Lam qamariyyah: the pronounced lam before moon letters

With the article “ال”, if the next letter is a moon letter, the lam is pronounced clearly: ٱلْقَمَرُ is read “al-qamar”.

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1 Understand

The 14 moon letters are: ء ب غ ح ج ك وخ ف ع ق ي م ه. Tip: “ibgh hajjaka wa khaf ʿaqimah”.

2 Spot it

The lam of “ال” has a sukun (ـْـ): it is pronounced, and the next letter is not doubled.

3 Read it

To tell which case, look at the text: sukun on the lam = qamariyyah; shaddah on the next letter = shamsiyyah.

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The 14 moon letters

lam qamariyyah (pronounced lam)

وَٱلْفَجْرِ

Surah 89, verse 1

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وَٱلْعَصْرِ

Surah 103, verse 1

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ٱلْحَآقَّةُ

Surah 69, verse 1

🔊 Listen (Mishary Al-Afasy)

ٱلْقَارِعَةُ

Surah 101, verse 1

🔊 Listen (Mishary Al-Afasy)

طَعَامُ ٱلْأَثِيمِ

Surah 44, verse 44

🔊 Listen (Mishary Al-Afasy)

خَلَقَ ٱلْإِنسَٰنَ

Surah 55, verse 3

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Previous rule · Lam shamsiyyah: the silent lam before sun letters **All rules**

Next rule

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