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Lesson 11: Hamzatul Wasl

Hamzatul wasl (هَمْزَةُ الْوَصْلِ) is also called “the connecting hamza.” *Hamzatul wasl* is only found at the beginning of words. It’s created by drawing the head of ص on the letter *alif*, like this:

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Since *hamzatul wasl* only comes at the beginning of words, it is the glue between two words. In this case, if you read without stopping, you skip the *hamzatul wasl*. Here’s an example:

Phrase	Skip Wasl	Pronunciation
وَالْقَلَمِ	وَلْقَلَمِ	وَلْقَلَمِ

Another rule is **any letter before or after *hamzatul wasl* that has no marking is also skipped.**
(Exception: the letter ن)

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Lesson 11: Practice

Below is Surah an-Nas. Go through the ayat and cross out skipped letters. Then, read it.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ النَّاسِ ﴿١﴾ مَلِكِ النَّاسِ ﴿٢﴾ إِلَهِ
النَّاسِ ﴿٣﴾ مِنْ شَرِّ الْوَسْوَاسِ الْخَنَّاسِ ﴿٤﴾ الَّذِي
يُوسْوِسُ فِي صُدُورِ النَّاسِ ﴿٥﴾
مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَالنَّاسِ ﴿٦﴾

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Cross out the letters that would be skipped because of *hamzatul wasl*. Then, read the example.

يَأْتُونَ الصَّلَاةَ	وَقَالَ أَحْمَدُ
عُقْبَى الَّذِينَ	نَأْتِي الْأَرْضَ
أَيُّ الْحَزِينِ	يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ
مَجْمَعَ الْبَحْرَيْنِ	جَعَلْنَا الرُّءْيَا الَّتِي
فَاسْتَقِيمُوا لَهُمْ	وَإِذَا لَقُوا الَّذِينَ
وَقَالَتِ النَّصْرَى الْمَسِيحُ	يَقْرَبُوا الْمَسْجِدَ الْحَرَامَ
وَلَوْ أَرَادُوا الْخُرُوجَ	فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ