

Memo 9

Irregular verbs

English noun	Redoubled	Defective	Concave	Assimilated	
Arabic noun	أَصَمَّ/مُضَاعَف	نَاقِص	أَجْوَف	مِثَال	
As it is	يَرُدُّ	يَدْعُو	يَكُونُ	Rare	u
	To return, to answer	To call	To be		
	يَظَلُّ	يَرْضَى	يَخَافُ	يَضَعُ	a
	To remain	To be satisfied	To be afraid	To place	
	يَحِقُّ	يَمْشِي	يَمِيلُ	يَلْجُ	i
To turn out	To walk	To lean	To penetrate		

Assimilated

Note: When the root is a ي assimilated verbs undergo no change.

لَا يَيْئَسُ مِنْ رَوْحِ اللَّهِ إِلَّا الْقَوْمُ الْكَافِرُونَ	Only the unbelievers despair of God's mercy (kindness, spiritual grace). (12:87)
وَاللَّهُ يَعِدُكُمْ مَغْفِرَةً مِنْهُ وَفَضْلًا	And God promises you forgiveness and mercy. (2:268)

Concave

اللَّهُ عَلَىٰ مَا نَقُولُ وَكِيلٌ	And God is the guarantor of what we say. (28:28)
وَلَا يَزِيدُ الظَّالِمِينَ إِلَّا خَسَارًا	And this only increases the loss of the wrongdoers. (17:82)

Defective

يَدْعُو مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ مَا لَا يَضُرُّهُ	He calls upon, besides God, that which cannot harm him. (22:12)
إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ	God does not guide the unjust. (63:6)

Redoubled

Note: the medial vowels remain.

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لَا يَمَسُّهُ إِلَّا الْمُطَهَّرُونَ	Only the purified may touch him. (56:77)
لَا يَضِلُّ رَبِّي وَلَا يَنْسَى	My Lord does not err, nor does He forget. (20:52)