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PUBLISHER'S NOTE

All the members of Darussalam express gratitude to Almighty Allah for the honour He has bestowed upon them to serve the cause of the Holy Qur'an. As regards the dignity of the Holy Book, it is most pertinent that the error-free text and its simple commentary should be published in very appropriate and excellent way. Moreover, it is also very essential that utmost attention should be given to the learning of the Holy Qur'an, and reading the Arabic text in proper way.

The reading of this Holy Book is itself a way of worship. The most decent way of reading the Holy Qur'an is exactly that which has been ordained by Almighty Allah to the Holy Prophet (ﷺ) in the following verse:

“And recite the Qur'an calmly and distinctly.”

This very process of reciting the Holy Qur'an accurately begins with the elementary education of the Muslim children.

At very first step, the children are required to recognise the alphabets of the Holy Qur'an, to read them in proper way and to learn how to join them all. All these lessons are taught through a Primer. As much easy and comprehensive this very first step would be, the reciter of the Qur'an may be capable of reciting the Holy Book most easily, comfortably and accurately.

Keeping in view the mental growth and development of the children, Darussalam has managed to get the *Primer of the Qur'an* duly compiled by the learned scholar and noted Qari, Shaikh Mohammad Idrees Asim. Through this primary book, the correct system and appropriate method of reciting the Holy Book has become much easier. After reading this Primer, the children may become able to know the organ of speech, the expression of Arabic letters and reading of them in a coherent way.


To let the children properly know different letters, their changing vowels and the correct way of organic expression, different colour

schemes have been adopted. For this purpose, the words of the Holy Qur'an have been frequently used in the proposed exercises. For the guidance of teachers, instructions have been inserted in the beginning of each lesson.

Moreover, our organisation has also prepared cassettes and CDs to enable both the teachers and the students to teach and learn accurate and true art of recitation. Their continuous and proper use will go a long way in creating a taste in the hearts of children for reciting the Holy Qur'an accurately, and permanently. Even this Primer will prove to be useful for general reciters of the Holy Book and may enlighten them how to read the Qur'an accurately, correctly and rightly. It is our indepth intention to carry on the noble task of interpreting the meanings of the Holy Qur'an and the accurate way of its recitation. *Insha Allah* we will go ahead with this prestigious mission.

We appeal to all the teachers and even their students, who are benefitting from the Primer, cassettes and CDs duly prepared by Darussalam, to pray to Almighty Allah for bestowing upon us the Divine grace and accept our sincere efforts in promoting the cause of Holy Qur'an.

“O God! Let it be our good fortune to do things that are pleasing to Thee and make the Hereafter better for us than this world.”



Abdul Malik Mujahid

SINGULAR LETTERS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

FOREWORD

We glorify Allah and send blessings on the noble Prophet ﷺ.

Almighty Allah has said:

“Verily We have revealed the Reminder (Qur'an) and surely We ourselves shall preserve it.” (xv.9)

The Holy Prophet (ﷺ) has said:

“Those who recite the Qur'an, are the virtuous ones and real servants of Allah.”

The Holy Qur'an is the greatest and grand book of the Supreme Lord. Its recitation is the source of blessing, its teaching becomes the cause of prosperity and to follow it is the means of obtaining deliverance. Those who remain fervently engaged in promoting its cause are his real servants. This virtue has been described by the Holy Prophet (ﷺ) in the following way:

“The best of you is the person who learns the Qur'an and teaches others about it.”

If we wish our children to be true Muslims, then we are required to teach them the recitation of the Qur'an in the most proper way. And the *Primer of the Qur'an* seems to be the main source for achieving this purpose. To recite the Qur'an accurately, it is essential for the reciter to have its basic knowledge. He should be well-aware of Arabic alphabets and knows the method of making a sentence through adjoining different letters. He should be well-acquainted with the rules of pronunciation of combination, expression, concealment, inversion, long vowel sign, nasal pronunciation, etc. If a child becomes able to understand these elements properly, then he could recite the Qur'an as it ought to be.

While compiling the *Primer of the Qur'an*, some elements have been underway. These are as follows:

- In the beginning of the lessons, necessary instructions have been inserted for the children.

