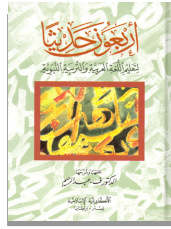


## Q &amp; A

## How To Teach Arabic Vocabulary

## Question

I have a question regarding something that Dr. V. Abdur Rahim wrote in his *muqaddimah* of



أَرْبَعُونَ حَدِيثًا  
لِتَعْلِيمِ اللُّغَةِ الْعَرَبِيَّةِ وَالتَّرْبِيَةِ النَّبَوِيَّةِ

Shaykh wrote,

وَيُوضِّحُ الْمَدْرَسُ مَعَانِيَ هَذِهِ الْمَفْرَدَاتِ بِصُورِهَا أَوْ أَعْيَانِهَا أَوْ حَرَكَاتِهَا.

Could you please explain what is meant by

بِصُورِهَا أَوْ أَعْيَانِهَا أَوْ حَرَكَاتِهَا.

## Our Shaykh Dr. Abdur Rahim حفظه الله replied:

The teacher explains the meaning of words by:

- \* showing the students the picture of what is meant by the word, or
- \* its substance or
- \* its action.

E.g., to explain what البَصَل means, he shows the picture of an onion



or a real onion.

And to explain the meaning of the verb جَرَى he runs



and says this is جَرَى.

abdur rahim