Idgham mutamathilayn: two identical letters

When a sakin letter is followed by exactly the same vowelled letter, the two merge into one doubled letter.

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1 Understand

“Mutamathilayn” means “identical”: the two letters share the same makhraj and the same sifat.

2 Spot it

The first letter is sakin (or has no vowel), the second is vowelled and carries a shaddah in the text: فَمَا رَبِحَت تِّجَٰرَتُهُمْ.

3 Read it

You read them as one doubled letter. If the first is a madd letter (و، ي), the madd stays: وَهُمْ ≡≡قَالُو≡≡ is not merged.

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أَلَمْ نَجْعَل لَّهُۥ عَيْنَيْنِ

Surah 90, verse 8

🔊 Listen (Mishary Al-Afasy)

وَٱجْعَل لِّى وَزِيرًا مِّنْ أَهْلِى

Surah 20, verse 29

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فَقُلْ هَل لَّكَ إِلَىٰٓ أَن تَزَكَّىٰ

Surah 79, verse 18

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كَلَّا ۖ بَل لَّا تُكْرِمُونَ ٱلْيَتِيمَ

Surah 89, verse 17

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قَالُوا۟ بَل لَّمْ تَكُونُوا۟ مُؤْمِنِينَ

Surah 37, verse 29

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Previous rule · Sila kubra: the pronoun ha before a hamza, 4 to 5 counts **All rules**

Next rule

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