

# اللغة العربية

«بِالمَدِينَةِ \* فِي المَدِينَةِ»



## Question

In Madinah Book 2, a conversation line says:

إِنَّهُنَّ هُنَا بِالمَدِينَةِ المُنَوَّرَةِ

Then the answer to an exercise says:

هُنَّ فِي المَدِينَةِ المُنَوَّرَةِ

Why the difference in use of preposition?

Faḍīlat al-Shaykh Dr. V. Abdur Rahim (حفظه الله) replies:



Dear Sister Haleemah

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Both these prepositions can be used in the sense of *in*.

Usually we say:

بِالْجَامِعَةِ and فِي الْمَدْرَسَةِ

There are no hard and fast rules governing their use.

It is more a matter of feeling.

So do not worry about this matter.