh-shaytānu, But God sets Satan's machinations at naught/thwarts the schemes Satan devises: 22:52 [n.]. Also: 22:53.

> Taking the *ma* in both verses as *maşdariyyah*. 22:52: See also 3 below, with n.

2. + OBJ

algāhu:

i. (of a magician/sorcerer) to cast sth [e.g. ropes] in performing a trick/feat:

\*alqū mā antum mulqūna, Cast whatever you intend to cast: 10:80 [obj of act pt und]; 26:43 [obj of act pt und].

Also: 26:44.

7:107, 117; 26:45—Moses is the subject of the verb in all three verses—are not listed because they seem to carry a literal meaning: Moses does "throw" his staff, but, in doing so, he is not acting like a magician. One could, however, argue that his act of "throwing" the staff and the magicians' performance of feats are at least formally alike. If this reasoning is accepted, the three verses will have to be listed. Two other verses, 27:10 and 28:31 (the subject of the verb in them is again Moses) have only a literal meaning.

See also 1.i above, and 373 (NBDh) 1.1.ii.

ii. to offer/present sth:

(a) alga ma<sup>c</sup>dhiratan, to offer/present an excuse: 75:15.

(b) alqā s-salama, to capitulate/surrender: [lit: to offer peace (to sb)]: 16:28.

See also 4.d.iv(a)(ii) below.

iii. algā s-sam<sup>c</sup>a, to listen carefully, be all ears: 26:223; 50:37.

Each of the two verses has a different shade of meaning. 50:37 implies listening to words of guidance carefully and with genuine interest. 26:223, on the other hand, is sarcastic. It describes an Arabian soothsayer, who, in order to convince his followers that he can make contact with the realm of *ghayb*, goes into meditation, being all ears, as if expecting to receive communications from that realm. *Tad.*, 4:699-700. See Hass., 477/[3].

iv. \*wa alqaynā fihā rawāsiya, And in it [earth] We have installed mountains: 15:19; 50:7.

Also: 16:15; 31:10.

v. alqā l-aqlāma, to draw lots by using marked arrows [lit: to cast arrows]:

\*wa mā kunta ladayhim idh yulqūna aqlāmahum ayyuhum yakfulu maryama, And you were not with them when they were drawing lots by means of arrows [lit: casting their arrows], [in order to decide] who would take Mary as his ward: 3:44.

Islāhī writes: "By aqlām is meant the arrows that are used in drawing lots. The use of gambling arrows is forbidden in the Sharī<sup>C</sup>ah, but there is no harm in using them for the purpose of drawing lots. Drawing lots is a perfectly acceptable way of reaching a decision in a situation where the claims of the parties to a dispute are evenly matched . . . The [result of the] drawing of lots is also taken to be indicative of the divine will." Tad., 1:687. Incidentally, there may be wordplay involved in the Qurānic use of the word aqlām, for qalam(sing. of aqlām) means "pen" as well as "arrow," and the people who were trying to determine the question of Mary's custody were scholars of the Torah and, as such, used pens for writing the Torah, etc. Cf. Kash., 1:189: Hiya I-aqlāmu Ilatī kānū yaktubūna bihā t-tawrāta, ikhtārūhā li I-qur<sup>c</sup>ati tabarrukan bihā.

Cf. 308 (QSM) X.

## 3. + PREP [*ila*]

alqā fī l-amri, to seek to sabotage a scheme/plan:

\*wa mā arsalnā min qablika min rasūlin wa lā nabiyyin illā idhā tamannā alqā sh-shaytānu fī umniyyatihī, Never did We send before you a messenger or a prophet but that, when he desired [to promote the cause of God], Satan sought to defeat his hopes: 22:52. Tad., 4:407. Nearly exact English idiomatic equivalents of 22:52 (and also of 22:53 [1.ii, above]) are: "to put a spoke in sb's wheel" and "to throw a spanner into sb's works."

4. + OBJ + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bayna; c. fī; d. ilā]

a. algāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. to cover sth with sth:

\*wa alqaytu <sup>c</sup>alayka mahabbatan minni, And I have enveloped you in my love: 20:39.

ii. to grant/give sth to sb:

\*yulqī r-rūha min amrihī <sup>c</sup>alā man yashā'u min <sup>c</sup>ibādihī, He bestows the spirit [= revelation]—which belongs to [the category of] His Phenomena/Matters—upon whomever from among His people He likes: 40:15.

*Min amrihī* in the verse signifies that the revelation belongs to a special category of divine matters, and, accordingly, not everyone can comprehend its nature. See *Tad.*, 6:24-25; also, ibid., 3:783-84.

\*fa law la ulqiya <sup>c</sup>alayhi aswiratun min dhahabin, Why, then, were bracelets of gold not sent down upon him? 43:53.

\*a ulqiya dh-dhikru <sup>c</sup>alayhi min bayninā, What, has the Reminder [= revelation] been sent down upon him of all of us?: 54:25.

iii. to impose sth on sb, charge sb with sth:

\*innā sa nulqī <sup>c</sup>alayka qawlan thaqīlan, We shall soon lay on you a heavy responsibility [lit: a weighty word] 73:5.

**b.** \*wa alqaynā baynahumu *l-cadāwata wa l-baghdā'a*, And We sowed the seeds of dissension and hatred among them: 5:64.

c. algā fī galbihī r-ru<sup>c</sup>ba, to strike terror in sb's heart: 3:151; 8:12.

See also 304 (QDhF) 1.2.

**d.** algāhu ilayh:

i. to consign sth to sb:

(a) \*wa lā tulqū bi aydīkum ilā t-tahlukati, And do not-with your own hands-consign yourselves to ruin: 2:195 [obj und].

2:195: I take wa lā tulqū anfusakum bi aydīkum ilā ttahlukati to be the complete construction, one of the possibilities suggested by Zamakhsharī (Kash., 1:119). On bi aydīkum in the verse, cf. Islāhī (Tad., 1:436): "The words bi aydīkum in 2:195 paint the picture of a man who, standing on a height with his arms outstretched, is poised for a jump into a river or a cavern below. Similar expressions have been used by some Arab poets."

(b) \*wa kalimatuhū alqāhā ilā maryama, And [Jesus is] His Word which He consigned to Mary: 4:171.

ii. to convey/deliver sth to sb:

(a) \*aw yulqā ilayhi kanzun, Or [why was not] a treasure supplied to him? 25:8.

(b) algā ilayhi l-kitāba:

(i) to deliver a letter to sb: 27:28, 29 [pass].

(ii) to give a scripture to sb:

\*wa mā kunta tarjū an yulqā ilayka l-kitābu, You never expected that a scripture would be given to you: 28:86.

iii. algā ilayhi l-gawla, to say sth to sb: 16:86.

The verse implies that the angels will "throw" or "hurl" their statements at the people of hell.

iv. to offer sth to sb:

(a) algā ilayhi s-salama:

(i) to capitulate/surrender to sb: 16:87.

That is, those who acted pridefully in their earthly life will, on the Last Day, humbly submit to the verdict of God. *Kash.*, 3:340.

See also 2.ii(b) above.

(ii) to offer to make peace with sb: 4:90, 91.

Following Islāhī (Tad., 2:130, 131, 132). The meaning, "to make/offer to make peace with sb," fits the context better than the meaning, "to capitulate/surrender to sb" (i, above; cf. Kash., 1:289), though the two verses do imply that the offer of peace is made because of a recognition of one's weak position.

See also 2.ii(b) above.

(b) alqā ilayhi s-salāma, to greet sb with the [Islamic] greeting of "peace!" 4:94.

# 5. + PREP $[il\bar{a}]$ + PREP $[b\bar{a}']$

alqā ilayhi bi l-mawaddati, to court/cultivate sb's friendship: 60:1.

Kash., 4:86; Tad., 7:324. Cf. 166 (SRR) IV.

- V. talaggā
- 1. VB

talagga, to record [sth]: 50:17.

2. + OBJ

talaggahu, to receive/welcome sb: 21:103.

3. + OB] + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

\**idh talaqqawnahū bi alsinatikum*, When you were passing it [report] on from tongue to tongue [= receiving and communicating the report uncritically]: 24:15.

As Islāhī observes (Tad., 4:512 [cf. Kash., 3:66]), the Qur'ān is here criticizing those Muslims who accepted a certain report uncritically, receiving the report and passing it on using their tongues—i.e. without subjecting it to scrutiny, the proper instrument for receiving or accepting reports being reason, not the tongue.

# 348. LMH

- I. lamaha
- 1. + VB

lamaha l-basaru, (of eyes) to notice at a glance:

\*wa mā amru s-sā<sup>c</sup>ati illā ka lamhi l-baṣari, The bringing about [lit: the matter] of the Hour is just like a twinkling of the eye [= it is easy for God to bring about the hereafter]: 16:77.

2. + PREP

lamaha bi l-basari, to take a glance:

\*wa mā amrunā illā wāḥidatun ka lamḥin bi l-baṣari, And Our command [to bring about the hereafter] will be given but once, [and the hereafter will come about] like the twinkling of an eye: 54:50.

Lamahtuhū bi başarī, "I glanced at him." Asās, 572. CAbd Allāh ibn ad-Dumaynah al-Khath<sup>c</sup>amī, Ham., 3:1264/7: wa

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lamhin bi <sup>c</sup>aynayhā ka'anna wamīḍahū/wamīḍu l-ḥayā tuhdā li najdin shaqā'iquh, "She cast a glance [at me], and its sparkle was like the lightning of [life-giving] coulds whose portions are being shown the way to Najd."

## 349. LMS

- I. lamasa
  - + OBJ

*lamasahū*, to feel about in order to learn the news of sth, check sth out:

\*wa annā lamasnā s-samā'a, And we checked out the heavens: 72:8.

Ham., 2:899/5:  $ul\bar{a}mu \, {}^{C}al\bar{a}$  tabakkīhi/wa almusuhū fa  $l\bar{a}$  ajiduh, "I am censured for crying over him. But I look for him [lit: feel/grope around for him] and do not find him." See also Kash., 4:146.

- III. lāmasa
  - + OBJ

*lāmasa l-mar'ata*, to have sexual intercourse with a woman: 4:43; 5:6.

See also 359 (MSS) 1.2.ii and VI.

## 350. LHW

- I. lahā
  - VB

*lahā* qalbuhū, (of sb's heart) to be given to distractions/fun and amusement: 21:3 [act pt].

Lahā in this verse may be interpreted as lahā bihī ("to divert/distract oneself with sth") or (Kash., 3:3) as lahā <sup>c</sup>anhu ("to be heedless of sth"). The absence of a preposition suggests both meanings equally strongly, and perhaps both are intended, the first as the cause of the second: the disbelievers are so given to play and amusement (lahā bihī) that they neglect the divine message (lahā <sup>c</sup>anhu).

## 351. LWY

I. lawā

**1.** + PREP [a.  $Cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]

a. lawa <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to turn around to take a look at sth:

\*wa lā talwūna <sup>c</sup>alā aḥadin, And you did not [so much as] turn around to take a look at anyone: 3:153.

"The expression fulānun lā yalwī <sup>c</sup>alā aḥadin is used of a person who beats a brisk retreat [and, in doing so, does not even look back]." Muf., 457-58. Cf. A<sup>c</sup>shā Bāhilah, Asm., 89/ 4. Also, Imr., 62/22; Khirn., 40/3. Hassān (197/5) uses the expression, combining the literal and the metaphorical meanings: wa lam yalwū <sup>c</sup>alā l-ḥasabi t-talīdī, "And they [the fleeing Quraysh] did not look back on/to their noble stock of old." Cf. also <sup>c</sup>Antarah (9/[6]), who uses it in a slightly different sense.

**b.** *lawā bi lisānihī*, to mispronounce: 4:46.

See n. to 2 below.

**2.** + OB] + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

lawā lisānahū bi sh-shay'i, to mispronounce sth:

\*wa inna minhum la farīqan yalwūna alsinatahum bi l-kitābi, And among them is a group of people who mispronounces the Book [lit: (they) twist their tongues in reading the Book]: 3:78.

> Kash., 1:197: Yaftilūna alsinatahum bi qirā'atihī <sup>c</sup>ani ş-şahīhi ilā l-muharrafi. Also, ibid., 1:272 (on 4:46 [1.b, above]); Tad., 1:730.

See also 1.b above, and 59 (HRF) II.

II. lawwā

+ OB]

*lawwā ra'sahū*, to shake one's head [in disbelief/indifference]: \**lawwaw ru'ūsahum*, They shake their heads: 63:5.

Aq., 2:1174; Kash., 4:101-2. See also 384 (NGhD) IV.

# 352. LYN

I. lāna

+ PREP [a. ilā; b. lām]

a. lāna lahū, to be gentle/kind to sb:

\*fa bi mā raḥmatin mina llāhi linta lahum, It is by God's grace that you are gentle/kind to them: 3:159.

b. lana ilayhi, to become soft and incline toward sth:

\*thumma talīnu julūduhum wa qulūbuhum ilā dhikri llāhi, Then their skins and hearts become soft and incline to the remembrance of God: 39:23.

Taḍmīn of māla (Tad., 5:580) or sakana or iṭma'anna (Kash., 3:345). Cf. 57:16 (an takhsha<sup>c</sup>a qulūbuhum li dhikri Ilāhi [cited at 12 ('NY) !]).

IV. alāna

+ OBJ + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

\*wa alannā lahū l-hadīda, And We made iron pliant for him [David] [= We enabled him to forge materials from iron]: 34:10.

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# 353. MDD

- I. madda
- + OBJ maddahū:

i. to extend/add to/augment sth:

\*wa l-bahru yamudduh $\tilde{u}$  min ba<sup>c</sup>dih $\tilde{i}$  sab<sup>c</sup>atu abhurin, And [if] the ocean were to [become ink and its water supply was to] be augmented by seven more oceans: 31:27.

Madda n-nahru, "(of the water of a river) to increase/ become abundant"; madda n-nahra nahrun ākharu "(of the water in a river) to be augmented by the water of another river." Muf., 464 (also ibid., 465); Asās, 585. See also Aq., 2:1192. Işlāḥī (Tad. 5:140 [cf. Kash., 3:215]) assumes the suppression of the word midād ("ink") after al-bahr, making it the counterpart of aqlām in the same verse, the complete construction thus being: wa law anna mā fī l-ardi min shajaratin aqlāmun wa l-bahru midādun yamudduhū....

ii. to make sth abundant:

\**wa ja<sup>c</sup>altu lahū mālan mamdūdan,* And I gave him great wealth: 74:12.

Asas, 586; Kash., 4:157.

iii. to intensify sth:

\*wa zillin mamdudin, And [they will enjoy] deep shades: 56:30.

Asās, 586. Mamdūd in this verse has the twin meanings of "extending far" and "dark." Madda z-zilla (25:45) is not listed because the verb madda has been used in it in the literal sense of physical extension, being opposed to sakana in the same verse (wa law shā'a la ja<sup>c</sup>alahū sākinan).

2. + PREP [lām]

\*fa l-yamdud lahū r-raḥmānu maddan, Then let the Compassionate One give him rope: 19:75.

Madda I-madyūna, "to grant a respite to the debtor." Aq., 2:1192. Kash., 2:421: Madda lahū r-raḥmānu, ya<sup>c</sup>nī amhalahū wa amlā lahū fī I-<sup>c</sup>umuri.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $f\bar{i}$ ; b.  $il\bar{a}$ ; c.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. maddahū fī ghayyihī, to cause sb to become further misguided: \*wa yamudduhum fī tughyānihim, And He lets them grow in their rebelliousness: 2:15.

Also: 7:202.

Kash., 1:35. See also 269 (<sup>C</sup>MH) 1.2, 338 (LJJ) 1.

b. madda <sup>c</sup>aynayhi ilā sh-shay'i, to cast one's eyes on sth:

\*lā tamuddanna <sup>c</sup>aynayka ilā mā matta<sup>c</sup>nā bihī azwājan minhum, Do not [even] lift up your eyes to what We have provided to certain groups from among them: 15:88; 20:131.

Madda <sup>c</sup>aynayhi ilayhi (<sup>c</sup>aynayhi = naẓara <sup>c</sup>aynayhi [see Kash., 2:452]) carries the sense of looking at something desiringly. The verses accordingly mean that the Prophet should have no desire for such-and-such things (ay lā taṭmaḥ bi baṣarika ṭumūḥa rāghibin fīhi mutamannin lahū [ibid, 2:310; also, ibid. 2:452]).

Hass., 258/[3]: innī la  $a^{c}jabu$  min qawlin ghurirta bihī/ hulwin yumaddu ilayhi s-sam<sup>c</sup>u wa l-başarū, "I am surprised at the talk you were taken in by—talk that is [outwardly] sweet and to which ears and eyes are applied [= which people are eager to hear and look forward to]."

**c.** madda lahū sh-shay'a, to give sb more of sth:

\*wa namuddu lahū mina l-<sup>c</sup>adhābi maddan, And We shall greatly add to his punishment: 19:79.

# 4. + PREP $[b\bar{a}']$ + PREP $[il\bar{a}]$

madda bi sababin ilā s-samā'i, to stretch out a rope to heaven [= to do one's utmost to accomplish sth]: 22:15.

The idiom means: to spare no effort, go to all lengths, use one's best endeavors, pull out the last trick from one's bag. Cf. Zuhayr, 30/[4]: wa man hāba asbāba l-manāya yanalnahū/ wa law nāla asbāba s-samā'i bi sullamī, "A person who fears death [will be unable to avert it, for], death will get to him, even if he were to ascend to the environs of the heaven, using a ladder." Also, A<sup>C</sup>shā (159/32). See Islāhī (Tad., 4:363), whose interpretation of the idiom I have borrowed, and who quotes the verses from Zuhayr and A<sup>C</sup>shā. Cf. Kash., 3:27-28. Cf. 24 (BGhY) VIII.2.b.

- 354. MRJ
  - I. marija
    - VB

marija l-amru, (of a matter) to be mixed up/confused:

\*fa hum fi amrin marijin, And so they are caught up in a confusion: 50:5.

> Marija I-khātamu fī I-isba<sup>C</sup>i is said of a ring on the finger that does not fit snugly but is loose and moves freely. See Asās, 588; Aq., 2:1197; Kash., 4:19. From this "free movement" arises the idea of lack of rootedness, hence of disturbance, and finally of disorder and confusion (cf. Zuh., 342/[5]).

## 355. MRD

I. marada

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

marada <sup>c</sup>alā sh-shay'i, to persist in sth, practice sth persistently: \*maradū <sup>c</sup>alā n-nifāgi, They have become quite adept in

hypocrisy: 9:101.

Marada <sup>c</sup>alayhi: marana wa stamarra <sup>c</sup>alyhi. Aq., 2:1198. Also, Kash., 2:169.

## 356. MRR

I. marra

**1**. VB

\*fa lammā kashafnā <sup>c</sup>anhu durrahū marra ka an lam yad<sup>c</sup>unā ilā durrin massahū, Once We relieve him of his distress, he walks away as if he never called upon Us to relieve him of his distress: 10:12.

Marra in this verse gives the sense of "to conduct oneself" (cf. Kash., 2:183: Marra, ay madā <sup>c</sup>alā tarīqatihī l-ūlā . . . aw marra <sup>c</sup>an mawqifi l-ibtihāli wa t-tadarru<sup>c</sup>i. . . ). One's attitude is, however, often reflected in one's style of walking, and marra in the verse may stand for "walking" in this sense.

# **2.** + PREP $[^{C}ala]$

marra <sup>C</sup>alayhi, to observe/review sth:

\*wa ka'ayyin min āyatin fī s-samāwāti wa l-ardi yamurrūna <sup>C</sup>alayhā, And many a sign there is in the heavens and on the earth which they observe/review: 12:105.

This is the meaning marra <sup>c</sup>alayhi seems to have in this verse, as the words fi s-samāwāti would suggest-for it would be difficult to say that one "passes by" the signs in the heavens. This is not to say that there is no connection between the ordinary meaning of the expression and the meaning given above. When one passes by something, one can watch or observe it. In other words, the fi<sup>c</sup>l has been used in the sense of fa'idat al-fi<sup>c</sup>l. (Cf. Kash., 2:277: Yamurruna calayha: yushahidunaha.) Another way to explain the use of marra <sup>c</sup>alayhi in this verse, while retaining the normal sense of the phrase, would be to assume that the Qur'an meant to say, wa ka'ayyin min āyatin fī l-ardi tamurrūna <sup>c</sup>alayhā (in which case marra <sup>c</sup>alayhi would mean going/passing by something [= by the signs found on the earth-e.g. the ruins of old civilizations]), but then inserted the phrase fi ssamāwāti before fi l-ardi, and, after supplying the conjunction waw and suppressing the fi preceding al-ard, used the same preposition-cala-for samawat and ard both.

# VIII. istamarra

VB

\*wa yaqūlū siḥrun mustamirrun, And they will say, "[This is] magic that has long been in existence": 54:3.

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See Kash., 4:44, for other explanations.

See also 3 ('ThR) I (sihrun yu'tharu), and 287 (FRY) VIII.1 (sihrun muftaran).

## 357. MRY

## III. mārā

**1.** + PREP [*fi*]

mārā fīhi, to debate/argue about sth: 18:22; 42:18.

Mirā<sup>7</sup> is debate or argument. Marā n-nāqata, "to milk a she-camel"—kanna kulla wāhidin mina l-mutajādilayni yamrī mā <sup>c</sup>inda sāhibihī (Kash., 4:38). See also n. to VIII.b below.

# 2. + OBJ + PREP [ $c_a l\bar{a}$ ]

mārāhu <sup>c</sup>alā l-amri, to seek to outargue sb on sth: 53:12.

Tadmīn-meaning of ghalabah. Kash., 4:38. Zamakhsharī says (ibid.): Wa ta<sup>c</sup>diyatuhū bi <sup>c</sup>alā lā taşiḥḥu illā <sup>c</sup>alā madh'habi t-tadmīni.

See n. to III.1 above, and n. to VIII.b below.

VI. tamāra

+ PREP [bā']

tamārā bi sh-shay'i, to offer carping/derisive criticism: 53:55; 54:36.

Bā' suggests the taḍmīn of istahza'a; the taḍmīn of kafara is also possible. The same holds for VIII.a below. See n. to III.1 above, and n. to VIII.b below.

VIII. imtarā

+ PREP [a. *bā'*; b. *fī*]

a. imtarā bi sh-shay'i, to treat sth with derisive skepticism: 43:61; 44:50.

See n. to VI above, and n. to b below.

b. imtarā fihi, to have doubts about sth: 15:63; 19:34.

Imtara I-labana means "to milk an animal." The expression is then used of a debate in which a disputant raises doubts about a statement or objects to it, even when the statement admits of no doubts or objections. Tad., 2:395; 4:105. In other words, the disputant tries to "milk" the statement to the last drop.

# 358. MSH

I. masaḥa VB

vв

masaha, to deal a blow [to sth]:

\*fa țafiqa mashan bi s-sūqi wa l- $a^{c}n\bar{a}qi$ , Then he [Solomon] began to strike [the horses with the sword] on the shanks and necks: 38:33.

Masaha <sup>c</sup>unuqah $\bar{u}/c$ adudah $\bar{u}$  bi s-sayfi, "to cut off sb's neck/arm with a sword"; masaha l-qawma qatlan, "to massacre a people." Asās, 594. Also, Aq., 2:1208; Muf., 467; Kash., 3:328.

I take the following to be the complete construction: fa tafiqa yamsahu mashan wāqi<sup>c</sup>an bi s-sūqi wa l-a<sup>c</sup>nāqi. That is, mashan is a maf<sup>c</sup>ūl muţlaq, serving to reinforce (ta'kīd) an implied verb—yamsahu (Tad., 5:530), with the bā' suggesting the taqmīn of wāqi<sup>c</sup>an (cf. Mugh., 1:115). Since the bā' goes with wāqi<sup>c</sup>an rather than with yamsahu, the Qur'ānic verse has a simple VB construction.

# 359. MSS

l. massa

1. VB

massa:

\*mina I-massi: 2:275: see 78 (KhB?) V, with n., and cf. 38:41 (3, below).

2. + OBJ

massahū:

i. (of sth) to happen to/come upon/befall sb:

\*in tamsaskum hasanatun tasu'hum, If something good happens to you, it pains them: 3:120. Mīm

\*in yamsaskum qarḥun fa qad massa l-qawma qarḥun mithluhū, lf you have received a wound/injury, then the enemy has already received a similar wound/injury: 3:140.

\*wa la in massat'hum nafhatun min <sup>c</sup>adhābi rabbika, And if a draft of your Lord's punishment should reach them: 21:46.

Also, in the position of subject, the following:

(a) Cadhab: 5:73; 6:49; 8:68; 11:48; 19:45; 24:14; 36:18.

(b)  $ba's\bar{a}'$ , calamity: 2:214.

(c) darra<sup>2</sup>, hardship: 2:214; 7:95; 10:21; 11:10; 41:50.

(d) durr, harm, hurt: 10:12 [twice]; 12:88; 16:53; 17:67; 21:83; 30:33; 39:8, 49.

(e) khayr, good: 70:21.

(f) kibar, old age: 15:54.

(g) *lughūb*, fatigue: 35:35; 50:38.

(h) nar, hellfire:

\*lan tamassana n-nāru illā ayyāman ma<sup>c</sup>dūdatan, Fire is not goint to touch us [= we shall not be punished in the fire of hell] except for a certain number of [= a few] days: 2:80.

Also: 3:24; 11:113.

(j) sarrā', joy, happiness: 7:95.

(k) sharr, evil, calamity: 17:83; 41:49, 51; 70:20.

(l) sū', evil, harm: 3:174; 7:188; 39:61.

(m) \*tā'ifun mina sh-shaytāni, an assault by Satan: 7:201.

On i general: Massa—literally, "to touch"—is generally used in the sense of "to suffer from hardship, undergo suffering." Tad., 1:587 (also, Muf., 467: Wa *I*-massu yuqālu fī kulli mā yanālu *I*-insāna min adhan). Ham., 2:926/2: fa mā kāna mifrāhan idhā *I*-khayru massahū/wa lā kāna mannānan idhā huwa an<sup>c</sup>amā, "He does not become proud when he acquires riches, and, when he does a favor to someone, he does not remind him of it in a condescending manner."

**ii.** massa *l*-mar'ata, to have sexual intercourse with a woman [lit: to touch a woman]: 2:236, 237; 3:47 [n.]; 19:20 [n.]; 33:49.

Asas, 594.

3:47 and 19:20: In these verses the word *massa* may be interpreted literally, and Mary would then be saying: When no man has so much as touched me.

<sup>(</sup>i) nasab, fatigue: 15:48; 35:35.

#### See also 349 (LMS) III.

3. + OBJ + PREP

massahū bi shay'in, to cause sb to experience sth, inflict sth on sb:

\*wa in yamsaska Ilāhu bi durrin, And if God were to cause you any harm: 6:17; 10:107.

\*wa in yamsaska bi khayrin, And if He were to bestow some good on you: 6:17.

\*wa lā tamassūhā bi sū'in, And do not cause her [she-camel] any harm: 7:73; 11:64; 26:156.

\*anni massaniya sh-shayṭānu bi nuṣubin wa <sup>c</sup>adhābin, That Satan has caused me suffering and torment: 38:41.

> Zayd ibn Huşayn, Ham., 4:1678/2: a lam ta<sup>c</sup>lamī annī idhā d-dahru massanī bi nā'ibatin zallat wa lam atatartarī, "Do you not know [O woman] that, when fate visits a calamity upon me, it is the calamity itself that slips [off me] and that 1 remain unshaken?" Also, Durayd ibn aş-Şimmah, ibid., 2:820/ 15; Abū Wahb al-<sup>c</sup>Absī, ibid., 3:1071/8.

VI. tamāssa

tamāssa r-rajulu wa l-mar'atu, (of a man and a woman) to have sexual intercourse: 58:3, 4.

See also 1.2.ii above, and 349 (LMS) III.

360. MSK

IV. amsaka

**1**. VB

amsaka, to withhold [sth from sb], deny [sth to sb]: 38:39.

2. + OBJ

i. to withhold/stop sth:

amsaka r-rizga, to withhold sustenance [from sb]: 67:21.

\* $m\bar{a}$  yaftahi llahu li n-nasi min rahmatin fa la mumsika laha wa ma yumsiku fa la mursila lahu min ba<sup>C</sup>dihi, The mercy that God grants to people there is no one to withhold, and that which He withholds there is no one to release: 35:2 [obj of yumsiku und].

Also: 39:38 [act pt].

ii. to detain/confine sb/sth:

amsaka llāhu nafsa fulānin, (of God) to cause a person to die [lit: to detain/arrest a being/soul]: 39:42.

\*fa amsikūhunna fī l-buyūti, Then detain/confine them [women] in your homes: 4:15.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $c_{al\bar{a}}$ ; b.  $b\bar{a}$ ]

a. amsaka <sup>c</sup>alayhi sh-shay'a, to hold/save sth for sb:

\*fa kulū min mā amsakna <sup>c</sup>alaykum, Eat of that which they [trained hunting animals] have saved for you: 5:4.

\**amsik <sup>c</sup>alayka zawjaka,* Keep your wife [= do not divorce her]: 33:37.

Aq., 2:1211; Kash., 1:323-24.

Hat., 229/3: taqulu ala amsik <sup>c</sup>alayka fa innanılara l-mala <sup>c</sup>inda l-mumsikina mu<sup>c</sup>abbada, "She [reproachful woman] would [address me and] say, 'Listen! Keep your wealth to yourself, for I have observed that wealth, when one holds it in one's possession, is treated with great respect [by people]." (The word mu<sup>c</sup>abbad in the verse can be explained in several ways; see commentary, ibid., 229-30.)

**b.** \*wa lā tumsikū bi <sup>c</sup>iṣami l-kawāfiri, And do not cling to the disbelieving women's honor [= do not keep them as your wives any longer]: 60:10.

Kash., 4:89.

X. istamsaka

+ PREP [bā']

*istamsaka bi l-<sup>c</sup>urwati l-wuthqā*, to be on safe/sure ground [lit: to grip a firm handle]: 2:256.

Cf. 258 (<sup>C</sup>SM) VIII.

# 361. MShY

1. mashā

+ PREP [ba]

\*mashshā'in bi namīmin, A great slanderer: 68:11.

Kash., 4:127.

Mîm

Mĩm

## 362. MKN

II. makkana

**1.** + PREP [*lām*]

\*mā lam numakkin lakum: 6:6: see 2.a.ii, with n.

2. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $f\bar{i}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. makkanahū fihi:

i. to give sb possession of/control over sth:

\**mā makkannī fīhi rabbī khayrun,* What my Lord has bestowed on me is better: 18:95.

\*wa la qad makkannākum fī mā in makkannākum fīhi, We had made them masters of things We have not made you masters of: 46:26.

ii. makkannāhu fī l-ardi, to give sb great power/authority in the land:

\*makkannāhum fī l-ardi mā lam numakkin lakum, We gave them power/authority in the land, in a way that We have not established you: 6:6.

\*alladhīna in makkannāhum fī l-ardi aqāmū s-salāta wa ātū zzakāta, Those who, if We gave them power/authority in the land, would establish the prayer and pay zakāt: 22:41.

Also: 7:10.

See n. to 3.ii below. 7:10: *Kash.*, 2:54.

**b.** makkanahū lahū, to establish sth for sb:

\*wa la yumakkinanna lahum dinahumu lladhi rtada lahum, And [He has promised that] He would firmly establish for them the religion He has chosen for them: 24:55.

\*a wa lam numakkin lahum haraman āminan, Have We not provided them a secure sanctuary? 28:57.

3. + PREP [*lām*] + PREP [*fī*] makkana lahū fī *l*-ardi:

i. to pave the way for sb in a land:

\*wa kadhālika makkannā li yūsufa fī l-ardi, This is how We gained Joseph a footing in the land [of Egypt]: 12:21.

ii. to give sb great power/authority in the land

Mîm

\*wa kadhālika makkannā li yūsufa fī l-ardi, This is how We gave Joseph power and authority in the land: 12:56.

\*wa numakkina lahūm fī l-ardi, And We intended to give them power/authority in the land: 28:6.

Also: 18:84.

Zamakhsharī (Kash., 2:4) distinguishes between makkana lahū fī l-ardi (= ja<sup>c</sup>ala lahū makānan fīhā) and (2.a.ii) makkanahū fī l-ardi (= athbatahū fīhā).

IV. amkana

+ PREP [min]

amkana minhu, to give sb power/control over sb/sth:

\*fa amkana minhum, And He gave [you] power over them: 8:71 [obj und].

Aq:, 2:1232-33. Also, Asas, 601.

# 363. MLK

I. malaka

1. + OBJ

malakahū:

i. mā malakat yamīnuhū/yamīnuhā, the slave(s) he/she possesses [lit: what his/her right hand possesses]: 4:3 [n.], 24 [n.], 25 [n.], 36; 16:71; 23:6 [n.]; 24:31, 33, 58; 30:28; 33:50 [twice; n.], 52 [n.], 55; 70:30 [n.]. [Obj und in all.]

In 4:3, 24, 25; 23:6; 33:50, 52; and 70:30, *mā* malakat yamīnuhū means specifically "female slave(s)."

In Classical Arabic, mā malakat yaduhū often means "possessions" as such; in the Qur'ān the phrase acquires the specific meaning of "slaves." Durayd ibn aṣ-Ṣimmah, Ham., 2:821/17: wa tayyaba nafsī annanī lam aqul lahū/kadhabta wa lam abkhal bi mā malakat yadī, "I was comforted [by the thought] that I had never said to him, You lie," or withheld my possessions [from him]." Also, Lab., 324/9; Tar., 32/55.

ii. \*aw mā malaktum mafātiḥahū, Or those [houses] you possess the keys of [= houses under your management/custodianship]: 24:61.

Following Islahi (Tad., 4:565). Cf. Kash., 3:85.

2. + OB] + PREP [min]

malaka minhu l-amra, to have the power to do sth to/before sb:

*\*lā yamlikūna minhu khitāban,* They shall not be able to/shall not have the power to speak to Him: 78:37.

3. + OBJ + PREP [lam] + PREP [min]

malaka lahū min fulānin shay'an, to be able to help/protect sb against sb: 5:17, 41; 46:8; 48:11; 60:4.

Tadmin of mana<sup>c</sup>a. Tad., 6:453 (on 46:8).

The word shay', which occurs in all these verses, is here taken as an object, but it may also be taken to occupy the position of a masdar.

364. MLL See 365 (MLW)

#### 365. MLW

IV. amlā

1. + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

*amlā lahū*, to give rope to sb: 3:178 [twice; n.]; 7:183; 13:32; 22:44, 48; 47:25 [n.]; 68:45.

Amlā l-ba<sup>c</sup>īra/li l-ba<sup>c</sup>īri, "to extend the tether of a camel." Aq., 2:1242. Asās, 605.

3:178: The first mā (in anna mā numlī lahum) is maşdariyyah, but the second (in innamā numlī lahum) is kāffah. Kash., 1:232.

47:25: According to Islāhī (*Tad.*, 6:420), the verb *amlā* has been used in the Qurān with God as its subject, and 47:25 is no exception, for it would not be appropriate to regard Satan as the subject (cf. Kash., 3:458.)

2. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

amlāhu <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to write sth down and read it out to sb:

\*wa qālū asātīru l-awwalīna iktatabahā fa hiya tumlā <sup>c</sup>alayhi bukratan wa asīlan, And they say, "[These are] mere legends about earlier peoples which he has had written, and which are therefore [first] written down and [then] imparted to him day and night!" 25:5.

Işlāhī writes: "The use of Calā after tumlā suggests that the verb includes the tadmīn-meaning of tulqā Calayhi or tuqra'u

<sup>c</sup>alayhi. The expression thus means either that they [stories] of earlier peoples] are dictated to him, or that they are first written down and then imparted to him. Here it has the latter meaning, for the Quraysh knew that the Prophet was unlettered and did not know how to write." Tad., 4:578.

The original root of  $aml\overline{a}$  in 25:5 is MLL, the last radical,  $l\overline{a}m$ , having been replaced by  $w\overline{a}w$  (= MLW).

#### 366. MNY

V. tamannā

+ OBJ

tamannā makānahū, to wish to be in sb's position/have the status enjoyed by sb else:

\*alladhīna tamannaw makānahū bi l-amsi, Those who formerly [lit: yesterday] desired to be in his place: 28:82.

#### 367. MHD

I. mahada

+ PREP [lām]

mahada li nafsihi, to work/strive for one's own good:

\*wa man <sup>c</sup>amila ṣāliḥan fa li anfusihim yamhadūna, And those who do good deeds do so for their own good: 30:44.

Aq., 2:1246; Kash., 3:206.

II. mahhada

+ PREP [lām]

mahhada lahū, to smooth sb's path:

\*wa mahhadtu lahū tamhīdan, And I made his path so very smooth: 74:14.

#### 368. MWT

I. māta

VB

māta:

i. (of the earth) to become arid/barren: 2:164; 7:57 [act pt]; 16:65; 25:49 [act pt]; 29:63; 30:19, 24, 50; 35:9 [twice, once act pt]; 36:33

#### Mim

[act pt]; 43:11 [act pt]; 45:5; 50:11 [act pt]; 57:17. [All masdars except where noted otherwise.]

ii. (of a town, etc.) to be destroyed: 2:259 [mas].

#### 369. MYZ

- V. tamayyaza
  - + PREP [min]

tamayyaza mina l-ghayzi, to burst/explode with rage: 67:8.

Aq., 2:1255.

370. MYL

I. māla

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

māla <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to fall upon/attack sb: 4:102.

Māla <sup>c</sup>alayya, "He wronged me." Asās, 610. Māla <sup>c</sup>alayhimu d-dahru, "(of time/fate) "to visit calamities upon a people." Aq., 2:1256.

# NŪN

371. N'Y

l. na′ã

na'ā bi jānibihī, to turn aside/move away [in indifference/pride]: 17:83; 41:51.

Kash., 2:373; 3:395; Aq., 3:393.

Subay<sup>C</sup> ibn al-Khatīm at-Taymī, Mufadd., 726/1: bānat sadūfu fa qalbuhū makhtūfū/wa na'at bi jānibihā <sup>C</sup>alayka sadūfū, "Sadūf has departed, and so his [= poet's] heart is being snatched away: Sadūf turned around and went away from you." (Incidentally, Sadūf is not necessarily the actual name of the poet's beloved; it is proper name for women in general—(<sup>C</sup>alam li n-nisā' [Aq., 1:639]; cf. Nawār, in n. to 313 (QT<sup>C</sup>) V.1.ii, and in a verse by Shamm. [quoted at 322 (KTB) 1.2.a.ii]—indicating the indifference with which they treat their lovers [sadafa, "to turn away/avoid/shun"]. As such, Subay<sup>C</sup> plays upon words: sadūf and na'at bi jānibihā.) In <sup>C</sup>Ant., 207/ [4], the phrase is used in a literal sense.

Cf. na'ā wa shtadda jānibuhū, in Sahm ibn Hanzalah, Aşm., 55/14. See also 44 (ThNY) I, and 417 (WLY) V.2.

#### 372. NBT

IV. anbata

+ OBJ

anbatahū, to bring sb up:

\*wa anbatahā nabātan hasanan, And He gave her a good upbringing: 3:37.

Nabbata ș-șabiyya, "to bring up a child." Asās, 612-13. Also, Aq., 2:1259-60; Kash., 1:187. See also 380 (NSh) II and IV.

#### 373. NBDh

I. nabadha <sup>.</sup>

1. + OBJ nabadhahū:

i. to reject/repudiate/spurn sth:

nabadha I-<sup>c</sup>ahdā/I-mīthāqa, to break a pledge/pact/covenant: 2:100.

An-nabdh: ar-ramyu bi dh-dhimāmi wa rafḍuhū. Kash., 1:85. Also, ibid., 1:235.

ii. In 20:96, nabadhahū means "to cast sth," referring to the performance of a trick by a magician.

See also 347 (LQY) IV.1.i and 2.i.

**2.** + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

nabadha ilayhi, to throw/hurl sth at sb:

\*fa nbidh ilayhim, Throw it [pact] back at them [= break your pact with them]! 8:58.

Ramā ilā I-<sup>c</sup>aduwwi, "to break one's pact with the enemy." Asās, 613; Aq., 2:1261. Also, Kash., 2:132; Maj., 1:249. See also n. to 1.i above.

3. + OBJ + PREP [wara']

nabadha sh-shay'a warā'a zahrihī, to throw/fling sth behind one's back [= completely disregard/repudiate/reject sth]:

\*nabadha farīqun mina lladhīna  $\overline{u}t\overline{u}$  l-kitāb kitāba llāhi warā'a zuhūrihim, A certain group of people from among those who had been been given the Book tossed the Book of God behind their backs: 2:101 [n.].

Also: 3:187.

Nūn

Nabadha amrī warā'a zahrihī, "He disregarded my command/suggestion/advice." Asās, 613. Also, Kash., 1:235; Maj., 1:111.

#### 374. NBZ

VI. tanābaza

*tanābazū bi l-alqābi*, (of people) to give insulting/derogatory nicknames to one another: 49:11.

#### 375. NDW

VI. tanādā

tanādaw, (of people) to call upon one another for help:

*\*innī akhāfu <sup>c</sup>alaykum yawma t-tanādi,* I am afraid that a day is going to come upon you when you will call out to one another for help: 40:32.

Cf. 161 (S'L) VI.

376. NZC

I. naza<sup>C</sup>a

+ OBJ + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>an; b. min]

a. naza<sup>c</sup>ahū <sup>c</sup>anhu, to take sth away from sb, deprive sb of sth:
 \*yanzi<sup>c</sup>u <sup>c</sup>anhumā libāsahumā, Stripping them [Adam and Eve]

as he [Satan] did of their dress: 7:27.

See n. to b below.

**b.** naza<sup>C</sup>ahū minhu, to take sth away from sb, deprive sb of sth:

\*wa tanzi<sup>c</sup>u l-mulka min man tashā'u, And You take away power/authority from whomever You like: 3:26.

\*thumma naza<sup>c</sup>nāhā minhu, And if later on We were to withdraw it [mercy] from him: 11:9.

Naza<sup>c</sup>a *l*-amīru *l*-<sup>c</sup>āmila <sup>c</sup>an <sup>c</sup>amalihī, "(of a ruler) to depose a governor/an administrator." Aq., 2:1290. Lab., 109/9: wa naza<sup>c</sup>na min dāwūda ahsana sun<sup>c</sup>ihī, "And they [vicissitudes of time/fate] took away from David the best of what he used to manufacture [= coats-of-mail]." Zuh., 282/[8]: *l*ā yanzi<sup>c</sup>u llāhu mā lahū husidū, "God will not deprive them of that on account of which people are envious of them."

b differs from a in that the former gives the basic meaning—"to take sth away"—whereas a carries the connotation that this is done suddenly, forcibly, or violently.

- VI. tanāza<sup>c</sup>a
- **1.** + OBJ

tanāza<sup>c</sup>ūhu, (of people) to exchange sth between themselves:

\*yatanāza<sup>c</sup>ūna fīhā ka'san, In it [paradise] they will be offering and receiving cups of wine: 52:23.

Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 43/[1].

2. + OBJ + PREP [bayna]

tanāza<sup>c</sup>ū l-amra baynahum, (of people):

i. to argue/debate a subject among themselves:

*\*idh yatanāza<sup>c</sup>ūna baynahum amrahum,* When they were arguing the matter [concerning the Sleepers of the Cave] with one another: 18:21.

ii. to exchange thoughts on an issue:

\*fa tanāza<sup>C</sup> $\overline{u}$  amrahum baynahum, Then they [Pharaoh and his courtiers] discussed the matter among themselves: 20:62.

Tanāza<sup>c</sup>a in 20:62 means "to compare notes," and not necessarily "to dispute" (cf. i, above). The non-disputatious sense of tanāza<sup>c</sup> (and of nāza<sup>c</sup>a) is attested in the following: Ibn Muq., 261/28: yatanāza<sup>c</sup>ūna jawā'iba *I*-amthālī, "They were quoting one another/exchanging familiar/well-known sayings"; Hādirah, Mufadd., 53:5: wa idhā tunāzi<sup>c</sup>uka *I*-hadītha ra'aytahā/ḥasanan tabassumuhā ladhīdha *I*-makra<sup>c</sup>ī, "When she converses with you, you find her beautiful of smile, delicious of kissing [= delicious of lips]." See also Imru' al-Qays (32/24), and A<sup>c</sup>shā (189/14).

### 377. NZGh

I. nazagha<sup>,</sup>

1. + PREP [bayna]

nazagha bayna l-qawmi, to cause dissension/a rift among people:

\*min ba<sup>c</sup>di an nazagha sh-shaytānu baynī wa bayna ikhwatī, After Satan had caused dissension between me and my brothers: 12:100.

Also: 17:53.

Nazagha bayna n-nāsi, "to sow dissension among people by urging them to commit wrongs against one another." Asās, 628; also, Aq., 2:1290; Kash., 2:364.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [min]

nazaghahū mina sh-shaytāni nazghun, to be affected by the urgings/insinuations of Satan: 7:200; 41:36.

On nazgh in the verses, see Kash., 2:111; 3:392.

#### 378. NZF

I. nazafa

+ OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

nuzifa r-rajulu <sup>C</sup>ani l-khamri, (of a man) to lose consciousness from drinking wine: 37:47.

Nuzifa sh-shāribu, "(of a wine-drinker) to lose consciousness." Kash., 3:300. The image is that of the "draining" of consciousness (cf. Muf., 488). Nazafa l-bi'ra, "to drain the well." Aq., 2:1291.

- IV. anzafa
  - + PREP [Can]

anzafa r-rajulu <sup>c</sup>ani l-khamri, (of a man) to lose consciousness from drinking wine: 56:19 [prep phr und].

Anzafa r-rajulu, "to become intoxicated." Aq., 2:1291. See also n. to l above.

#### 379. NZL

- I. nazala
  - + PREP [ba']

nazala bihi, (of trouble, etc.) to descend upon sb/at a place:

Nūn

\*fa idhā nazala bi sāḥatihim, When it [punishment] lands in their yard: 37:177.

Sāḥah is an "open space" between the houses of a tribal community (faḍā'un bayna dūri l-ḥayyi lā binā'a fihi wa lā saqfa [Aq., 1:554]).

Nazala bihī makrūhun, "A calamity descended upon him." Asās, 628. Nāb., 86/4: wa man yatarabbaşi l-ḥadathāna yanzil/ bi sāḥatihī <sup>C</sup>awānun ghayru bikrī, "And he who hopes for a calamity [to befall others]—there will land in his own yard a great calamity, not an ordinary one." (Cf. Aṣma<sup>C</sup>ī's explanation of the verse [ibid., n. 4]: Man ādhāhu banū <sup>C</sup>ammihī fa tarabbaṣa bihim fa yūshiku an tanzila bihim dāhiyatun.) Laylā bint Tarīf, D. al-Khaw., 185/20: arā l-mawta nazzālan bi kulli sharīfī, "I see that death descends on every noble man." Also. Tar., 118/1; Ka<sup>C</sup>b, 30/[3], 259/[4].

See also 414 (WQ<sup>C</sup>) 2.b.

II. nazzala

**1.** + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}']$ 

nazzala llāhu bihī sultānan, (of God) to send down sanction for sth: 3:151; 7:33, 71; 22:71.

See also 2 and IV.2 below.

#### 2. + OB) + PREP $[^{c}al\bar{a}]$ + PREP $[b\bar{a}']$

\**mā lam yunazzil bihī <sup>c</sup>alaykum sulṭānan,* Concerning which He has sent down no sanction upon you: 6:81.

See also 1 above, and IV.2 below.

IV. anzala

1. VB

anzala, to serve as host: 12:59 [act pt]; 23:29 [act pt; n.].

See n. to 2 below.

#### 2. + OB

anzalahū, to cause sb to get off [a ship, etc.]: 23:29 [twice, once act pt].

The word *munzilin* in this verse is the active participle of anzala either in the sense of "to cause sb to get off some-

thing" (in this case the Ark of Noah) or in the sense of "to serve as host to someone" (1, above; anzala  $\dot{q}$ -dayfa = aḥal-lahū wa aqāma nuzulahū [Aq., 2:1291]). In the verse, the two senses are subtly connected: Noah not only prays that he and those with him be taken off the ship safely, he also prays that God serve as "host" to them, i.e. provide for them after they have disembarked.

Qays ibn al-Asamm ad-Dabbi, D. al-Khaw., 177/4.

2. + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

anzala llāhu bihī sultānan, to send down sanction in support of sth: 12:40.

See also II above.

380. NSh'

II. nashsha'a

+ OBJ

nashsha'ahū, to bring sb up:

\*a wa man yunashsha'u fi l-hilyati, What, is it the one [= girl] who is raised in jewelry? 43:18.

Asās, 631; Aq., 2:1298. See also IV below, and 372 (NBT) IV.1.

IV. ansha'a

+ OBJ

ansha'ahū, to bring sb up:

\*innā ansha'nāhunna inshā'an, We have given them [women] a special upbringing: 56:35.

Tad., 7:168. Cf. Kash., 4:58. See also II above, and 372 (NBT) IV.1.

#### 381. NShZ

I. nashaza

VB

i. nashazati 1-mar'atu, (of a woman) to defy [her husband]: 4:34 [mas]

#### See n. to ii below.

# ii. nashaza r-rajulu, (of a man), to oppress [his wife]: 4:128 [mas].

Nashaza l-labanu, "(of milk) to rise"; <sup>C</sup>irqun nāshizun, "a swollen vein that throbs constantly"; dābbah nashizah, "a riding beast on which the saddle and the rider cannot stay in position"; nashazati l-mar'atu <sup>C</sup>alā zawjihā, "(of a woman) to defy/disobey her husband"; nashaza z-zawju <sup>C</sup>alā l-mar'ati, "(of a husband) "to oppress his wife." Asās, 633; also, Aq., 2:1301; Kash., 1:266, 302.

#### 382. NTQ

I. națaga

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

nataqa <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to speak/testify against sb: 45:29

See also 203 (ShHD) 1.2.iii.

383. NZR

I. nazara

1. + OBJ

nazarahū:

i. to wait for sth:

\*ghayra nāzirīna ināhu, [Do] not [sit around] waiting for the meal to be ready: 33:53.

*Also:* 2:210; 6:158; 7:53; 16:33; 35:43; 36:49; 38:15; 43:66; 47:18.

Nazara sh-shay'a, "to wait for sth." Aq., 2:1315. Imr., 41/2: fa innakumā in tanzurāniya sā<sup>c</sup>atan/mina d-dahri yanfa<sup>c</sup>nī laday ummi jundabī, "For if you wait for me a while, it would do me good to be in the company of Umm Jundab." See also n. to ii(b) below.

ii. to pay attention to sb, make an allowance for sb:
 (a) \*unzurnā, We beg your pardon! 2:104; 4:46.

Tad., 1:250.  $R\bar{a}^{C}in\bar{a}$  is properly used by a person when he either has not understood what the speaker has said or wishes the speaker to repeat the statement because it con-

tains wisdom or has some merit. Ibid., 2:82. Unzurni, "Pay attention/listen to me." Aq., 2:1316. See also 138 (R<sup>C</sup>Y) III, and 183 (SM<sup>C</sup>) I.2.i.

(b) \*unzurūnā naqtabis min nūrikum, Please allow us to partake/be so good as to let us partake of your light! 57:13.

In this verse (cf. (a) above) *unzurūnā* may mean simply: Wait for us! See Kash., 4:65-66.

2. + PREP [a.  $il\bar{a}$ ; b.  $f\bar{i}$ ; c. min]

a. nazara ilayhi, to look to sb [for sth]:

*\*ilā rabbihā nāziratun,* They [faces] will be looking to their Lord [= will be expecting mercy]: 75:23.

Islāhī writes: "When used with *ilā* as its *silah*, *nazara*, just as it carries the meaning, 'to look at something,' also comes to mean 'to expect someone to be kind/merciful to one.' Scholars of the language explain this as follows: if a person says to another, from whom he expects to receive a favor, *innamā nanzuru ilā llāhi thumma ilayka* [Aq., 2:1316], the meaning will be: We look to God for His bounty, and, after that, to you for your kindness." *Tad.*, 8:90. (See also *Kash.*, 4:165.) In the following verse by Nābighah (35/19), *nazara ilayhi* especially the first use of it—seems to give the meaning Islāhī assigns to 75:23: *nazarat ilayka bi hājatin lam taqdihā/*. *nazara I-marīdi ilā wujūhi I-cuwwadī*, "She looked at you [expectantly], with a desire yet unfulfilled [= wanted to speak to you but could not]—as a patient looks at his visitors."

**b.** nazara fihi, to reflect on sth, ponder over sth: 7:185.

Aq., 2:1315-16.

c. nazara min tarfin khafiyyin, to look [at sth] furtively/secretly, steal a glance [at sth]: 42:45.

384. NGhD

IV. anghada

+ OBJ + PREP  $[il\bar{a}]$ 

anghada ra'sahū ilayhi, to shake one's head at sb [in surprise/ ridicule]:

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Nūn

\*fa sa yunghidūna ilayka ru'ūsahum wa yaqūlūna matā huwa, Then they will shake their heads at you, and will say, "When is it [the . Resurrection] [going to be]?" 17:51.

> Aq., 2:1323; Maj., 1:382; Kash., 2:363. See also 351 (LWY) II.

#### 385. NFTh

. I. nafatha

+ PREP [f]

nafatha fi l-<sup>c</sup>uqdati, (of a magician/sorcerer) to blow on knots [in order to cast a spell]:

\*wa n-naffathāti fī l-<sup>c</sup>uqadi, And [I seek God's protection against] those who blow on knots: 113:4.

Imra'ah naffāthah, "sorceress"; rajul manfūth, "one who has been put under a spell." Asās, 645; also, Aq., 2:1325. A person from the <sup>C</sup>Abd al-Qays, Mufadd., 122/8: fa in yabra' fa lam anfith <sup>C</sup>alayhi/wa in yahlik fa dhālika kāna qadrī, "If he should recover [from the injury I inflincted on him with my spear], then it is not because I blew on him [= put a spell on him, wishing him to become well]; and if he should die, then that is something I did intend [for him]." (See also n. to 69 (HQQ) 1.2, where, with some variations in the second hemistich, the verse is cited from <sup>C</sup>Antarah. Note, further, that making "spear"—or "arrow" in the verse by <sup>C</sup>Antarah [see ibid.])—the antecedent of the pronoun in <sup>C</sup>alayhi in the verse would alter the meaning somewhat.)

"The word naffāthāt," Islāhī writes, "is feminine, but it is not necessary to translate it 'women.' In accordance with Arabic usage, one may take it to mean arwāh/nufūs khabīthah ('evil spirits/persons'), irrespective of whether these spirits are male or female, and irrespective of whether the persons referred to are Jews, Magi, or the sorcerers and soothsayers of Arabia." Tad., 8:662-63. See also Kash., 4:244.

#### 386. NFS

V. tanaffasa

VB

tanaffasa s-subhu, (of morning) to appear: 81:18.

Tanaffasa means literally "to breathe." The use of the word implies that dawn is, as if it were, being crushed under the weight of night and unable to breathe, until God removes the pall of night from it, allowing it to breathe. Tad., 8:227.

#### 387. NQB

#### II. naggaba

+ PREP [fi]

naqqaba fi l-biladi, to run from place to place in search of refuge: 50:36.

According to Işlāhī (Tad., 6:564), naqqaba fī I-bilāda means "to run from one place to another seeking refuge," and not, as is generally believed, "to achieve one military victory after another" (cf. Kash., 4:24: Fa kharaqū fī I-bilādi wa dawwakhū; incidentally, the verse Zamakhsharī cites [ibid.] would seem to support Işlāhī's interpretation rather than his own). In support of his view, Işlāhī cites Aqrab al-Mawārid, where [2:1332] naqqaba fī I-ardi is explained as: sāra fīhā talaban li Imahrabi. Cf. Ţirimmāh, Krenk., 147/2.

388. NQS

I. nagasa

**1.** + OBJ

i. \*wa lā tanquṣu l-mikyāla wa l-mīzāna, And do not give short measure or weight: 11:84.

See 84 (KhSR) IV, and 412 (WFY) IV.1.i and 2.

ii. to fail sb:

*\*thumma lam yanqusūkum shay'an,* And then they do not fail you in any way [= do not violate their pact with you]: 9:4.

Shay'an in the verse is in masdar position (see <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 2:11; also, Kash., 2:139), though it is possible to take it as the second object (see Aq., 2:1336).

**iii.** \*a wa lam yaraw annā na'tī l-arḍa nanquṣuhā min aṭrāfihā, Have they not noticed that We are approaching the land [= Makkah], reducing it at the borders? 13:41.

## Also: 21:44.

#### See Mir, 90.

**2.** + PREP [min]

nagașa minhu, to diminish sth:

\*qad <sup>c</sup>alimnā mā tanquşu l-ardu minhum, We know very well what the earth eats away of them [= of their bodies in graves]: 50:4.

3. + OBJ + OBJ

nagasahū sh-shay'a: 9:4: see 1.ii above, with n.

389. NQD

IV. angada

anqada zahrah $\overline{u}$ , (of a burden/responsibility) to break one's back, be crushing: 94:3.

#### 390. NKS

I. nakasa

1. + OBJ

nakasa ra'sahū, to hang one's head low [in shame/humiliation]: 32:12 [act pt].

Aq., 2:1344.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [a.  $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ; b.  $f\bar{i}$ ]

*nakasahū* <sup>C</sup>*alā ra'sihī*, to throw sb off his bearings [lit: to stand sb/sth on his/its head]:

\*thumma nukisū <sup>c</sup>alā ru'ūsihim, Then they were thrown off their bearings [= their judgment became warped, their minds/reason became vitiated]: 21:65.

Nakasahū, "to invert sth"; nukisa I-marīdu, "(of a patient) to have a relapse." Aq., 2:1344. Also, Asās, 654.

II. nakkasa

+ OBJ + PREP

nakkasahū llāhu fī l-khalqi, (of God) to cause sb's [physical and mental] constitution to deteriorate/degenerate: 36:68.

Kash., 3:291-92. See also 281 (GhYR) II.

## 391. NKS

 n a k a ş a nakaşa <sup>c</sup>alā <sup>c</sup>aqibayhi: to retrace one's step, turn/go back on one's heels: 8:48; 23:66.

In 8:48 the retracing of steps implies turning tail; in 23:66, drawing away out of indifference. *Maj.*, 1:247. Cf. 316 (*QLB*) VII.2.i.

#### 392. NYL

+ PREP [min]

nala minhu, to inflict harm on sb: 9:120.

Zamakhshari writes: Wa yuqālu, nāla minhu, idhā raza'ahū wa naqasahū, wa huwa <sup>c</sup>āmmun fi kulli mā yasū'uhum wa yankubuhum wa yulhiqu bihim dararan. Kash., 2:177. Nāla min <sup>c</sup>irdi fulānin, "revile/vilify sb." Aq., 2:1364. Nayl in the verse is here construed as a maşdar, though it may also be taken as an object (nayl = manīl). Kash., 2:177.

HA'

393. HDY

I. hadā

1. + PREP [*lam*]

hadā lahū kadhā, (of sth) to serve as a lesson to sb:

\*a fa lam yahdi lahum kam ahlaknā qablahum mina l-qurūni, Does it not constitute a lesson for them, how many nations We have destroyed before them? 20:128.

Also: 7:100; 32:26.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

hadāhu <sup>c</sup>ani d-dalālati, to deliver/rescue sb from error [lit: to guide sb away from error]: 27:81 [act pt]; 30:53 [act pt].

Tadmin of some word like sarafa. See Tad., 4:765.

#### 394. HZZ

#### VIII. ihtazza

ihtazzati l-ardu, (of the earth) to grow vegetation: 22:5; 41:39.

Ihtazzati I-ardu: anbatat. Aq., 2:1388. Ihtazza means literally "to quiver, shake" (e.g. ihtazzati I-ibilu, "[of camels] to swing/sway in their movement at the cameleer's chant" [ibid.]). The image in the verse is that of lush vegetation "quivering" in the fields as the wind blows. Zamakhshari (Kash., 3:26) explains ihtazzati I-ardu in the verse as: taharrakat bi n-nabāti.

#### 395. HLK

I. halaka

+ PREP [Can]

halaka <sup>C</sup>anhu sh-shay'u, to lose sth, be deprived of sth: \*halaka <sup>C</sup>annī sultāniyah, 1 have lost my power: 69:29.

Tadmin of dhahaba or ba<sup>c</sup>uda. Tad., 7:549.

IV. ahlaka

+ OBJ

i. In most verses, *ahlaka*, used with God as subject and a person/ people/place as object, means "to destroy, wipe out," which is more comprehensive than "to kill," but includes the latter. In others (e.g. 7:155 and 67:28), the simple meaning, "to kill," may be intended, though with a hint of "destruction/annihilation." Verses carrying either of the two meanings are not listed. Note, however, the following verse:

\*wa yuhlika l-hartha wa n-nasla, And in order that he might destroy crop and stock: 2:205.

ii. \*yaqūlu ahlaktu mālan lubadan, He says, "I have spent/given away so much wealth": 90:6.

Ahlaka I-mala means literally "to waste/destroy wealth." The phrase often connotes that a person spends or gives away his wealth freely, as if he were "throwing it away." Al-Hārith ibn Hillizah (Mufaḍḍ., 267/13): lā yartajī li I-māli yuhlikuhū/sa<sup>c</sup>du n-nujūmi ilayhi ka n-nahsī, "He does not fear [that he will become poor] on account of the wealth he gives away, the auspicious star to him being like the ominous star [= to him any time is the right time to give away wealth]." Ham., 4:1740/2: taqulu ala ahlakta malaka dallatan/wa hal dallatun an yunfiqa l-māla kāsibuh, "She said, 'Look, you have given away [so much] wealth, being in error.' But is it [really] an error that wealth be spent by one who has earned it?" (Cf. Lab., 246/58.) See also Zuh., 141/[3]; Durayd ibn as-Simmah, Asm., 107/3. The use in the Qur'an has more complex connotations. The speaker in 90:6 is an affluent but niggardly person, and he makes the remark upon being asked to spend for the sake of the poor and the needy (see Tad., 8:373). Ahlaka thus suggests, first, that it is in all probability a small amount of wealth he spends, but that he thinks it is a large amount; and, second, that, deep down in his heart, he

thinks that the wealth he has given away he might have given away in vain. Further, the use of the word *ahlaka* is ironical: from the viewpoint of the Day of Judgment, the wealth he has spent is in fact wasted.

Cť. afnā mālahū, as in al-Muthallam ibn Riyāḥ, Ḥam., 4:1655/2.

IV. ahalla

+ OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$  + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

\* $m\bar{a}$  uhilla bihi li ghayri llahi, [The animal] on which [at the time of slaughtering it] the name of someone other than God is taken: 2:173.

Also: 5:3; 6:145; 16:115.

Ahalla bi dhikri Ilāhi, "to pronounce/proclaim the name of God"; ahalla I-muḥrimu bi I-ḥajji wa I-cumrati, "(of a ḥajj/ cumrah pilgrim) to proclaim talbiyah [= labbayka allāhumma labbayka, 'Here I am, O God, here I am'!]." Asās, 705; also, Aq., 2:1399. Ahalla I-qawmu I-hilāla "(of people) to raise their voices upon sighting the new moon"; ahalla s-ṣabiyyu, "(of a child) to cry loudly." Ibid.

#### 397. HMM

IV. ahamma

ahammat'hu nafsuh $\overline{u}$ , to be concerned/worried about oneself: 3:154.

The verse makes a criticism: the people in question were filled with worry about themselves, not about the religion, the Prophet, or the other believers (*Kash.*, 1:224).

#### 398. HWY

I. hawā

+ PREP [ila]

hawā ilayhi, to move/draw toward sb: 14:37.

Hawā (imperfect: yahwī) implies swift movement: hawati lcuqābu, "(of an eagle) to pounce upon its prey"; hawati r-

<sup>396.</sup> HLL

 $r\bar{n}\mu$ , "(of wind) to blow." Aq., 2:1412. Although tahwi, which is used in the verse, is different in form and meaning from tahwa (3rd pers. sing. perfect: hawiya, "to love/desire"), the use of af'idah ("hearts") as the subject of the verb in the verse seems to lend to tahwi connotations of tahwa (cf. Kash., 2:305: Tahwi ilayhim: tusri<sup>C</sup>u ilayhim wa tatiru nahwahum shawqan wa nizā<sup>C</sup>an), suggesting wordplay on hawa/ yahwi and hawiya/yahwā. Physical movement ("to draw toward sth": tahwi) thus "blends" with non-physical movement ("to be/feel drawn toward sth": tahwā).

#### 399. HYM

I. hāma

+ PREP [f]

hāma fī kulli wādin, to wander around in every valley [= wander in one's talk, ramble]:

\*a lam tara annahum fi kulli wādin yahīmūna, Don't you see that they [poets] wander around in every valley [= move/flit from one subject to another aimlessly]? 26:225.

Hāmati n-nāqatu is said of a she-camel that wanders around by herself in search of pasture. Aq., 2:1416. Also, Asās, 709; Kash., 3:131.

#### 400. HYMN

I. haymana

+ PREP [<sup>c</sup>alā]

haymana <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to watch over sth: 🗇

\*wa muhayminan <sup>C</sup>alayhi, And [a Book] that keeps watch over it [= earlier scriptures] 5:48.

According to Işlāhī, the verse means that the Qur'ān is the touchstone by which all other scriptures are to be judged. He cites the expression, haymana t-tā'iru <sup>C</sup>alā firākhihī, which is used of a bird that is protectively hovering over its young ones, and concludes from this that the Qur'ān is a "custodian" of the other scriptures. Tad., 2:305. Also, Aq., 2:1416. Kash., 1:342; 4:85: Al-muhaymin: ar-raqību <sup>C</sup>alā kulli shay'in al-hāfizu lahū.

# WÁW

401. WJB

I. wajaba

VB

\*fa idhā wajabat junūbuhā, When they [sacrificial animals] lie [motionless] on their sides [= are dead]: 22:36.

Literally: When their [camels'] sides/flanks stick to the ground. Wajaba means literally "to stick/adhere." Wajaba *l-hā'itu* is said of a wall that has collapsed to the ground and is "hugging" the ground; wajabati sh-shamsu, "(of the sun) to set"; darabahū fa wajaba, "He hit him, and the latter dropped dead." Aq., 2:1426. Also, Kash., 3:34-35.

#### 402. WJD

I. wajada

1. VB

\*askinūhunna min haythu sakantum min wujdikum, Provide them with lodging of the same standard as yours, of the kind you can afford: 65:6.

2. + OBJ

wajadahū:

i. to have/possess sth:

\*wa lladhīna lā yajidūna illā juhdahum, Those who possess nothing save [what they have earned by] their own effort: 9:79.

Also: 9:91, 92 [twice].

\*alladhīna lā yajidūna nikāḥan, Those who are unable [= do not possess the means] to get married: 24:33.

Also: 2:196; 4:92; 58:12. [Obj und in all.]

iii. to sense/feel/experience sth:

\*inni la ajidu riha yūsufa, 1 am getting Joseph's scent: 12:94.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $cal\bar{a}$ ; b.  $f\bar{l}$ ]

a. wajadahū <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to know sb to be/find sb doing/practicing sth:
 \*hasbunā mā wajadnā <sup>c</sup>alayhi ābā'anā, All we need is what we

have known our ancestors to be practicing: 5:104.

Also: 7:28; 10:78; 31:21; 43:22, 23, 24.

Yaḥyā ibn Manṣūr, Ham., 1:326/1: wajadnā abānā kāna halla bi baldatin/siwan bayna qaysin qaysi <sup>C</sup>aylāna wa l-fizrī, "We found our father/ancestor settled in a land that was in the middle of [the dwellings of] the Qays—Qays ibn <sup>C</sup>Aylān—and the Fizr." Also, Jawwās ad-Dabbī, ibid., 3:1453/2. See also 346 (*LFW*) IV.

**b.** wajada fihi kadhā:

(i) to experience sth at sb's hands:

\*wa l-yajidū fikum ghilzatan, And let them find roughness in your attitude: 9:123.

(ii) wajada fi nafsihi kadhā: 4:65; 59:9: see 4 below.

4. + OBJ + PREP [fi] + PREP [min]

Wajada fi nafsihi minhu kadha means "to feel so and so on account of sth," and the following two expressions are close in meaning:

i. wajada fi nafsihi harajan minhu, to have mental reservations about sth:

\*thumma lā yajidū fī anfusihim harajan min mā qadayta, And then [they] should not have any reservations in their minds about the verdict you have given: 4:65.

ii. wajada fi nafsihi hajatan minhu, to feel uneasy about sth/feel resentment for sth:

\*wa lā yajidūna fī anfusihim hājatan min mā ūtū, And they [Madīnan Muslims] feel no resentment in their hearts concerning that which they [Makkan immigrants] have been given: 59:9.

#### 403. WJF

IV. awjafa

+ OBJ + PREP [cala]

\*fa mā awjaftum <sup>c</sup>alayhi min khaylin wa lā rikābin, You did not run over it any horses or camels [= you did not obtain it by force of arms/as a result of military action]: 59:6.

Kash., 4:80: Fa mā awjaftum <sup>c</sup>alayhi: fa mā awjaftum <sup>c</sup>alā tahṣīlihī.

404. WJH

II. wajjaha

+ OBJ + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

wajjaha wajhahū ilā llāhi, to turn oneself [lit: one's face] to God in devotion: 6:79.

405. WD<sup>C</sup>

I. wada<sup>c</sup>a

VB

\* $da^{c}$  adhāhum, Overlook/ignore the trouble/hurt they are causing [you]: 33:48.

# 406. WDhR

I. wadhara

1. + OBJ

i. to disregard/neglect sb/sth:

\*wa yadharūna warā'ahum yawman thaqīlan, And they are unheedful of a difficult day [= Day of Judgment] that lies ahead of them: 76:27.

Also: 6:70; 7:180; 26:166; 37:125.

ii. \*lā tubqī wa lā tadharu: 74:28: see 25 (BQY) IV.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

\*mā kāna llāhu li yadhara l-mu'minīna <sup>c</sup>alā mā antum <sup>c</sup>alayhi ḥattā yamīza l-khabītha mina ṭ-ṭayyibi, lt was not for God to let the

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believers continue in the state you had been until He had marked the wicked off from the pure: 3:179.

 $M\bar{a}$  kana llahu may also be translated "It is not for God," but in the context in which the verse occurs—that of the Battle of Uhud (see Tad., 1:820)—it is perhaps better to use the past tense in translating the phrase.

#### 407. WZR

- I. wazara
  - + OBJ

wazara wizra fulānin, to carry the burden of another person [= be responsible for sb else's actions]:

\*wa lā taziru wāziratun wizra ukhrā, And no one shall carry anyone else's burden: 6:164; 17:15; 35:18; 39:7.

Also: 53:38.

See also 71 (HML) I.2.vii(a).

408. WZN

I. wazana

+ OBJ

wazanahū, to give/deal out a measure of weight to sb: 83:3.

Wazana lahū, the original form, is often abbreviated to wazanahū. Cf. 335 (KYL) I. According to Islāhī (Tad., 8:254), the verse is speaking of giving people their rights, and does not have the narrower meaning of giving short weight (cf. 232 (TFF) II, 370 (KYL) I and VIII, and 450 (WZN) I).

#### 409. WSL

- I. wasala
- 1. + OBJ

\*wa lladhīna yaşilūna mā amara llāhu an yūşala, Those who join what God has commanded to be joined [= have regard for/honor the ties of kinship]: 13:21.

Also: 2:27 [n.]; 13:25 [n.].

2:27 and 13:25: For a translation of these verses, see 313 (Q7<sup>c</sup>) 1.2.ii.

The idiom underlying the expression is wasala rahimahū, which means literally: to join the womb. See Aq., 2:1458. Abū Dhu'ayb al-Hudhalī, D. al-Hudh., 2:152/[5]: wa lam yaku fazzan qāţi<sup>c</sup>an li qarābatin/wa lākin wasūlan li l-qarābati dhā ruḥmī, "He was not rude, or a severer of the ties of kinship; rather, he used to maintain/reinforce the ties of kinship and be regardful of blood relationships." Also, Ka<sup>c</sup>b, 112/[3].

See also 313 (QT<sup>C</sup>) II.1.ii, with n., and 415 (WQY) VIII.1.

**2.** + PREP [*ilā*]

wasala ilayhi:

i. to be given to/received by sb:

\*fa  $m\bar{a}$  kāna li shurakā'ihim fa lā yasilu ilā llāhi wa mā kāna li llāhi fa huwa yasilu ilayhim, But that [portion] which is [designated] for their associates [= false deities] does not go to/reach God; and that [portion] which is [designated] for God goes to/reaches them: 6:136.

ii. to get to sb [with a view to harming him]:

\*lan yaşilū ilayka, They [wicked people] shall not get to you [= shall not be able to harm you]: 11:81.

Also: 28:35.

iii. to belong to sth [e.g. a tribe]:

\*illa lladhīna yaṣilūna ila qawmin baynakum wa baynahum mīthāqun, Except those who belong to a people with whom you have entered into a pact/an agreement: 4:90.

#### Tad., 2:131; Kash., 1:288.

II. wassala

+ OBJ

wassala sh-shay'a, to continue sth uninterruptedly over a period of time:

\*wa la qad wassalna lahumu l-qawla, We have continued sending the message to them [through the ages] in an unbroken continuity: 28:51.

The translation is based on Islāhī's interpretation of the verse (see Tad., 4:820-821). Cf. Zarnakhsharī (Kash., 3:173), who regards the verse as a reference to the successive Qur'ānic revelations. Also, Muf., 525.

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#### 410. WD<sup>C</sup>

I. wada<sup>c</sup>a

**1.** + VB

wada<sup>c</sup>ati l-mar'atu, (of a woman) to give birth: 35:11; 41:47.

2. + OBJ

i. wada<sup>c</sup>ati l-mar'atu hamlahā, (of a woman) to give birth to a child: 3:36 [thrice; obj und in final occurrence; n.]; 22:2; 46:15; 65:4, 6.

3:36: In innĩ wada<sup>c</sup>tuhã unthã, unthã is a hãl. Kash., 1:186.

ii. \*ḥattā taḍa<sup>c</sup>a l-ḥarbu awzārahā, Until war lays down its arms: 47:4.

On the word awzar in the verse, see Kash., 3:453.

3. + OBJ + PREP [ $^{c}an$ ]

wada<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>anhu sh-shay'a, to relieve sb of sth:

\*wa yaḍa<sup>c</sup>u <sup>c</sup>anhum iṣrahum wa I-aghlāla Ilatī kānat <sup>c</sup>alayhim, And he relieves them of their burden and the shackles that were upon them: 7:157.

\*wa wada<sup>c</sup>nā <sup>c</sup>anka wizraka, And We took your burden off you/ relieved you of your burden: 94:2.

IV. awda<sup>c</sup>a

+ PREP [khilāl]

\*wa la awda<sup>c</sup>ū khilālakum yabghūnakumu l-fitnata, And they would have rushed about in your midst, seeking to create trouble for you/sow mischief among you: 9:47.

Tad., 3:174. Cf. Kash., 2:155.

411. WT'

I. wati'a

1. VB

wati'a:

i. to take a step/measure:

\*wa lā yata'ūna mawti'an yaghīzu l-kuffāra . . . illā kutiba lahum bihī <sup>c</sup>amalun sālihun, Not a single step/action do they take, one that Wāw

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infuriates the disbelivers . . . but that a good deed is credited to their account: 9:120 [n.].

9:120: Mawti', here taken as a masdar, can also be construed as an object, in which case the verse would translate: Not a single piece of land do they traverse/cover but that.... See Kash., 2:177; <sup>C</sup>Ukb., 2:23.

#### ii. to concentrate:

*\*inna nāshi'ata l-layli ashaddu wat'an,* Getting up during the night is indeed very conducive to concentration: 73:6.

According to Islāhī, the word wat an in this verse gives the image of "planting one's feet" [cf. thabbata llāhu wat atahū (Asās, 680)], the verse meaning that prayer during the night helps one concentrate and focus one's attention—or, one might say, helps one achieve "sure-footedness." See Tad., 8:25. Also, Kash., 4:153.

**2.** + OBJ

wati'ahū:

i. to set foot on sth [e.g. a territory]:

\*wa ardan lam tata' $\overline{u}h\overline{a}$ , And also a land/territory you have not yet set foot on/trodden: 33:27.

Lab., 113/23.

**ii.** to crush sb [lit: trample sb underfoot]:

\*lam ta<sup>c</sup>lamūhum an tata'uhum, Whom you might have trampled unwittingly: 48:25.

Kash., 3:467.

Al-Hārith ibn Wa<sup>C</sup>lah adh-Dhuhlī, Ham., 1:206/6: wa wati'tanā wat'an <sup>C</sup>alā ḥanaqin/wat'a l-muqayyadi nābiti l-harmī, "You trampled us underfoot in great anger; it was like the trampling of a young harm-plant by a hobbled camel" (cf. A<sup>C</sup>shā, 227/18 [also ibid., 283/3]). Bashāmah ibn <sup>C</sup>Amr, Mufadd, 85/19: tawatta'u aghlaza ḥizzānihī/ka wat'i l-qawiyyi l-<sup>C</sup>azīzi dh-dhalīlā, "[In traversing that land] she [camel] treaded on the hard ground, like a strong, mighty man's trampling underfoot of a weak man."

#### 412. WFY

II. waffā

**1.** + OBJ + OBJ

waffāhu llāhu a<sup>c</sup>mālahū, (of God) to give sb in full [the reward of] his actions: 2:281 [pass]; 3:25 [pass], 161 [pass]; 11:111; 16:111 [pass]; 39:70 [pass]; 46:19.

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[i|\bar{a}]$ 

waffa ilayhi sh-shay'a, to give sth to sb in its entirety:

\*wa mā tunfiqū min khayrin yuwaffa ilaykum, And whatever of your wealth you spend, it shall be repaid to you in full: 2:272.

\*man kāna yurīdu l-hayāta d-dunyā wa zīnatahā nuwaffi ilayhim  $a^{c}m\bar{a}lahum$  fīhā, To those who seek the world and its splendor We shall give in full [the reward of] their actions in it [= in the world = within their lifetime]: 11:15.

Also: 8:60 [pass].

IV. awfā

1. + OB

awfāhu:

i. The following two expressions mean "to give sth in full":

(a) awfā l-kayla/l-mikyāla, to give full measure: 7:85; 11:85; 12:59; 17:35; 26:181.

See n. to (b) below.

(b) awfa l-mizana, to give full weight: 6:152; 7:85.

See also 84 (KhSR) IV, and 388 (NQS) 1.1.i.

ii. awfa nadhrahū, to fulfill one's vow: 22:29;

**2.** + OBJ + PREP  $[l\bar{a}m]$ 

awfā lahū l-kayla, to give sb full measure: 12:88.

#### 413. WQD

- IV. awgada
- **1.** + OBJ

awqada nāra l-harbi, to ignite/kindle the fire/flames of war: 5:64.

Bashāmah ibn <sup>C</sup>Amr, *Mufadd.*, 89/34. Cf. al-Musāwir ibn Hind, *Ham.*, 1:461/5; al-Waqqād ibn al-Mundhir, ibid., 2:564/2; <sup>C</sup>Ant., 195/[6]. Similar expressions are shabba nāra l-ḥarbi, as in Tirimmāḥ, Krenk., 94/30, and <sup>C</sup>Awf ibn <sup>C</sup>Atiyyah, *Mufadd.*, 843/22; sa<sup>CC</sup>ara nāra l-ḥarbi, as in A<sup>C</sup>shā, 83/29; and ash<sup>C</sup>ala lḥarba, as in Qays, 36/7.

The  $l\bar{a}m$  in the verse, here interpreted as muqhamah (see Introduction, n. 54), may also be interpreted as the  $l\bar{a}m$  of "cause" ( $ta^{C}l\bar{l}l$ , in which case the verse would be categorized + OBJ + PREP.

See also 231 (TF') IV.i.

**2.** + PREP [ $^{c}al\bar{a}$ ]

awgada <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to kindle fire upon/over sth:

\*fa awqid lī yā hāmānu <sup>c</sup>alā t-tīni, So make me a fire, O Hāmān, upon the clay [= for the purpose of baking bricks]: 28:38.

Abbreviated form of 3.a, below.

3. + OBJ + PREP [a.  $c_{al\bar{a}}$ ; b.  $l\bar{a}m$ ]

a. awgada n-nāra <sup>c</sup>alayhi, to kindle fire upon/over sth:

\*wa min mā yūqidūna <sup>c</sup>alayhi n-nāra, And that which they smelt in the fire: 13:17.

b. awgada nāran li l-harbi: 5:64: see 1 above, with n.

414. WQ<sup>C</sup>

I. waga<sup>c</sup>a

1. VB

*waqa<sup>c</sup>a l-ḥaqqu,* (of truth) to become manifest/be revealed/be established: 7:118.

Waqa<sup>c</sup>a *l*-amru, "(of sth) to happen/take place." Asās, 686. Waqa<sup>c</sup>a *l*-haqqu: thabata. Aq., 2:1476.

2. + PREP [a. <sup>c</sup>alā; b. bā]

**a.** waqa<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alayhi:

i. (of sth) to become obligatory upon sb, devolve upon sb as a duty/responsibility:

\*fa qad waqa<sup>c</sup>a ajruhū <sup>c</sup>alā llāhi, His reward becomes due [to him] from God: 4:100.

#### Tadmin of wajaba. See Kash., 1:294.

ii. to be imposed/inflicted upon sb:

\*qad waqa<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alaykum min rabbikum rijsun wa ghadabun, Filth and wrath have been inflicted upon you by your Lord: 7:71.

\*wa idhā waqa<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alayhimu l-qawlu, When the verdict against them is handed down [= when the time for the promised punishment comes upon them]: 27:82 [n.].

Also: 7:134; 27:85 [n.]

Waqa<sup>c</sup>a l-qawlu <sup>c</sup>alayhim: wajaba. Aq., 2:1476. Kash., 2:69: Qad waqa<sup>c</sup>a <sup>c</sup>alaykum, ay haqqa <sup>c</sup>alaykum wa wajaba aw gad nazala <sup>c</sup>alaykum.

27:82 and 85. Vs. 82 refers to the time when, after due warning, the disbelievers will be punished in this world. Vs. 85 refers to the time when, in the next world, the decision to throw the disbelievers into hell will be announced. See *Tad.*, 3:766, 768.

Mutammim ibn Nuwayrah, Mufadd., 543/48: fa lā tafrahan yawman bi nafsika innanī/arā l-mawta waqqā<sup>c</sup>an <sup>c</sup>alā man tashajja<sup>c</sup>ā, "May you never be pleased! I see that death overpowers one who tries to display courage." (Fa lā tafrahan is an imprecation [Anbārī's commentary, ibid.])

b. waqa<sup>c</sup>a bihī, (of trouble/punishment) to descend upon sb:
 \*wa huwa wāqi<sup>c</sup>un bihim, While it [punishment] is about to overtake them: 42:22.

Al-Hārith ibn Hillizah, Mufadd., 517/8: wa hasibti waq<sup>c</sup>a suyūfinā bi ru'ūsihim/waq<sup>c</sup>a s-sahābi <sup>c</sup>alā t-tirāfi l-mushrajī, "And [if] you [were to] consider the falling of our swords upon their heads, which was like the falling of rain [lit: clouds] upon leather tents that are standing upright." See also 379 (NZL) 1.

#### 415. WQY

#### VIII. ittagā

**1.** + OBJ

ittagahu, to have regard for sth:

\*wa ttaqū . . . I-arḥāma, And have/show regard for . . . the ties of blood: 4:1.

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Kash., 1:241: . . . fa qīla lahum . . . wa ttaqū l-arḥāma fa lā tuqaṭự<sup>c</sup>ūhā. Cf. also 409 (WSL) 1.1.

2. + OBJ + PREP  $[b\bar{a}]$ 

*ittaqāhu bi sh-shay'i,* to shield oneself against sth by taking refuge behind sth:

\*a fa man yattaqī bi wajhihī sū'a l-Cadhābi, So, is the one who will [have to] fend off the severe punishment with his face [is like the one who will be safe from the fire of hell]? 39:24.

Al-Waqqād ibn al-Mundhir, Ham., 2:561/2: wa lākinna ashābī lladhīna laqītuhum/ta<sup>c</sup>ādaw sirā<sup>c</sup>an wa ttaqaw bi bni aznamā, "But my men [= enemies], whom I met in combat, fled, taking Ibn Aznam as their shield." <sup>C</sup>Amr ibn al-Ahtam, ibid., 4:1652/4: wa kullu karīmin yattaqī dh-dhamma bi l-qirā, "Every noble person protects himself against reproach by means of hospitality." Also, Imr., 16/33, 37/47; Nāb., 34/16; <sup>C</sup>Alqamah, Ahl., 107/28; Qays, 136/6; Suḥ., 21/25; Ibn Rālān as-Sinbisī, Ham., 2:609/3; al-Marrār ibn Munqidh, Mufaḍḍ., 149/ 30.

416. WLJ

I. walaja

+ PREP [*fi*]

\*hatta yalija l-jamalu fi sammi l-khiyāți, Until a camel passes through the eye of a needle [= never]: 7:40.

See also 121 (DWM) I.

417. WLY

II. wallā

1. + ÖBJ

*walla d-dubura*, to flee [from the battlefield], take to one's heels: 33:15; 48:22; 54:45; 59:12.

Cf. 2, 3, and V.3 below.

**2.** + PREP [ $^{C}al\bar{a}$ ]

walla cala duburihi, to tum one's back [on sth]: 17:46.

Cf. 1 above, and 3 and V.3 below.

3. + HAL

*wallā mudbiran,* to take to one's heels, run away: 9:25; 21:57; 27:10, 80; 28:31; 30:52; 40:33.

Grammatically, mudbiran in these verses is (as in 37:90 [V.3, below]) a hal mu'kkidah to walla, but the two words are often used together, acquiring idiomatic force. Cf. the use in Ham., 3:1150/2.

Cf. 1 and 2 above, and V.3 below.

 + OBJ + OBJ wallāhū iyvāhu:

i. to impose sb upon sb:

\*kadhālika nuwallī ba<sup>c</sup>da z-zālimīna ba<sup>c</sup>dan, Thus do We impose the wicked upon one other: 6:129.

ii. wallāhu duburahū, to beat a retreat before sb: 3:111; 8:15, 16.

iii. \*nuwallihī mā tawallā, We shall turn him in the direction in which he turns/wishes to turn/shall direct him to the course he wishes to adopt: 4:115 [obj of tawallā und].

Cf. Zamakhsharī (Kash., 1:298): Naj<sup>c</sup>alhū wāliyan li mā tawallā mina d-dalāli....

V. tawallā

1. + OBJ

tawallahu, to undertake to do sth, assume responsibility for sth:

\*wa lladhī tawallā kibrahū minhum, And the one among them who is chiefly responsible for it [= for the campaign of slander against Muhammad's wife]: 24:11.

2. + PREP [ba']

tawalla bi ruknihi, to shrug one's shoulders [in indifference] and walk away/move away in indifference [lit: to move away with one's side]: 51:39.

Tad., 6:614. Cf. 44 (ThNY) I, and 371 (NY) I. Wāw

3. + PREP  $[^{C}an]$  + HAL

\*fa tawallaw <sup>c</sup>anhu mudbirina, And they went away from him [Abraham]: 37:90.

As in II.3, above, mudbiran in 37:90 is a  $h\overline{a}l$  mu'akkidah, but the meaning of the phrase, tawalla mudbiran, in 30:90 is somewhat different. Whereas in II.3 the phrase means "to beat a retreat," in 39:70 it means simply "to turn around and leave": the people, believing that Abraham was tired and wanted to spend the night in the temple, "turned around" and departed, quite satisfied that he meant no mischief. The phrase is prophetic, however, in that, when he is charged with smashing the idols, Abraham effectively replies to the charge, putting the people to shame, who thus "beat a retreat" before him.

418. WHN

IV. + OB

awhana kaydahū, to thwart [lit: weaken] sb's strategem: 8:18 [act pt].

See also 224 (DLL) II.

419. YSR

II. yassara

+ OBJ

yassara s-sabīla, to make a path/course smooth [for sb]:

\*thumma s-sabīla yassarahū, Then He smoothed the path [of life for man]: 80:20.

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Cf. 377 (MHD) II.

420. YMM

V. tayammama`

+ OBJ

Tayammamahū means "to aim at sth, go/turn to/toward sth." In the Qur'an it has been used in two somewhat different senses:

i. In 2:267 it means "to intend to do sth":

\*wa lā tayammamū l-khabītha minhu tunfiqūna, Do not think of spending [in the way of God] that which is valueless.

ii. In 4:43 and 5:6 it means "to head for sth, look for sth":

\*fa tayammamū şa<sup>C</sup>īdan tayyiban, Then look for pure dust [for the purpose of achieving ritual purity in the absence of water] 4:43; 5:6.

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 $Af^{C\bar{a}I}$  at-ta<sup>C</sup>ajjub, "verbs of surprise." The two patterns of these verbs are:  $m\bar{a} af^{C}alah\bar{u}$  (e.g.  $m\bar{a} asbarah\bar{u}$ , "How patient he is!") and  $af^{C}il bih\bar{i}$  (e.g.  $asmi^{C} bih\bar{i}$ , "How well he can hear!").

Hadith, "report," hence a "tradition" attributed to the Prophet Muhammad (pl.  $ah\bar{a}d\bar{i}th$ ). As a collective noun, the word has been used in this work with a capital H; a small h is used when a single report is meant.

 $H\bar{a}l$ , "circumstance." The syntactical unit that denotes the circumstances under which an action takes place. In  $j\bar{a}'a r\bar{a}kiban$  ("He came riding"),  $r\bar{a}kiban$  is a  $h\bar{a}l$ .

Hāl mu'akkidah, "circumstance of reinforcement." In wallā mudbiran, mudbiran is a hāl mu'akkidah (or: hāl mu'akkidah li <sup>c</sup>āmilihā) since it reinforces the meaning already conveyed by wallā.

*Idāfah, "annexation."* A construction in which one thing stands in a relationship of annexation to another. *Kitābu zaydin* is an *idāfah* construction, *kitāb* being *mudāf*—that which is annexed—and *zayd, mudāf ilayh*—that to which something is annexed.

*lḥrām.* A person performing the pilgrimage of *ḥajj* or <sup>c</sup>umrah is for a certain number of days in the state of *iḥrām* or ritual consecration, during which certain things are forbidden to him.

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*Ikhtiṣās,* "special designation." The preposition *lām* signifies *ikhtiṣās* when something is said to belong to a person specially or to have been done specially for him. An example is 94:4: wa rafa<sup>c</sup>nā laka dhikraka, "And We spread your good reputation for you."

Istithnā' mufarragh, "uncompounded exception." A clause of exception in which the general term (mustathnā minhu) is not stated (e.g. mā qāma illā zaydun), the exceptive particle (illā) lacking governing power. An istithnā' mufarragh is so called because, in it, the word preceding illā (in the example: qāma) is, in governing the word following illā, not "impeded" by illā, but is "free" (tafarragha) to govern it (thus, in the example, mā qāma illā zaydun = qāma zaydun; or, mā ra'aytu illā zaydan = ra'aytu zaydan, and mā marartu illā bi zaydin = marartu bi zaydin. This holds for a non-positive (ghayr mūjab) statement (i.e. one that is negative [nafy], constitutes a prohibition [nahy], or is interrogative [istifhām]). (See Shudh., 264.) As for a positive (mūjab) statement—e.g. abā illā kadhā), it is to be construed in terms of a non-positive statement (e.g. abā illā kadhā = lam yurid illā kadha [see 1 ('BY) 1, n.]).

Kāffah. Mā is kāffah ("preventive") when it "prevents" inna, anna, ka'anna, and lākinna from governing—i.e. giving the accusative case-ending to—their nouns, e.g. in 21:108: . . . annamā ilāhukum wāhidun.

 $Maf^{C}\bar{u}l$  fihi, literally, "that in which the act takes place" hence, adverb of place or time, since something exists, or an act occurs, within the confines of a certain place or time; also called zarf (q.v.). In ra'aytuhū yawman, yawman is a maf<sup>C</sup>ūl fihi, as is ard in awi trahūhu ardan (12:9).

 $Maf^{C}\overline{u}l \ lah\overline{u}$ , literally, "that for which/on account of which an act is done." A noun in the accusative, indicating the reason, cause, or purpose of an action. In 2:19, hadhara *l*-mawti ("out of fear of death"), hadhar is maf^{C}\overline{u}l \ lah\overline{u}. Also called maf<sup>C</sup> $\overline{u}l$  li ajlih $\overline{l}$ .

 $Maf^{c}\bar{u}l mutlaq$ , "cognate object." Maşdar, when used to emphasize the meaning of a verb. In *calima cilman* ("to know thoroughly"), *cilm* is a maf<sup>c</sup> $\bar{u}l$  mutlaq.

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Maşdar, "verbal noun."

Mașdariyyah. Mā is mașdariyyah when, together with the verb following it, it can be translated into a mașdar. An example is 3:118: waddū mā <sup>c</sup>anittum (= waddū <sup>c</sup>anatakum).

*Mu<sup>c</sup>allaqah*, "suspended ode" (pl. *mu<sup>c</sup>allaqāt*). One of a number of long poems composed in pre-Islamic times and reportedly hung on the walls of the Ka<sup>c</sup>bah in view of their excellence.

Muḍāf. See iḍāfah.

Muḍāf ilayh. See idāfah.

Mushākalah, "formal identity." In mushākalah, a construction is repeated in form but does not necessarily carry the same meaning. An example is 2:194: fa mani <sup>C</sup>tadā <sup>C</sup>alaykum fa <sup>C</sup>tadū <sup>C</sup>alayhi bi mithli mā <sup>C</sup>tadā <sup>C</sup>alaykum, "Then, if they should commit aggression against you, you may commit aggression against them, in the same manner in which they have committed aggression against you." The second use of i<sup>C</sup>tadā (= fa <sup>C</sup>tadū <sup>C</sup>alayhi . . .) is not a license to commit aggression, but only a permission to punish the offense (and that according to specific rules), but the word i<sup>C</sup>tadā has been repeated to indicate that the punishment is to match the offense. Another name for mushākalah is mujānasah.

*Naz<sup>C</sup> al-khāfid*, "suppression of the preposition." When the preposition is suppressed, its object takes the accusative case-ending.

*Silah,* "preposition," that is, the preposition that "goes with" a verb, forming, together with that verb, an integral semantic unit.

Tadmin, "implicative meaning." See Introduction ("Definition and Scope").

*Tafkhīm,* "magnification." Use of an indefinite instead of a definite noun, in order to "magnify," i.e. intensify, the meaning. In 89:13, the indefiniteness of <sup>c</sup>adhāb is for tafkhīm.

#### Glossary

*Tamyız, "specification."* A noun in the accusative, used to remove ambiguity and thus *"specify"* what is intended. *Kawkab* in 12:4 is a *tamyız: ahada <sup>c</sup>ashara kawkaban, "Twelve stars."* 

# Tanșiș cală l-cumum, at-. See Zā'idah.

 $Z\bar{a}'idah$ , "supernumerary, adventitious." In 34:44, wa mā arsalnā ilayhim qablaka min nadhīrin, the min is zā'idah, that is, it could be removed without changing the meaning essentially (thus, min nadhīrin = nadhīran). Zā'idah, however, does not mean "redundant." In the above verse, min, though grammatically dispensable, is yet significant from a rhetorical point of view: it signifies "generality" (attanṣīṣ <sup>c</sup>alā l-<sup>c</sup>umūm), the said verse thus meaning: God did not send any warner to the Arabs before Muḥammad. In other words, min serves (in this particular case) to "generalize" the negation.

Zarf, "adverb of place or time" (pl.  $zur\bar{u}f$ ). Literally, "vessel," the place or time being regarded as the vessel that "contains" the act. See also  $maf^{c}\bar{u}l$  fihi.

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