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Selected web-resources to enrich Arabic study

## مصادر مختارة من الإنترنت لإثراء دراسة اللغة العربية

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Language

**A. Letters and sounds:**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/other/arabic/guide/facts.shtml>

# Source: BBC

# Description: [A Guide to Arabic](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/other/arabic/guide/) - 10 facts about the Arabic language

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O7jIMs32yJ4>

Source: YouTube

Description: How to Write the Arabic Alphabet! Free Tutorial Basic Arabic Letters.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ANIoxAxruys>

Source: YouTube

Description: learn about Arabic Alphabet sound, name, shape, and its basic characteristics.

# B. Typing in Arabic

<http://www.yamli.com/>

Source: Google

Description: Arabic search engine and smart Arabic keyboard. It allows users to type Arabic without an Arabic keyboard, from within their web browser. This technology is based on a real-time transliteration engine which converts words typed with Latin characters to their closest Arabic equivalent.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kUFz56LJcSc>

Source: YouTube

Description: This link helps Windows 8 users to install Arabic language to their PC.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nU_zAT3RHkQ>
**Source**: YouTube

**Description:** This link helps Windows 7 users to set up their Arabic keyboards.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jq2Oj1YskkQ>

**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** How to type Arabic in Mac

<http://www.arabic-keyboard.org/>

**Source:** Virtual Arabic keyboard
**Description:** This online tool is provided to write and search in Arabic for Arab travelers or western users who do not have Arabic keyboard.

# C. Online dictionary

<http://www.babylon.com/define/98/English-Arabic-Dictionary-Online.html>

**Source:** babylon
**Description:** This online dictionary is very helpful. It provides fairly accurate definitions and word forms.

<http://online.lingvosoft.com/main.jsp;jsessionid=bc30127612ef2d4f564d?do=Lingvosoft.com-online-form_sample&direction=1&status=translate&lang1=23&lang2=ar&source=critical>

**Source:** lingvosoft
**Description:** An online English - Arabic Online Dictionary! It is implemented with easy access to immediate back translation.

### D. Vocabularies and expressions

<http://www.omniglot.com/language/phrases/arabic.php>
**Source:** Omniglot
**Description:** This link provides a collection of valuable phrases in Modern Standard Arabic. You may click on the English phrases to see them in many other languages.

\*Key to abbreviations: m = said by men, f = said by women, >m = said to men, >f = said to women.

[http://arabic.speak7.com/arabic\_phrases101.htm#](http://arabic.speak7.com/arabic_phrases101.htm)

**Source:** arabic.speak7
**Description:** This helpful link contains (Text & Audio-Video) for some useful Arabic phrases,

expressions, Arabic conversations, and greetings.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L0at67XM6Oc>
**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** Learn numbers 0-100 in Arabic.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PpzH_8zcsec&feature=related>

**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** Learn words-fruits names in Arabic.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wEzcZEL4-PQ&feature=related>
**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** Learn words- vegetables names in Arabic.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PTV6EWpLWig&feature=related>

**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** Learn colors in Arabic

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N43RWFaoIeM&feature=related>
**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** Learn the family members vocabularies.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bOiXl7PT4YQ&feature=channel>

**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** Learn the days of the week

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AizXhPJ2e8k>

**Source:** YouTube
**Description:** A video on names of professions in Arabic – from Arabian Sinbad .

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dtMWu3OECbU>

**Source:** YouTube

# Description: lovely tricks to memorize Arabic words.

##### E. Arabic grammar

<http://acon.baykal.be/>

**Source:** Acon Arabic-verb Conjugator

**Description:** ACON is a **verb reference tool**, powered by a real Grammar Engine that **automatically conjugates verbs**. ACON is available as ACON Online and ACON App

<http://arabic.desert-sky.net/g_vforms.html>

#### **Source:** Desert Sky

**Description:**  Desert Sky helps map out the many rules of Arabic grammar, and one link that’s always handy when you’re working on an Al Kitaab exercise is the site’s [break-down](http://arabic.desert-sky.net/g_vforms.html) of different verb types. It’s a quick reference, and bookmarking it can save you a lot of time flipping through your textbook.

<http://nlp.ldeo.columbia.edu/madamira/>

**Source:** Columbia University

**Description:** MADAMIRA: A Fast, Comprehensive Tool for Morphological Analysis and Disambiguation of Arabic.

[http://innovation.columbia.edu/technologies/cu14012\_arabic-language-disambiguation-for-natural-language-processing-applications#](http://innovation.columbia.edu/technologies/cu14012_arabic-language-disambiguation-for-natural-language-processing-applications)

**F. Activities and quizzes**

<http://quizlet.com/subject/arabic/>

**Source**: Quizlet

**Description:** This tool/App provides more than 5,000 sets of Arabic language Activities and exercises for all levels.

<http://iteslj.org/v/a/>

**Source**: iteslj

**Description**: This English –Arabic quizzes assist in learning and reviewing Arabic vocabularies.

<https://gloss.dliflc.edu/>

**Source**: Foreign language center of Defense Language Institute.

**Description:** GLOSS’s lessons and activities are developed to offer independent learners the learning/teaching tools for sharpening their foreign language skills.

**G. Supporting resources**

<https://www.edraak.org>

**Source**: An initiative by Queen Rania foundation.

**Description:** A not-for-profit platform for Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) in Arabic. For anyone, anywhere, anytime.

<http://learning.aljazeera.net/arabic>

**Source**: Learn Arabic with Aljazeera

**Description:** This is a good tool to use to practice Arabic reading. The neat feature about it is that it focuses on modern Arabic and discusses current events in the news. It also has quiz features to help you measure how much you’ve actually comprehended from the story. It also gives you a vocabulary list on the side of the articles and a link to the main article. Another cool feature of it is that it has short Arabic animation videos as well and you can choose to display the English/Arabic at the bottom of it in text format so you can follow along.

**Culture**

### A. Overview of Arab Culture

<http://fas.org/irp/agency/army/arabculture.pdf>

**Source:** Federation of American Scientist

**Description:** This online pdf includes 58 factsheets about Arab culture. However, it must be emphasized that there is no “one” Arab culture or society. The Arab world is full of rich and diverse communities, groups and ethics.

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/arab-culture/>

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/arabic-songs/>

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/arab-women/>

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/arab-andalusian-culture/>

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/arabic-food/>

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/arab-sports/>

<http://www.arabacademy.com/arabic-blog/category/short_story_competition/>

**Source**: ARAB Academy

**Description**: This is a great blog to learn numerous aspects related to Arabic culture and Arabic language. I highly recommend to explore this blog in depth and try to visit it frequently. Have FUN!!!

<http://arabalicious.com/index.html>

**Source**: Mr. [Taoufiq Cherkaoui](https://www.oercommons.org/browse/provider/taoufiq-cherkaoui)

**Description**: *Arabalicious* is a helpful resource for both teachers and students of Arabic, designated and run by Mr. Taoufiq Cherkaoui. The website includes power Points for download on ideas such as telling time, fruits and vegetables, culture, and basic greetings.

<http://www.al-bab.com/arab/about.htm>

**Source**: Al-bab *(The door)*

**Description**: Al-Bab aims to introduce non-Arabs to the Arabs and their culture.

#### **B. Middle East**

<http://teachmideast.org/>

**Source:** Middle East Policy Council (MEPC)

**Description**: This website is featuring pioneering resource on the culture, geography, history and religions of the Middle East, including essays, learning activities, downloadable multimedia content and interactive Google Earth tours.

C. Culture Talk

<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/arab_levant/index.html>

<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/egypt/index.html>

<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/iraq/index.html>

<http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/yemen/index.html>

**Source**: Lang Media Resource for world language.

**Description**: Culture Talk features video clips of interviews and discussions with people from many different countries and of many different ages and style of life. The links above introduce various video clips in Levantine ,Egyptian, Iraqi and Yemeni dialects . Translations and/or transcripts are given for all video clips. Topics include family, food, education, religious and cultural customs, work, art, sport, travel, and more. Enjoy learning different Arabic dialects ☺

**D. Supporting resources**

<http://albustanseeds.org/>

**Source:** Al-Bustan Seeds of Culture

**Description:** This website is dedicated to presenting and teaching Arab culture through the arts and language. Al-Bustan,” Arabic for “The Garden,” offers structured exposure to the language, art, architecture, music, dance, literature, and natural environment of the Arab world. Al-Bustan promotes cross-cultural understanding among youth and adults of all ethnic, religious, and socio-economic backgrounds through artistic and educational programs. Al-Bustan supports the pursuit and affirmation of Arab American cultural identity, while playing a constructive civic role within broader American society.

**Media**

A. Arabic TV channels

<http://www.watchfomny.net/tv-arabic.php>

**Source**: Watch Fomny

**Description**: This website collects links to live streams from many of the major satellite channels of the Arab world like; Iqra’, MBC, Al Hurra, RT,and Al Jazeera. The channels broadcast programs in MSA as well as all the various Arab dialects.

<http://www.3arablive.com/>

**Source**: 3 Arab Live

**Description**: Watch live number of Arabic TV channels ,and Arabic music channels.

B. Arabic movies and drama

 <http://eldrama.com/>

**Source**: Al-drama

**Description**: This website enables you to watch selected Arabic drama online

C. Arabic songs, lyrics, and music

 <http://www.melody4arab.com/>

**Source:** Melody TV

**Description:** listen or download Arabic music online

<http://www.yala.fm/ar/radio>

**Source**: YALLA FM

**Description:** listen or download Arabic songs online

<http://nogomistars.com/>

**Source**: Nogomi

**Description:** listen and download Arabic songs online

<http://ghaneli.net/>
**Source**: Ghaneli
**Description:** This is a site for free Arabic songs and movies

<http://www.arabicmusictranslation.com/>

**Source:** Blogger

**Description:** This blog, arabicmusictranslation.com (formerly musicarabi.blogspot.com), is dedicated to generating original translations of Arabic song lyrics into English.

# D- Online Arabic Radio Stations

<http://streema.com/radios/BBC_Arabic>

**Source**: BBC Arabic

**Description**: Listen live to BBC Radio in Arabic language

<http://streema.com/radios/Monte_Carlo_Doualiya_MC_Doualiya>

**Source**: Monte Carlo

**Description**: Listen live to Monte Carlo Radio in Arabic language

Monte Carlo

<http://www.almadinafm.com/streaming_player/index.php>

**Source**: Almadina FM

**Description**: listen live to Almadina FM Radio.

<http://tunein.com/radio/Radio-Fann-977-s142626/>

**Source**: Radio Fann

**Description**: listen live to Radio Fann.

<http://tunein.com/radio/3dRadio-Arabic-Radio-s155828/>

**Source**: 3D Radio Arabic Radio

**Description**: Arabic Radio.

**E- Arabic News:**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/arabic/>

 BBC Arabic

 <http://www.france24.com/ar/>

 France 24

<http://www.aljazeera.net/portal>

 Aljazeera

<http://arabic.cnn.com/>

CNN ARABIC

Internship, Scholarship and Career

<http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/classics/arabic/S-I-C>

**Source:** Hunter College

# Description: This link contains numbers of Arabic Scholarships, Internships and Careers available for Arabic students.

<http://as.cornell.edu/academics/careers/explore/language/arabic.cfm>

**Source**: Cornell University

**Description**: This link includes numerous opportunities abroad and in the US for students studying Arabic and students who are interested in Arabic studies.

<https://intern.nasa.gov/non-us-opportunities/index.html>

**Source**: NASA Office of Education

## Description: NASA Intern and Fellow Opportunities for International Students

<https://www.cia.gov/careers/student-opportunities>

**Source**: Central Intelligence Agency

**Description**: Internship opportunity for undergraduate student with foreign languages skills.

APPlications

**A. Learning**



**App**: Learn Arabic (free)

**Source**: Google play/Android

**Description**: A detailed Arabic learning Guide with text & audio. The Guide includes the following:

 - Arabic Alphabets
- Numbers in Arabic
- Arabic Vocabulary and more….



**App**: Let’s Talk Arabic by Adams Languages (free)

**Source**: iPhone

**Description**: This App includes everything you need for the beginner’s level-vocabulary, grammar, culture and practice.



**App**: Harakat (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

**Description**: The biggest issue with reading texts in Arabic today is absence of diacritics, which identify short vowels and are very important in defining the correct meaning of a word.
This unique application will help you resolve this problem: it will provide diacritics for Arabic text, which will make it easier to read and understand.
This app will save time and effort for those who study Arabic, and will also help those who speak Arabic in defining the exact meaning during reading. <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.multillect.harakat&hl=en>



**App**: Open Language

**Source**: iPhone and Android

**Description :** Open Language provides a user friendly, interactive and engaging way of learning Arabic on the go. This app delivers a podcast designed by experts and scholars in teaching Arabic as a second language. With many features such as personal vocabulary, grammar exercises, flash cards and more. This app is an ideal resource for those who are looking to gain fluency in the language in a gradual way through dynamic scenarios that allow for practical language attainment.

 <http://openlanguage.com/library/learn-arabic/2/culture-show/493/top-5-android-apps-for-learning-arabic>



**App**: ArabicMate –Learn Arabic pronunciation

**Source**: iPhone and Android

**Description :** ArabicMate has a good layout and speaking function, can help you to learn Arabic.

**B. News, Radio and TV**



**App:** Arabic TV(free)

**Source:** iPhone and iPad

**Description:** Arabic TV Live application provides a single platform for all the media channels such as; Islamic, News, Sports, Entertainment, channels.



**App**: iTarab Radioby by Fekri Kassem (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

**Description:** This app offers you the opportunity to live stream many online Arabic radios from around the world including BBC, Sky News, MBC, Aljazeera and many music radios.



**App**: Appdater by Mobilionia (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

**Description:** More than 200 Arabic channels. Channel sources are either open public (such as RSS, twitter, etc.) or from the exclusive premium appdater selection.

**C. Music**



**App**: Yala by yala music (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

**Description:** Yala is the great app to play, download and share from the largest existing Arabic music catalogue.



# App: Anghami (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

# Description: This app allows you to listen and download international & Arabic Music.

**D. Games**

# http://www.overpass.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/ArabicBB1-421x238.jpg

# App: Arabic Bubble Bath by Overpass ltd (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

# Description: Learn Arabic with fun games.



# App: Arabic kids memory by Arabia solution (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

**Description:** The game contains several different sets of forms, namely: fruit images, pictures, sports, photo Food and desserts. This games is designed to enhance kid’s memory. However, it is a good app to boost Arabic learning in a fun method.



# App: Tamatem by Tamatem Inc (free)

**Source**: iPhone and Google play

 **Description:** Tamatem is a mobile gaming studio and publisher entirely focused on serving the Arab world with games tailored for the language and culture of the region. Tamatem has published 22 games on iOS and Android in 5 months with over 3 Million downloads. <http://www.crunchbase.com/organization/tamatem-inc#ixzz3BoOY3nLC> & <http://tamatem.co/>