Exercise answer key : Classroom objects and the article “ال”

Arabic A1

Detailed answer key for the exercises on "Classroom objects and the article “ال”" (Arabic A1), with step-by-step explanations.

Exercise 1

Translate into English.

1. كِتَابٌ
   → **a book**
2. قَلَمٌ
   → **a pen**
3. دَفْتَرٌ
   → **a notebook**
4. حَقِيبَةٌ
   → **a school bag**
5. طَاوِلَةٌ
   → **a table**

Exercise 2

Translate into Arabic (with vowels).

1. a door
   → **بَابٌ**
2. a window
   → **نَافِذَةٌ**
3. a board
   → **سَبُّورَةٌ**
4. a ruler
   → **مِسْطَرَةٌ**
5. a chair
   → **كُرْسِيٌّ**

Exercise 3

Translate into English.

1. وَرَقَةٌ
   → **a sheet of paper**

2. مِمْحَاةٌ
   → **an eraser**
3. هُنَا
   → **here**
4. هُنَاكَ
   → **over there**

Exercise 4

Make the word definite with ال (mind the final vowel).

1. كِتَابٌ
   → **الْكِتَابُ**
2. قَلَمٌ
   → **الْقَلَمُ**
3. بَابٌ
   → **الْبَابُ**
4. دَفْتَرٌ
   → **الدَّفْتَرُ**

With ال the tanwin disappears. د is a sun letter: it is doubled.

Exercise 5

Make these feminine nouns definite.

1. حَقِيبَةٌ
   → **الْحَقِيبَةُ**
2. نَافِذَةٌ
   → **النَّافِذَةُ**
3. سَبُّورَةٌ
   → **السَّبُّورَةُ**
4. مِمْحَاةٌ
   → **الْمِمْحَاةُ**

Exercise 6

Remove ال: put the word back to indefinite.

1. الْكُرْسِيُّ
   → كُرْسِيٌّ
2. الْوَرَقَةُ
   → وَرَقَةٌ
3. الْمِسْطَرَةُ
   → مِسْطَرَةٌ
4. الطَّاوِلَةُ
   → طَاوِلَةٌ

Exercise 7

Sun or moon letter? Look at the first letter after ال.

1. الْقَلَمُ
   → **lunar**
2. السَّبُّورَةُ
   → **solar**
3. الطَّاوِلَةُ
   → **solar**
4. الْبَابُ
   → **lunar**
5. الدَّفْتَرُ
   → **solar**

Exercise 8

Write each word's pronunciation (transliteration).

1. السَّبُّورَةُ
   → **as-sabbūra**
2. الْقَلَمُ
   → **al-qalam**
3. الطَّاوِلَةُ
   → **aṭ-ṭāwila**
4. الْكِتَابُ
   → **al-kitāb**

Before a sun letter, the ل merges into the next letter.

Exercise 9

Sort these letters: sun or moon?

1. ت
   → **solar**
2. ب
   → **lunar**
3. ش
   → **solar**
4. م
   → **lunar**
5. ن
   → **solar**

Exercise 10

Add the vowels (vocalize).

1. الكتاب
   → **اَلْكِتَابُ**
2. القلم
   → **اَلْقَلَمُ**
3. الباب
   → **اَلْبَابُ**
4. السبورة
   → **اَلسَّبُّورَةُ**

Exercise 11

Complete with the right word.

1. اَلْقَلَمُ ___ (ici) ((هُنَا / هُنَاكَ
   → **هُنَا**
2. اَلْكِتَابُ ___ (là-bas) ((هُنَا / هُنَاكَ
   → **هُنَاكَ**
3. اَلْمِسْطَرَةُ ___ (ici) ((هُنَا / هُنَاكَ
   → **هُنَا**

Exercise 12

Translate the questions: “Where is …?”

1. Where is the door?
   → أَيْنَ الْبَابُ؟
2. Where is the notebook?
   → أَيْنَ الدَّفْتَرُ؟
3. Where is the eraser?
   → أَيْنَ الْمِمْحَاةُ؟
4. Where is the window?
   → أَيْنَ النَّافِذَةُ؟

Exercise 13

Translate the answers.

1. The pen is here.
   → الْقَلَمُ هُنَا
2. The ruler is over there.
   → الْمِسْطَرَةُ هُنَاكَ
3. The bag is here.
   → الْحَقِيبَةُ هُنَا

No verb “is”: ال + noun + place.

Exercise 14

Put the words in order to make a sentence.

1. هُنَا / الْقَلَمُ
   → الْقَلَمُ هُنَا
2. الْكِتَابُ / أَيْنَ
   → أَيْنَ الْكِتَابُ؟
3. هُنَاكَ / الْبَابُ
   → الْبَابُ هُنَاكَ
4. الْمِسْطَرَةُ / أَيْنَ
   → أَيْنَ الْمِسْطَرَةُ؟

Exercise 15

True or false?

1. ال goes at the start of the word.
   → **True**

2. We write الْكِتَابٌ with the tanwin.
   → **False**
3. There are 14 sun letters.
   → **True**
4. In الْقَلَمُ the ل of ال is silent.
   → **False**

Exercise 16

Fix the mistake.

1. الْكِتَابٌ
   → **الْكِتَابُ**
2. الْقَلَمٌ
   → **الْقَلَمُ**
3. الْحَقِيبَةٌ
   → **الْحَقِيبَةُ**

Exercise 17

Masculine or feminine? (look at the word ending)

1. كِتَابٌ
   → **masculine**
2. حَقِيبَةٌ
   → **feminine**
3. نَافِذَةٌ
   → **feminine**
4. قَلَمٌ
   → **masculine**

Exercise 18

Riddle: write the classroom object with ال.

1. We write on it at school.
   → **السَّبُّورَةُ**
2. We open it to go in.
   → **الْبَابُ**
3. We sit on it.
   → **الْكُرْسِيُّ**
4. We erase with it.

→ الْمِمْحَاةُ

Exercise 19

Read the dialogue then answer. أَيْنَ الْقَلَمُ؟ - الْقَلَمُ هُنَا. - وَأَيْنَ الْكِتَابُ؟ - الْكِتَابُ هُنَاكَ.

1. Where is the pen?
   → **Here**
2. Where is the book?
   → **Over there**
3. Which word means “over there”?
   → **هُنَاكَ**

Exercise 20

Write in Arabic five objects you put in your school bag (with ال).

1. Free list
   → **Example: الْكِتَابُ، الْقَلَمُ، الدَّفْتَرُ، الْمِسْطَرَةُ، الْمِمْحَاةُ**

Exercise 21

Write 3 short sentences: a question “where is …?” and its answer with هُنَا or هُنَاكَ.

1. Free writing
   → **Example: أَيْنَ الدَّفْتَرُ؟ - الدَّفْتَرُ هُنَا. - وَالْقَلَمُ هُنَاكَ.**