

stantial accusative (§§380 ff.) or clause (§§431 ff.): هذا رسول الله قد دخل *hādḥā rasūlu 'l-lāhi qad dakhala* 'Now the Messenger of God has come in'. This usage is restricted primarily to pre-classical Arabic.

Note 1. When ذاك *dhāka*, ذاكم *dhākum*, تلك *tilka*, etc., (§275.2) occur with this function, the direct deixis refers to the person being addressed: ذاكم صاحبكم *dhākum ṣāḥibukum* 'Here is your companion!'

§279. a) A demonstrative referring to a person may occur in combination with the personal pronoun at the beginning of a phrase: أنا ذا *anā dhā*, هو ذا واقف (واقفا) في دارك *hum hā-ulāri*, etc.; أنت ذا *anta dhā*, هو ذا *huwa dhā wāqifun (wāqifan) fī dārika* 'There he is in your house' (§383 a).

b) In classical Arabic, *hā-* usually precedes the personal pronoun:

هأنا ذا *hā-anā-dhā*, f. أنا ذا *anā dhā* or (هَاءُ نَدَا) *hā-anā-dhī* 'Here am I!'; أنت ذا *anta dhā*, f. أنت ذا *hā-anta-dhā*, f. أنت ذا *hā-anti-dhī (-tā)*; هو ذا *huwa dhā*, f. هو ذا *hā-huwa-dhā*, f. هو ذا *hā-hiya-dhī (-tā)*; هانحن أولاء *hā-nahnu-ulāri*, etc.

Note 1. إن *inna* (§339) may replace the personal pronoun: ها إن *hā-inna-dhā*, f. ها إن *hā-inna-dhī (-tā)*: ها إن ذي عذرة *hā-inna-dhī 'idhratun* 'There is an excuse!'

Note 2. On occasion, the demonstrative is lacking: ها أنتم تعلمون *hā-antum ta'lamūna* 'You there sure know it!'

§280. Demonstratives that introduce clauses are: إذ *idh*, إذا *idhā*, usually فإذا *fa-idhā* 'there was (and all of a sudden there was)...'

a) إذ *idh* introduces a verbal clause (§§355 ff.): إني لعندهم إذ أقبل عير *innī la-'indahum idh 'aqbala 'irun* 'I was with them, and there came a caravan' (§407.2).

b) A substantive or pronoun follows إذا (ذ) *(fa-)idhā*: نظرت إليها *naẓartu ilayhā fa-idhā (hiya) 'mrawatun* 'I looked at her, and lo! it was a woman', دخل عليها فإذا هي قد نامت *dakhala 'alayhā fa-idhā hiya qad nāmat* 'He went in to her, and there she was already asleep'. The subject of the clause, which is something that appears suddenly, is frequently introduced by *bi-* (§294 d): فإذا بأبيه *fa-idhā bi-abīhi* 'There all

of a sudden was his father', فإذا هو بأبيه *fa-ʾidhā huwa bi-ʾabīhi* 'All of a sudden, he was face-to-face with his father'.

Note 1. See §§443; 444 on *ʾidh*, *ʾidhā* introducing a main clause. See §442 on *ʾidh* introducing a subordinate clause, and §§464 f. on *ʾidhā* introducing a subordinate clause.

Definite Clauses (Relative Pronouns)

§281.	Sing.	Dual	Plural
m.	الَّذِي (ʾa)lladhī	الَّذَانِ (ʾa)lladhāni	الَّذِينَ (ʾa)lladhīna
f.	الَّتِي (ʾa)llātī	الَّتَانِ (ʾa)llātāni	الَّتَاتِي (ʾa)llātī or الَّلَوَاتِي (ʾa)llawātī

The singular and plural are not inflected. The dual has a nominal inflection: oblique اللَّذَيْنِ (ʾa)lladhayni, اللَّتَيْنِ (ʾa)llatayni. The (ʾa)l- at the beginning is the definite article (§§18.1; 142 b).

Note 1. Pre-classical Arabic had masc. and fem. plurals اللُّوَالِي (ʾa)l-ʾulā and اللَّوَاتِي (ʾa)llawātī (§49 d).

Note 2. ذُو *dhū* with the same function, found in pre-classical poetry, is invariable. It is a feature of the dialect of the Ṭayyiʿ tribe.

§282. Relative pronouns make attributive clauses definite. Like adjectives (§§113 f.), they agree with the substantives to which they refer: الرَّجُلَ الَّذِي ضَرَبْتَهُ (ʾa)r-rajulu 'lladhī ḍarabtuhū 'the man whom I struck', (literally) 'the man who — I struck him', بِالْمَرَاتِينِ اللَّتَيْنِ لَقَيْتَهُمَا *bi-l-marātayni 'llatayni laqituhumā* 'with the two women whom I encountered', الرَّجَالَ الَّذِينَ ضَرَبْتَهُمْ (ʾa)r-rijālu 'lladhīna ḍarabtuhum 'the men whom I struck'. In addition, it functions without antecedent as an independent relative pronoun ('he who, that which'). See §§421 ff.

Nominal Demonstratives

§283. Meaning 'the (possessor, master) of ... , the one with ...' and always followed by a genitive (§391), the demonstrative ذُو *dhū* is inflected nominally: (§150):

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