# Sila sughra: the pronoun ha, a 2-count madd

The ha meaning “him/his” (هُ، هِ) is lengthened 2 counts when it sits between two vowelled letters: لَهُۥ، بِهِۦ.

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**1 Understand**

It is the pronoun ha of the 3rd person masculine singular (“him”), as in إِنَّهُۥ، عَلَيْهِۦ، بِهِۦ.

**2 Spot it**

Conditions: the letter before the ha has a vowel, so does the letter after it, and it is not a hamza. Example: وَلَمْ يَجْعَل لَّهُۥ عِوَجَا.

**3 Read it**

Say “hu” or “hi” holding 2 counts, like a madd tabii.

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The pronoun ha

sila sughra (2 counts)

وَأُمِّهِۦ وَأَبِيهِ

Surah 80, verse 35

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فَأُمُّهُۥ هَاوِيَةٌ

Surah 101, verse 9

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فَلْيَدْعُ نَادِيَهُۥ

Surah 96, verse 17

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مَّا لَهُۥ مِن دَافِعٍ

Surah 52, verse 8

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سَأُرْهِقُهُۥ صَعُودًا

Surah 74, verse 17

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وَصَٰحِبَتِهِۦ وَأَخِيهِ

Surah 70, verse 12

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