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Final-Position Hamza in Arabic Script: Challenges and Solutions

Abstract

This article analyzes errors related to the writing of final hamza in Arabic, encountered by learners of Arabic as a foreign language. It examines the orthographic rules governing the writing of final hamza and explores the most common difficulties faced by students, which stem from phonetic, morphological, and graphical factors. The study is based on a rich variety of examples illustrating the nature and typology of these errors. Particular attention is given to the analysis of learners' challenges and possible ways to overcome them. The findings of this research may be useful for Arabic language instructors, methodologists, and curriculum developers.

Keywords: Hamza, final hamza, Arabic orthography, Arabic

Arap Alfabelinde Son Pozisyon Hemze: Zorluklar ve Çözümler

Öz

Bu makale, yabancı dil olarak Arapça öğrenenlerin karşılaştığı Arapça son hamza yazımıyla ilgili hataları analiz etmektedir. Son hamzanın yazımını düzenleyen imla kurallarını incelemekte ve öğrencilerin karşılaştığı fonetik, morfolojik ve grafik faktörlerden kaynaklanan en yaygın zorlukları araştırmaktadır. Çalışma, bu hataların doğasını ve tipolojisini gösteren zengin bir örnek çeşitliliğine dayanmaktadır. Öğrencilerin karşılaştıkları zorlukların ve bunların üstesinden gelmenin olası



yollarının analizine özel önem verilmektedir. Bu araştırmayı bulguları Arapça eğitmenleri, metodologları ve müfredat geliştiricileri için faydalı olabilir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Hemze, Son Hemze, Arapça imla, Arapça

Introduction

In the Arabic language, hamza is an essential element of the phonetic and orthographic system. This unique phonetic unit plays a key role in accurate pronunciation and spelling. In particular, its graphic representation in writing requires special attention. As is well known, this diacritic takes different forms depending on its position within a word. The placement of hamza at the end of a word demands even greater attention, as it follows specific rules that differ from those governing other positions. This article is dedicated to the study of the peculiarities of final hamza orthography. Additionally, the historical development of this sign and its corresponding sound is briefly examined.

1. A Brief Overview of the Historical Development of the Sound and Symbol of Hamza

Historically, hamza (‘) was one of the earliest phonetic units represented in Arabic script. Initially, this sound was conveyed through the letter alif (ا), as in مامن (mu'minun), بس (bi'sə) (hamza is sometimes also referred to as “*alif-yabisa*” لاف اليابسة (Harun, 1993, p. 7). Phonetic changes, particularly those affecting its position at the end of a closed syllable, such as (mu') and (bi'), led to its replacement by the preceding short vowel, which then merged with it to form a single long vowel sound: (muu) → (mū) and (bii) → (bī). This transformation was subsequently reflected in writing through the use of the corresponding letters, as in مون (mūminun) and بیس (bīsə).

With the reestablishment of this sound in connection with the revelation of the Qur'an, an urgent need arose for a new graphic symbol to represent hamza in writing. In the 7th century, the Arab scholar Khalil ibn Ahmad al-Farahidi introduced a graphic form derived from a reduced version of the “*upper part of the letter*” (Abdul Ghani, 2012, p. 68) ‘Ayn (ع), thereby distinguishing hamza as an independent symbol: ئ. This innovation significantly enhanced the accuracy of both the written and phonetic representation of the sound.

2.Final-Position Hamza in Arabic Script

In Arabic script, the rules for writing hamza “depend on its position within a word” (Al-'Uthaymin, 2009, p. 7). In initial and medial positions, the spelling rules are relatively straightforward. However, in final position, the rules governing the spelling of hamza are more complex and specific.

a. With carrier letter

The final-position hamza sign (ء), which represents the consonant sound (ء), is mainly written with one of the carrier letters, while in exceptional cases, it appears without a carrier letter.

In cases where hamza is written with a carrier letter, this supporting function is performed by the dotless yā' (ي), wāw (و), or alif (ا).

As a general rule, the hamza (ء), which represents the consonant sound (ء) at the end of a word, is written with one of the carrier letters, which is chosen based on the preceding vowel. In this case, the hamza is written with a dotless yā' (ي) when preceded by a *kasra* (ى), with a wāw (و) when preceded by a *damma* (ع), or with an alif (ا, ئ, ئـ, ئــ) if it is preceded by a *fatha* (أ/إ). For example, in the words (qári'un), ('əl-qári'u), and ('éqri'), when preceded by (ى), the dotless yā' serves as the carrier letter: أَفْرِيٌّ, قَارِيٌّ, قَارِيٌّ; in the words (təbéttu'un), ('ət-təbéttu'u), and ('úbtu'), when preceded by (ع), the wāw serves as the carrier letter: أَبْطُوٌ, التَّبْطُوٌ, تَبْطُوٌ; in the words (mélə'un), ('əl-mélə'u), and ('ímlə'), when preceded by (أ/إ), the alif serves as the carrier letter: اَمْلَأٌ, الْمَلَأٌ, مَلَأٌ.

Exception: If a vowel preceding the final-position hamza follows a geminated wāw ((yyu') – a geminated wāw with damma), the hamza is written without a carrier letter, for example, (təbéyyu'un), (təbéyyu'in), تَبَيْوَعٌ (təbéyyu'en), تَبَيْوَعٌ ('ət-təbéyyu'u), اللَّتَبَيْوَعُ ('ət-təbéyyu'i), تَبَيْوَعٌ (təbéyyu'u), تَبَيْوَعٌ ('ət-təbéyyu'i), تَبَيْوَعٌ (təbéyyu'e), اللَّتَبَيْوَعُ ('ət-təbéyyu'e). In such words, the hamza is written without a carrier letter even when it appears in the middle of the word, for example: (təbəyyu'ekə) تَبَيْوَعَكَ.

b. Without Carrier Letter

If the consonant sound (ء) in final position follows a long vowel or a consonant, the hamza (ء) representing it is written without a carrier letter, for example, (yuðū'un), وُضْوَعٌ (yuðū'un), السَّمَاءُ ('əl-səmā'u), سَمَاءٌ (radī'un), الرَّدِيَعُ ('ər-radī'u), رَدِيَعٌ (səmād'un), سَمَادٌ ('əl-səmād'u), الْوُضُوءُ ('əs-səməd'u), مَرْءٌ (mér'un), الْمَرْءُ ('əl-mér'u), خَبْءٌ (xáb'un), الْخَبْءُ ('əl-xáb'u). (The absence of a carrier prevents the consecutive writing of an additional wāw after a wāw representing the vowel (ū), an additional yā' after a yā' representing the vowel (ى), and an additional alif after an alif representing the vowel (أ)).

It should be noted that the absence of a carrier letter for the hamza following a consonant at the end of a word is an exception “*in the accusative case*” (Mir ‘Alam, 2012, p. 11), that is, when the word is written with an alif, which serves as the carrier for the tanwīn-fatha.

Thus, if in the accusative case the letter representing the consonant sound before the final hamza has II–III writing forms, the hamza is not written without a carrier but is recorded with a dotless yā', for example: (xáb'ən) (خَبْنَا), (fót'ən) (فَتْنَا), (lóc'ən) (لَجْنَا), (cós'ən) (جَسْنَا), (cés'ən) (جَسْنَا), (hás'ən) (حَصْنَا), (bút'ən) (بُطْنَا), (dif'ən) (دِفْنَا), (fóq'ən) (فَقْنَا), (bék'ən) (بَكْنَا), (mél'ən) (مَلْنَا), (hám'ən) (حَمْنَا), (cín'ən) (شَيْنَا). In other words, in the accusative case, that is, in words written with an alif serving as the carrier for the tanwīn-fathā, the writing of the final hamza depends on whether the letter representing the preceding consonant “*has II–III writing forms*” (Al-Najjar, 2008, p. 18-19):

1. If it does not have II–III writing forms, the hamza is written without a carrier, for example, (ríd'ən) (رَدْءَن), (báz'ən) (مَزْءَن), (mér'ən) (جُزْءَن), (sáu(y)'ən) (سَوْءَن);
2. If it has II–III writing forms, the hamza is written with a dotless yā' as a carrier, for example, (xáb'ən) (خَبْنَا), (fót'ən) (فَتْنَا), (lóc'ən) (لَجْنَا), (cés'ən) (جَسْنَا), (hás'ən) (حَصْنَا), (bút'ən) (بُطْنَا), (dif'ən) (دِفْنَا), (fóq'ən) (فَقْنَا), (bék'ən) (بَكْنَا), (mél'ən) (مَلْنَا), (hám'ən) (حَمْنَا), (cín'ən) (شَيْنَا). (It should not be overlooked that in words in the accusative case, the alif serves as the carrier for the tanwīn-fathā. For this reason, the tanwīn-fathā mark is placed not on the hamza (ء) but on the alif itself.)

When the consonant sound (ء) appears at the end of a word after another consonant, the hamza (ء) representing it is written with a dotless yā' in dual form if it follows a letter that has II–III writing forms, for example,

- in nominative case: (xab'əni) (خَبْنَان), (fót'əni) (فَتْنَان), (lóc'əni) (لَجْنَان), (cés'əni) (جَسْنَان), (bút'əni) (بُطْنَان), (dif'əni) (دِفْنَان), (fóq'əni) (فَقْنَان), (bék'əni) (بَكْنَان), (mél'əni) (مَلْنَان), (hám'əni) (حَمْنَان), (cín'əni) (شَيْنَان);

- in genitive and accusative cases: (xab'éyni) (خَبْنَيْن), (fót'éyni) (فَتْنَيْن), (lóc'éyni) (لَجْنَيْن), (cés'éyni) (جَسْنَيْن), (bút'éyni) (بُطْنَيْن), (dif'éyni) (دِفْنَيْن), (fóq'éyni) (فَقْنَيْن), (bék'éyni) (بَكْنَيْن), (mél'éyni) (مَلْنَيْن), (hám'éyni) (حَمْنَيْن), (cín'éyni) (شَيْنَيْن);

- in nominative case, in the main noun of annexation construction: (xab'ə) (خَبْنَا), (fót'ə) (فَتْنَا), (lóc'ə) (لَجْنَا), (cés'ə) (جَسْنَا), (bút'ə) (بُطْنَا), (dif'ə) (دِفْنَا), (fóq'ə) (فَقْنَا), (bék'ə) (بَكْنَا), (mél'ə) (مَلْنَا), (hám'ə) (حَمْنَا), (cín'ə) (شَيْنَا);

- in genitive and accusative cases, in the main noun of annexation construction: (xab'éy) (خَبْنَيْ), (fót'éy) (فَتْنَيْ), (lóc'éy) (لَجْنَيْ), (cés'éy) (جَسْنَيْ), (bút'éy) (بُطْنَيْ), (dif'éy) (دِفْنَيْ), (fóq'éy) (فَقْنَيْ), (bék'éy) (بَكْنَيْ), (mél'éy) (مَلْنَيْ), (hám'éy) (حَمْنَيْ), (cín'éy) (شَيْنَيْ).

When the consonant sound (') appears at the end of a word after another consonant, the hamza (ء) representing it is written in the dual form according to the rule for the medial position if it follows a letter that does not have II-III writing forms, for example:

- in nominative case: (rid'ّهni) (رِدْهَنْيٰ), (bəz'ّهni) (بَذْهَنْيٰ), (mər'ّهni) (مَرْهَنْيٰ), (cuz'ّهni) (كُزْهَنْيٰ), (sau(y)'ّهni) (سَوْهَنْيٰ). It should be noted that the hamza is also sometimes written without a carrier: (rid'ّهni) (رِدْهَنْيٰ), (bəz'ّهni) (بَذْهَنْيٰ), (mər'ّهni) (مَرْهَنْيٰ), (cuz'ّهni) (كُزْهَنْيٰ), (sau(y)'ّهni) (سَوْهَنْيٰ).

- in genitive and accusative cases: (rid'éyni) رَدْأَيْنِ (bəz'éyni) بَذْأَيْنِ (mər'éyni) مَرْأَيْنِ (bəd'ayn) بَدْأَيْنِ (cuz'éyni) كُوزْأَيْنِ (sau(v)'éyni) سَوْأَيْنِ (جُزْأَيْنِ جَزْأَيْنِ)

- in nominative case, in the main noun of annexation construction: (xab'ő) خَبْنَا, (fat'ő) فَتْنَا (habş'ő) حَصْنَا, (but'ő) بُطْنَا, (dif'ő) دِفْنَا (cəs'ő) حَصْنَا, (cəş'ő) جَحْنَمْ, (ləc'ő) لَجْنَمْ, (fət'ő) فَتْنَةْ, (cəs'ő) حَصْنَةْ, (cəş'ő) جَحْنَمَةْ, (haş'ő) حَسْنَةْ, (fət'ő) فَتْنَةْ; (bək'ő) بَكْنَا, (məl'ő) مَلْنَا, (ham'ő) حَمْنَا, (cin'ő) جَنْنَا, (şey'ő) شَيْنَا;

- in genitive and accusative cases, in the main noun of annexation construction: (xab'éy) جَسْنَيْ (cəs'éy), لَجْنَيْ (ləc'éy), فَثْنَيْ (fət'éy), خَبْنَيْ (has'éy), حَشْنَيْ (ħəs'éy), مَلْنَيْ (məl'éy), بَكْنَيْ (bək'éy), دَفْنَيْ (dif'éy), بُطْنَيْ (but'éy), حَصْنَيْ (ħam'éy), شِنْيَ (cin'éy), حَمْنَيْ (ħəm'éy).

The writing of the consonant sound (') at the end of a word after any short vowel is illustrated by the following examples:

- in the definite form: ('et-tébáti'u') **التباطؤ**; ('et-tébáti'u') **التباطؤ** (')
 ('el-loul') **اللولؤ**; ('el-loul') **اللولؤ** ('); ('et-tékáfu') **التكافؤ**; ('et-tékáfu') **التكافؤ** (')
 ('el-qári') **القاري**; ('el-qári') **القاري** ('); ('el-qári') **اللولؤ**; ('el-qári') **اللولؤ** (')
 ('el-mébd') **المبدأ**; ('el-mébd') **المبدأ** ('); ('el-sháti') **الشاطئ**; ('el-sháti') **الشاطئ** (')
 ('el-mubtéd') **المبتدأ**; ('el-mubtéd') **المبتدأ** ('); ('el-mubtéd') **المبتدأ**; ('el-mubtéd') **المبتدأ** (')
 ('el-xáta') **المملجاً**; ('el-xáta') **المملجاً** ('); ('el-xáta') **الخطأ**; ('el-xáta') **الخطأ** (')
 ('el-mélce') **المخطأ**; ('el-mélce') **المخطأ** (')

النَّبَأُ (’ən-nébə’i), النَّبَأُ (’ən-nébə’u), المَلْجَأُ (’əl-méljə’i), المَلْجَأُ (’əl-méljə’u), الْمَلَأُ (’əl-mélə’i), الْمَلَأُ (’əl-mélə’u);

- in the main noun of an annexation construction: (təbáṭtu'u), (تَبَطْوُ), (təbáṭtu'i), (تَبَطْوُ),
 (təbáṭtu), (لُؤْلُؤُ), (lú'lu'u); (تَكَافْوُ), (تَكَافْوُ), (təkáfu'), (تَكَافْوُ), (təkáfu'), (تَبَطْوُ), (təbáṭtu'),
 (lú'lu'i); (شَاطِئُ), (شَاطِئُ), (sháṭi'), (شَاطِئُ), (sháṭi'); (فَارِئُ), (فَارِئُ), (qári'), (فَارِئُ), (qári'); (مُبْتَدأ), (مُبْتَدأ), (mubtádə'),
 (mubtádə'), (مَبْدأ), (مَبْدأ), (mábdə'), (مَبْدأ), (mábdə'); (شَاطِئُ), (شَاطِئُ), (sháṭi'), (شَاطِئُ), (sháṭi'); (مُلْجَأُ),
 (مُلْجَأُ), (mélca'), (مُلْجَأُ), (mélca'); (خَطَا), (خَطَا), (xáṭa'), (خَطَا), (xáṭa'); (مَلَأُ), (مَلَأُ), (mélə'), (مَلَأُ),
 (mélə'); (نَبَأٌ), (نَبَأٌ), (nábə'), (نَبَأٌ), (nábə'); (مَلَأٌ), (مَلَأٌ), (mélə'), (مَلَأٌ), (mélə')

The writing of the consonant sound (') at the end of a word after any long vowel is illustrated by the following examples:

- in the indefinite form: (yudū'un) هُدُوءٌ (yudū'in) وُضُوءٌ (yudū'en) بُضُوءٌ (hudū'un) هُدوءٌ (hudū'in) سُوءٌ (hudū'en) هُدوءاً (It should not be overlooked that in words in the accusative case, after the long vowel (ū), the alif serves as the carrier for the tanwīn-fatha. For this reason, the tanwīn-fatha mark is placed not on the hamza (ء) but on the alif itself.); (radī'un) رَدِيَءٌ (radī'in) رَدِيَءَ (radī'en) رَدِيَّاً (cərī'un) جَرِيَءٌ (cərī'in) جَرِيَءَ (cərī'en) جَرِيَّاً (It should not be overlooked that in words in the accusative case, after the long vowel (ū), the alif serves as the carrier for the tanwīn-fatha. For this reason, the tanwīn-fatha mark is placed not on the hamza (ء) but on the alif itself.); (mā'un) مَاءٌ (mā'in) مَاءَ (mā'en) مَاءً (racā'un) رَجَاءٌ (racā'in) رَجَاءَ (racā'en) رَجَّاءً (racā'en) هَوَاءٌ (həyā'un) هَوَاءَ (həyā'en) هَوَّاءً (du'ā'un) دَعَاءٌ (du'ā'in) دَعَاءَ (du'ā'en) دَعَّاءً (du'ā'en) بِنَاءٌ (binā'un) بِنَاءَ (binā'in) بِنَاءً (binā'en) بِنَّاءً (It should not be overlooked that in the accusative case, after the long vowel (ā) (represented in writing by (ا) alif), another alif is not written as a carrier for the tanwīn-fatha. Instead, the tanwīn-fatha is placed directly on a hamza without a carrier. This prevents the consecutive writing of two alifs – one representing the long vowel and the other serving as the carrier for the tanwīn-fatha.);

رجاء (racé'i), رَجَاءُ (racé'u); سماء (sémé'i), سَمَاءُ (sémé'u); ماء (má'e), مَاءُ (má'u).

The writing of the consonant sound (') at the end of a word after any consonant is illustrated by the following examples:

- in the indefinite form: (xáb'ún) حَبْءٌ (xáb'ən) حَبْئاً; (fét'un) فَتْهٌ (fét'ən) فَتْهِئاً; (fét'en) لَجْءٌ (lác'ən) لَجْئاً; (lác'in) لَجْئِئاً; (fés'un) فَثْهٌ (fés'ən) فَثْهِئاً; (fés'en) فَثْهِئِئاً; (fés'in) فَثْهُ (fés'ə) فَثْهِيَّاً; (fés'i) فَثْهِيَّيِئاً; (fés'e) فَثْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (ríd'un) رَدْءٌ (ríd'ən) رَدْهِئاً; (ríd'en) رَدْهِئِئاً; (ríd'in) رَدْهُ (ríd'ə) رَدْهِيَّاً; (ríd'i) رَدْهِيَّيِئاً; (ríd'e) رَدْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (mér'un) مَرْءٌ (mér'ən) مَرْهِئاً; (mér'en) مَرْهِئِئاً; (mér'in) مَرْءُ (mér'ə) مَرْهِيَّاً; (mér'i) مَرْهِيَّيِئاً; (mér'e) مَرْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (cúz'un) جُزْءٌ (cúz'ən) جَزْئِئاً; (cúz'en) جَزْئِئِئاً; (cúz'in) جُزْءُ (cúz'ə) جَزْئِيَّاً; (cúz'i) جَزْئِيَّيِئاً; (cúz'e) جَزْئِيَّيِئِئاً; (cás'un) جَسْءٌ (cás'ən) جَسْئِئاً; (cás'en) جَسْئِئِئاً; (cás'in) جَسْءُ (cás'ə) جَسْئِيَّاً; (cás'i) جَسْئِيَّيِئاً; (cás'e) جَسْئِيَّيِئِئاً; (hás'un) حَصْءٌ (hás'ən) حَصْئِئاً; (hás'en) حَصْئِئِئاً; (hás'in) حَصْءُ (hás'ə) حَصْئِيَّاً; (hás'i) حَصْئِيَّيِئاً; (hás'e) حَصْئِيَّيِئِئاً; (bút'un) بُطْءٌ (bút'ən) بَطْهِئاً; (bút'en) بَطْهِئِئاً; (bút'in) بُطْءُ (bút'ə) بَطْهِيَّاً; (bút'i) بَطْهِيَّيِئاً; (bút'e) بَطْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (bék'un) بَكْءٌ (bék'ən) بَكْهِئاً; (bék'en) بَكْهِئِئاً; (bék'in) بُكْءُ (bék'ə) بَكْهِيَّاً; (bék'i) بَكْهِيَّيِئاً; (bék'e) بَكْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (bél'un) مَلْءٌ (mél'ən) مَلْهِئاً; (mél'en) مَلْهِئِئاً; (mél'in) مَلْءُ (mél'ə) مَلْهِيَّاً; (mél'i) مَلْهِيَّيِئاً; (mél'e) مَلْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (hám'un) حَمْءٌ (hám'ən) حَمْهِئاً; (hám'en) حَمْهِئِئاً; (hám'in) حَمْءُ (hám'ə) حَمْهِيَّاً; (hám'i) حَمْهِيَّيِئاً; (hám'e) حَمْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (sáu(v)'un) سَوْءٌ (sáu(v)'ən) سَوْهِئاً; (sáu(v)'en) سَوْهِئِئاً; (sáu(v)'in) سَوْءُ (sáu(v)'ə) سَوْهِيَّاً; (sáu(v)'i) سَوْهِيَّيِئاً; (sáu(v)'e) سَوْهِيَّيِئِئاً; (shéy'un) شَيْءٌ (shéy'ən) شَيْهِئاً; (shéy'en) شَيْهِئِئاً; (shéy'in) شَيْءُ (shéy'ə) شَيْهِيَّاً; (shéy'i) شَيْهِيَّيِئاً; (shéy'e) شَيْهِيَّيِئِئاً;

- in the definite form: ('əl-xáb'u) الْحَبْءَ (')əl-xáb'i) الْحَبْءِ (')əl-fét'u) الْفَتْهَ (')əl-fét'i) الْفَتْهِ (')əl-fés'u) الْفَثْهَ (')əl-fés'i) الْفَثْهِ (')əl-fát'u) الْفَتْهِيَّاً (')əl-fát'i) الْفَتْهِيَّيِئاً; ('əl-lác'u) الْلَّجْءَ (')əl-lác'i) الْلَّجْءِ (')əl-ríd'u) الرَّدْءَ (')əl-ríd'i) الرَّدْءِ (')əl-lác') الْلَّجْءُ (')əl-lác') الْلَّجْءِ (')əl-báz'u) الْمَرْءَ (')əl-báz'i) الْمَرْءِ (')əl-báz') الْبَذْءَ (')əl-báz') الْبَذْءِ (')əl-mér'u) الْمَرْءُ (')əl-mér'i) الْمَرْءِ (')əl-cúz'u) الْجُزْءَ (')əl-cúz'i) الْجُزْءِ (')əl-cúz') الْجُزْءُ (')əl-cás'u) الْجَسْءَ (')əl-cás'i) الْجَسْءِ (')əl-cás') الْجَسْءُ (')əl-hás'u) الْحَصْءَ (')əl-hás'i) الْحَصْءِ (')əl-bút'u) الْبُطْءَ (')əl-bút'i) الْبُطْءِ (')əl-bút') الْبُطْءُ (')əl-féq'u) الْفَقْعَ (')əl-féq'i) الْفَقْعِ (')əd-díf'u) الدِّفْعَ (')əd-díf'i) الدِّفْعِ (')əl-bék'u) الْبَكْءَ (')əl-bék'i) الْبَكْءِ (')əl-féq') الْفَقْعَ (')əl-mél'u) الْمَلْءَ (')əl-mél'i) الْمَلْءِ (')əl-hám'u) الْحَمْءَ (')əl-hám'i) الْحَمْءِ (')əl-hám') الْحَمْءُ (')əl-cín'u) السَّوْءَ (')əl-cín'i) السَّوْءِ (')əs-sáu(v)'u) الْجِنْءَ (')əl-cín') الْجِنْءِ (')əs-sáu(v)'i) الشَّيْءَ (')əs-shéy'u) الشَّيْءِ (')əs-shéy') الشَّيْءُ (')əs-shéy'e) الشَّيْءِيَّةَ;

- in the main noun of an annexation construction: (xáb'u) حَبْءٌ (xáb'i) حَبْءِيَّاً; (fét'u) فَتْهٌ (fét'i) فَتْهِيَّاً; (fés'u) فَثْهٌ (fés'i) فَثْهِيَّاً; (ríd'u) رَدْءٌ (ríd'i) رَدْهِيَّاً; (báz'u) بَذْءٌ (báz'i) بَذْهِيَّاً; (mér'u) مَرْءٌ (mér'i) مَرْهِيَّاً; (cúz'u) جُزْءٌ (cúz'i) جَزْئِيَّاً; (cás'u) جَسْءٌ (cás'i) جَسْئِيَّاً; (hás'u) حَصْءٌ (hás'i) حَصْئِيَّاً; (bút'u) بُطْءٌ (bút'i) بَطْهِيَّاً; (féq') فَقْعٌ (féq'i) فَقْعِيَّاً; (díf'u) دِفْعٌ (díf'i) دِفْعِيَّاً; (bút') بُطْءِيَّاً; (bút'e) بَطْهِيَّيِئاً;

(fəq'i), (fəq'ə); (فَقْعَةٌ) (bék'u), (بَكْعَةٌ) (bék'i), (بَكْعَةٌ); (mél'u), (مَلْءٌ) (mél'i), (مَلْءٌ)
مَلْءٌ; (hám'u), (حَمْءٌ) (hám'i), (حَمْءٌ); (cín'u), (جِنْءٌ) (cín'i), (جِنْءٌ); (sáu(y)'u)
سَوْءٌ, (sáu(y)'i), (سَوْءٌ) (shéy'u), (شَيْءٌ) (shéy'i), (شَيْءٌ).

Conclusion

The study of final-position hamza in Arabic script highlights the complexity and variability of its orthographic representation. The challenges faced by learners of Arabic as a foreign language stem from phonetic, morphological, and graphical factors, leading to frequent errors in writing. The analysis of these errors has revealed patterns that correspond to specific linguistic rules, particularly in relation to the presence or absence of a carrier letter and the influence of preceding vowels and consonants. By systematically categorizing these patterns and providing illustrative examples, this research offers a structured approach to understanding the orthographic rules governing final hamza. The findings emphasize the importance of explicit instruction and targeted practice in overcoming common difficulties. Arabic language instructors, curriculum developers, and methodologists can utilize these insights to design more effective teaching strategies that address the specific challenges posed by final-position hamza. Ultimately, a deeper awareness of these orthographic rules will enable learners to develop greater accuracy and confidence in their writing, facilitating a more comprehensive mastery of Arabic script. Future research may further explore pedagogical techniques that enhance the acquisition of Arabic orthographic conventions and address related linguistic challenges.

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