Meet the Fatha

Arabic Reading Step by Step · Day 1: The Fatha الفَتْحَة

Name: _____

Date: _____

The fatha is a small slanted line above a letter. It gives the letter a short "a" sound, like the a in "cat". Point to each letter and say its sound out loud.

ثَ tha	تَ ta	بَ ba	أَ a'
دَ da	خَ kha	حَ ḥa	جَ ja
سَ sa	زَ za	رَ ra	ذَ dha
طَ ṭa	ضَ ḍa	صَ ṣa	شَ sha
فَ fa	غَ gha	عَ ʿa	ظَ ẓa
مَ ma	لَ la	كَ ka	قَ qa
يَ ya	وَ wa	هَ ha	نَ na

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