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Introduction to the Arabic Alphabet: Pronouncing Arabic Consonants

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Grade Levels: All

Lesson Duration: 1 50-minute class period

Objective: Students will be able to pronounce each consonant of the Arabic alphabet.

Materials:

- Intro to Arabic Presentation
- Notecards (28 per student) or graphic organizer
- Colored markers or colored pencils
- LCD projector and computer
- Internet connection

Procedure:

1. Do Now (optional)
List at least one difference between the Arabic and English alphabet.
2. Arabic Alphabet Song
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3fiZLAI20Q>
Play once as an introduction (video is also embedded in the presentation)
Revisit possibly at the end of the lesson
3. Arabic Consonants Presentation
 - Each slide will represent one consonant of the Arabic alphabet, including the transliteration and tips to help with pronunciation
 - During the presentation have students complete a flashcard for each letter or complete the fill-in graphic organizer.
 - Each flashcard will have 2 sides: side 1 will include the Arabic letter, and side 2 will include the pronunciation
 - Arabic letter will be in color A
 - Sound will be in color B
 - Hints/examples will be in color C



4. Review each letter with the students
 - Have students refer to their flashcards during the review
5. Replay alphabet song (optional)

6. Exit Ticket (optional)

In complete sentences describe the similarities you found between the English and Arabic alphabets.

For ELLs: In complete sentences describe the similarities you found between the Arabic alphabet and your native alphabet.

Modifications:

- Partner up students in order to work together creating their own phonetic tips for each letter
- Let students use a Arabic alphabet resource sheet
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Assessments:

- Informally assess students while reviewing the letter during step 4 in the procedures.
- Use the exit ticket as a formative assessment

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