

علم الصرف

The Double consonant verb

الفِعْلُ الْمُضَعَّفُ



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The Double Consonant Verb (الفعلُ الْمُضَعَّفُ) is any verb that contains two identical consonants in the last 2 base letters.

e.g.

يَمْدُدُ - مَدَّ to spread, to extend

يَبْرُرُ - بَرَّ to treat kindly

يَجِدُّ - جَدَّ to be significant or important

The verbs from this type can belong to only 3 categories (from the 6 categories of the regular verb). They are:

باب فَتَحَ	باب ضَرَبَ	باب نَصَرَ
فَتَحَ : يَفْتَحُ	ضَرَبَ : يَضْرِبُ	نَصَرَ : يَنْصُرُ

originally (prior to any necessary or permissible changes) the above verbs would be written:

يَمْدُدُ - مَدَدَ باب نَصَرَ

يَبْرُرُ - بَرَّرَ باب فَتَحَ

يَجِدُّ - جَدَّدَ باب ضَرَبَ

In a number of the forms, assimilation (الإِضْغَامُ) of the last two consonants will take place. Sometimes this is obligatory and sometimes it is permissible.

باب نصرَ يَمُدُّ - مَدَّ

Past tense (active)

Person	Gender	Plurality	English meaning	Before الإِضْغَام	Final form	صيغة
3 rd	Masculine	Singular	He extended	مَدَدَ	مَدَّ	1
		Dual (2)	They extended (2)	مَدَدَا	مَدَّا	2
		Plural (>2)	They extended (3 or more)	مَدَدُوا	مَدُّوا	3
	Feminine	Singular	She extended	مَدَدَتْ	مَدَّتْ	4
		Dual (2)	They extended (2)	مَدَدَتَا	مَدَّتَا	5
		Plural (>2)	They extended (3 or more)	مَدَدْنَ	مَدَدْنَ	6
2 nd	Masculine	Singular	You extended	مَدَدْتَ	مَدَدْتَ	7
		Dual (2)	You all extended (2)	مَدَدْتُمَا	مَدَدْتُمَا	8
		Plural (>2)	You all extended (3 or more)	مَدَدْتُمْ	مَدَدْتُمْ	9
	Feminine	Singular	You extended	مَدَدْتِ	مَدَدْتِ	10
		Dual (2)	You all extended (2)	مَدَدْتُمَا	مَدَدْتُمَا	11
		Plural (>2)	You all extended (3 or more)	مَدَدْتُنَّ	مَدَدْتُنَّ	12
1 st	Masculine and Feminine	Singular	I extended	مَدَدْتُ	مَدَدْتُ	13
		Plural (≥2)	We extended	مَدَدْنَا	مَدَدْنَا	14

NOTE: The letters in red represent the attached pronouns

In the first 5 forms assimilation of the 2nd and 3rd letter is obligatory. It is prohibited in the rest of the forms (6-14) and no change takes place.

Present tense (active)

Person	Gender	Plurality	English Equivalent	Before الإِضْغَام	Final form	صيغة
3 rd	Masculine	Singular	He is extending	يَمْدُدُ	يَمْدُ	1
		Dual (2)	They are extending (2)	يَمْدُدَانِ	يَمْدَانِ	2
		Plural (>2)	They are extending (3 or more)	يَمْدُدُونَ	يَمْدُونَ	3
	Feminine	Singular	She is extending	تَمْدُدُ	تَمْدُ	4
		Dual (2)	They are extending (2)	تَمْدُدَانِ	تَمْدَانِ	5
		Plural (>2)	They are extending (3 or more)	يَمْدُدْنَ	يَمْدُنَّ	6
2 nd	Masculine	Singular	You are extending	تَمْدُدُ	تَمْدُ	7
		Dual (2)	You all are extending (2)	تَمْدُدَانِ	تَمْدَانِ	8
		Plural (>2)	You all are extending (3 or more)	تَمْدُدُونَ	تَمْدُونَ	9
	Feminine	Singular	You are extending	تَمْمِدِينَ	تَمْدِينَ	10
		Dual (2)	You all extended (2)	تَمْدُدَانِ	تَمْدَانِ	11
		Plural (>2)	You all extended (3 or more)	تَمْدُدْنَ	تَمْدُنَّ	12
1 st	Masculine and Feminine	Singular	I extended	أَمْدُدُ	أَمْدُ	13
		Plural (≥2)	We extended	نَمْدُدُ	نَمْدُ	14

NOTE: The letters in red represent the attached pronouns

Assimilation is obligatory in all forms except for the feminine plural 3rd person and the 2nd person feminine plural. The letter ن that is highlighted in green in some of the forms reflect the state of the verb (This will be discussed in Arabic grammar).

Command (active)

Person	Gender	Plurality	English Equivalent	Present tense	Final form	صيغة
3 rd	Masculine	Singular	He	يَمْدُ	لِيَمْدَ	1
		Dual (2)	They (M2)	يَمْدَانِ	لِيَمْدَا	2
		Plural (>2)	They (M>2)	يَمْدُونَ	لِيَمْدُوا	3
	Feminine	Singular	She	تَمْدُ	لِتَمْدَ	4
		Dual (2)	They (F2)	تَمْدَانِ	لِتَمْدَا	5
		Plural (>2)	They (F>2)	يَمْدُدْنَ	لِيَمْدُدْنَ	6
2 nd	Masculine	Singular	You (M)	تَمْدُ	مُدَّ	7
		Dual (2)	You (M2)	تَمْدَانِ	مُدَّا	8
		Plural (>2)	You (M>2)	تَمْدُونَ	مُدُّوا	9
	Feminine	Singular	You (F)	تَمْدِينَ	مُدِّي	10
		Dual (2)	You (F2)	تَمْدَانِ	مُدَّا	11
		Plural (>2)	You (F>2)	تَمْدُدْنَ	أُمْدُدْنَ	12
1 st	Masculine and Feminine	Singular	I (M/F)	أَمْدُ	لَأَمْدَ	13
		Plural (≥2)	We (M/F≥2)	نَمْدُ	لِنَمْدَ	14

Past tense (passive)

Person	Gender	Plurality	English Equivalent	Before الإِضْغَام	Final form	صيغة
3 rd	Masculine	Singular	He	مُدِدَ	مُدَّ	1
		Dual (2)	They (M2)	مُدِدَا	مُدَّا	2
		Plural (>2)	They (M>2)	مُدِدُوا	مُدُّوا	3
	Feminine	Singular	She	مُدِدَتْ	مُدَّتْ	4
		Dual (2)	They (F2)	مُدِدَتَا	مُدَّتَا	5
		Plural (>2)	They (F>2)	مُدِدْنَ	مُدِّنَ	6
2 nd	Masculine	Singular	You (M)	مُدِدْتَ	مُدِدْتَ	7
		Dual (2)	You (M2)	مُدِدْتُمَا	مُدِدْتُمَا	8
		Plural (>2)	You (M>2)	مُدِدْتُمْ	مُدِدْتُمْ	9
	Feminine	Singular	You (F)	مُدِدْتِ	مُدِدْتِ	10
		Dual (2)	You (F2)	مُدِدْتُمَا	مُدِدْتُمَا	11
		Plural (>2)	You (F>2)	مُدِدْتُنَّ	مُدِدْتُنَّ	12
1 st	Masculine and Feminine	Singular	I (M/F)	مُدِدْتُ	مُدِدْتُ	13
		Plural (≥2)	We (M/F≥2)	مُدِدْنَا	مُدِدْنَا	14

Present tense (passive)

Person	Gender	Plurality	English Equivalent	Before الإِضْغَام	Final form	صيغة
3 rd	Masculine	Singular	He	يُمدَّدُ	يُمدَّ	1
		Dual (2)	They (M2)	يُمدَّدَانِ	يُمدَّانِ	2
		Plural (>2)	They (M>2)	يُمدَّدُونَ	يُمدَّونَ	3
	Feminine	Singular	She	تُمدَّدُ	تُمدَّ	4
		Dual (2)	They (F2)	تُمدَّدَانِ	تُمدَّانِ	5
		Plural (>2)	They (F>2)	يُمدَّدْنَ	يُمدَّنَ	6
2 nd	Masculine	Singular	You (M)	تُمدَّدُ	تُمدَّ	7
		Dual (2)	You (M2)	تُمدَّدَانِ	تُمدَّانِ	8
		Plural (>2)	You (M>2)	تُمدَّدُونَ	تُمدَّونَ	9
	Feminine	Singular	You (F)	تُمدَّدِينَ	تُمدَّينَ	10
		Dual (2)	You (F2)	تُمدَّدَانِ	تُمدَّانِ	11
		Plural (>2)	You (F>2)	تُمدَّدْنَ	تُمدَّنَ	12
1 st	Masculine and Feminine	Singular	I (M/F)	أُمدَّدُ	أُمدَّ	13
		Plural (≥2)	We (M/F≥2)	نُمدَّدُ	نُمدَّ	14

Command (passive)

Person	Gender	Plurality	English Equivalent	Present tense	Final form	صيغة
3 rd	Masculine	Singular	He	يُحَدِّثُ	لِيُحَدِّثْ	1
		Dual (2)	They (M2)	يُحَدِّثَانِ	لِيُحَدِّثَا	2
		Plural (>2)	They (M>2)	يُحَدِّثُونَ	لِيُحَدِّثُوا	3
	Feminine	Singular	She	تُحَدِّثُ	لِتُحَدِّثْ	4
		Dual (2)	They (F2)	تُحَدِّثَانِ	لِتُحَدِّثَا	5
		Plural (>2)	They (F>2)	يُحَدِّثْنَ	لِيُحَدِّثْنَ	6
2 nd	Masculine	Singular	You (M)	تُحَدِّثُ	لِتُحَدِّثْ	7
		Dual (2)	You (M2)	تُحَدِّثَانِ	لِتُحَدِّثَا	8
		Plural (>2)	You (M>2)	تُحَدِّثُونَ	لِتُحَدِّثُوا	9
	Feminine	Singular	You (F)	تُحَدِّثِينَ	لِتُحَدِّثِي	10
		Dual (2)	You (F2)	تُحَدِّثَانِ	لِتُحَدِّثَا	11
		Plural (>2)	You (F>2)	تُحَدِّثْنَ	لِتُحَدِّثْنَ	12
1 st	Masculine and Feminine	Singular	I (M/F)	أُحَدِّثُ	لَأُحَدِّثَ	13
		Plural (≥2)	We (M/F≥2)	نُحَدِّثُ	لِنُحَدِّثَ	14