

Standard Arabic Consonantal¹ Phonemes

		Bilabial	Labiodental	Interdental	Dental-alveolar		Postalveolar	Palatal	Velar	Uvular	Pharyngeal	Glottal
					Plain ²	Emphatic ³						
Plosive	Voiceless	b ب			t ت	t ط			k ك	q ق		ء ا
	Voiced				d د	d ض	dz ج		g ⁴ ج			
Fricative	Voiceless	f ⁸ ف	f ف	th ث	s س	s ص	sh ش		kh خ		h ح	h ه
	Voiced			th ظ	z ز	th ذ			gh غ		ء	
Nasal		m م			n ن							
Lateral					l ل	l ⁷ ل						
Trill					r ر				r ⁶ ر			
Approximant		w و							j ⁵ ج			

¹ Long consonants (indicated with a *chadda* ّ) are pronounced like short ones but are held a little longer, being neither stronger nor emphatic.

² Make your tongue narrower and raise the back of your tongue, keeping the tip of your tongue behind your lower teeth, except for "r".

³ Make your tongue broader to cover your side teeth, and lower the back of your tongue.

⁴ Egyptian and southern Yemeni dialects. ⁵ Omani dialect. Sounds like "y".

⁶ Some North African speakers. ⁷ Sometimes for the divine name الله. ⁸ Some speakers.