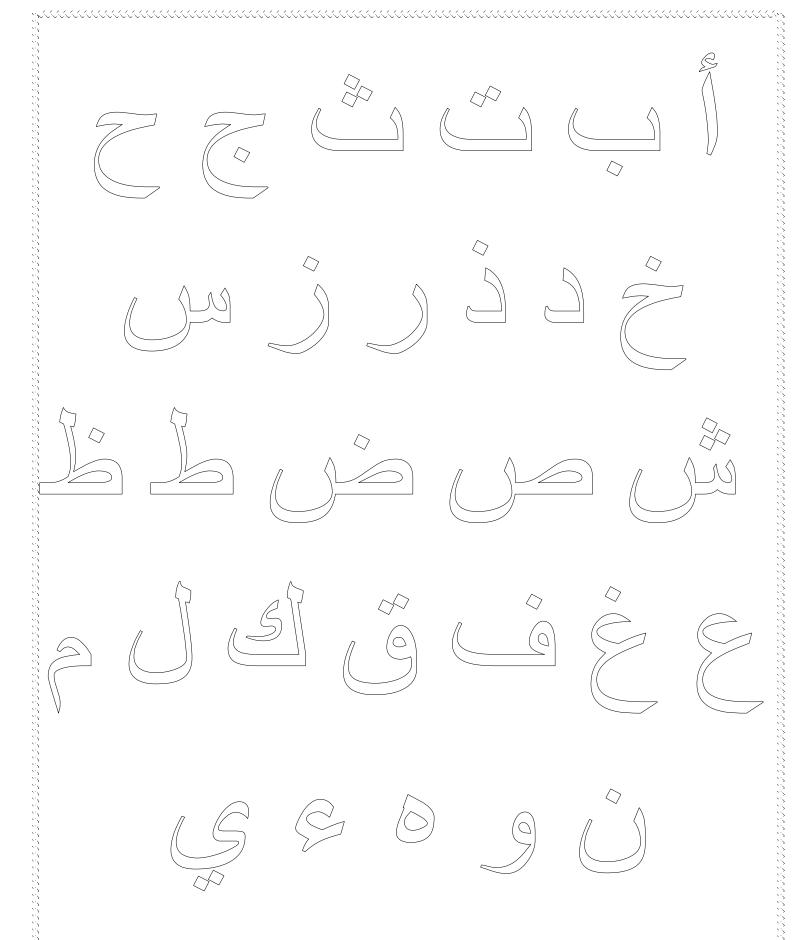
## **USAGE IDEAS:**

I am sure there are thousands of ideas on how you could use these – from simply using them as coloring pages or tracing learning pages to some of the uses listed below. Feel free to suggest any ideas that you have found useful.

- Need paper plates. Have your child color the Arabic Alphabet letters. Find pictures either in magazines or online and paste them to cardstock or index cards to make less flimsy. Cut out around the picture. Take two paper plates and staple them together, facing one another (only staple on the bottom and around the sides leave the top open to use like an envelope. If you'd like, you can cut out an oval or other shape (not too large) on the top of the front plate. Then, cut out and glue the Arabic letter to the front paper plate. As an activity, have your child place the pictures in the appropriate paper plates. For beginners, I would suggest giving your child three or more pictures some of which belong in the plate and some that do not. Then, have your child place the appropriate pictures in the paper plate envelope. Also, for beginners, when you make the cards, you might want to actually write on the card (below the picture) the actual name of the object showing that it starts with a particular letter until your child becomes more familiar.
- Using glitter, macaroni, string or other craft items, create a poster for the Arabic Alphabet letter.
   Let your child decorate the letter and draw pictures of items that begin with that letter.
- Using old magazines, make a learning poster for your child. Have your child color the letter and then have your child find pictures that start with the letter. Allow your child to glue the pictures to the poster.
- For a child interested in taking pictures with a camera, you can always have your child go around
  the house or around the neighborhood to take pictures of items that start with a particular letter.
  Then you can have your child decorate a scrapbook or binder first with a colored or designed
  (glitter glue, etc) alphabet page followed with the pictures they have taken.
- If you use learning posters or the paper plate envelopes, you can easily expand the lessons by using your Arabic Movable Alphabet. Simply place the movable alphabet out for your child and have them write out the words. Mind you, in the beginning I would suggest simply using the letters that are used in the word. In time, you can add more letters to your movable alphabet (the beginning, middle and ending forms of the letters). I know it may sound strange, but I have seen many Arabic books use this method in the beginning to teach children the letters and how they sound in words.
- If you really want to be creative (and have the time) you can use these letters as templates to make felt board letters to teach your child. You can still use the pictures your child has either drawn or cut out (preferably pasted to an index card or cardstock (or you can make new ones for this purpose). Simply put a small amount of Velcro on the back of the picture to allow it to stick to the felt board and you can use this as another method to reinforce the alphabet with your child.

- Color the letters and glue. Either use (as is) or glue to more sturdy paper. Place a few letters around your room. Call out a letter and have your child run to where that letter is located. You could also do this activity outside.
- Create a book for each letter (or put them all in a binder separated by letter. If you want to create
  a book, simply staple the pages together or glue onto nice construction paper and then staple
  pages behind it. Have your child put in their "book" pictures that start with that letter not only
  have a picture of the item, but also write out the name. They can either draw the pictures or find
  them in a magazine. If you read stories to your child in Arabic, or learn vocabulary you can
  always add to your book as your child learns new words.
- For active learners, you can have your child color the letter and either paste the letter to a paper plate or to a piece of paper. Then, place several paper plates around the room. Have several pictures of objects that start with those specific letters and mix them up. Either have your child pick a picture or show your child a picture and have them run to the letter plate that the picture starts with. This activity can also be done outside.



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