

## Q &amp; A

How Do We Write *hay'ah*?

## Question

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I was reading lesson 3 of the section *al-implaa` 2* in level 3 from the online منهج معهد تعليم اللغة العربية بالجامعة الإسلامية:

<http://iqra.medi.u.edu.my/eBooks/nIndex.htm?en|3|1|Level3|im|m3>

and I got confused with the exercise on page 3.

There is the word in the answer جِيَّال and I thought the *hamzah* should be carried by a *yaa* جِيَّال , instead of an *alif*, جِيَّال , because the preceding letter is *yaa saakinah* جِيَّال .

What is the difference between this word and a word like هِيَّات where *hamzah* is also preceded by *yaa saakinah* and is carried by *yaa*?

## Answer

Our Shaykh Dr. Abdur Rahim, حفظه الله replied (quote):

Dear Sister Halima

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This rule is controversial.

The Egyptians and Saudis write the *hamzah* on *yaa* and they say it is an exception.

According to me, it is not an exception. It is according to the rule because a *saakin yaa* is like a *kasrah*:

*hay'ah* is like *hai'ah*.

But the Syrians write it on *alif* :

هَيَاة

which they say is according to rule.

So words of this type may be written in two ways according to one's view of the phonetic value of the *saakin yaa*.

Hope it is clear.

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