

المسافرون - Hollow Verbs

Hollow verbs are verbs that have a vowel in the middle as a part of their root, like زار and استطاع.

In the present tense, the middle vowel stays put:

Plural		Singular		
نزور	نَحْنُ	أزور	أنا	1st Person (me/I/us/we)
تزور تزور	أَنْتُمْ	تزور	أَنْتَ	2nd Person (m.) (you)
		تزورين تزوري	أَنْتِ	2nd Person (f.) (you)
يزورون يزوروا	هُمْ	يزور	هُوَ	3rd Person (m.) (he/him/they)
		تزور	هِيَ	3rd Person (f.) (she/her)

In the past tense, their middle vowel disappears for first and second person

Plural		Singular		
زُرْنَا	نَحْنُ	زُرْتُ	أَنَا	1st Person (me/I/us/we)
زُرْتُمْ	أَنْتُمْ	زُرْتَ	أَنْتَ	2nd Person (m.) (you)
		زُرْتِ	أَنْتِ	2nd Person (f.) (you)
زَارُوا	هُمْ	زَارَ	هُوَ	3rd Person (m.) (he/him/they)
		زَارَتْ	هِيَ	3rd Person (f.) (she/her)



There is a method to the madness!!

In Arabic, two sukkuns (the circle ° that indicates no vowel sound/syllable) can't be next to each other!

Note: Do NOT confuse hollow verbs with measure III verbs!! Such as شاهد - see measures for more details about measure patterns.