

## LESSON 10

### ض DĀD

ض (*dād*). This sound is peculiar to the Arabic language, hence the appellation 'the language of the ض'. It is an emphatic soft dental *d* but in producing it the tongue covers a larger area at the point of contact, it is more tense with the back raised high in the mouth. The centre of the tongue is depressed. The articulation of *dād* like that of *ṣād* is accompanied by a slight rounding of the lips.

It is written like ص. The only difference is that ض has a dot, ص has no dot.

#### ILLUSTRATIVE TEXT

1. to incite	(ḥaḍḍa)	حَضَّ	ضَّ	حَ
2. to lower	(khafaḍa)	خَفَضَ	ضَّ	خَ
3. to laugh	(ḍaḥika)	ضَحِكَ	كَ	ضَ

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4. to be angry	(ghaḍiba)	عَضِبَ	ضَبَّ
5. to excel, to be superior	(faḍala)	فَضَلَ	ضَلَ
6. to be weak	(ḍa'ufa)	ضَعُفَ	عَفَّ
7. to bite	('aḍḍa)	عَضَّ	عَضَّ
8. to cast down	(ghaḍḍa)	عَضَّ	عَضَّ
9. to wander away	(ḍalla)	ضَلَّ	ضَلَّ
10. to roast	(naḍija)	نَضِجَ	ضَجَّ

PRACTICE TEXT 8

1. And she laughed فَضَحَّتْ
2. He created you (plural masculine)  
out of weakness خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ ضَعْفٍ
3. He weakens يَسْتَضْعِفُ
4. Who has strayed مَنْ ضَلَّ
5. Who goes astray مَنْ يَضِلُّ
6. Their effort goes astray ضَلَّ سَعْيُهُمْ
7. They went astray before them ضَلَّ قَبْلَهُمْ

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8. I would go astray

ضَلَلْتُ

9. They lower their eyes

بَغَضُضْنَ

10. He has favoured some of you (above others)

نَضَّلَ بَعْضَكُمْ

11. I preferred you (masculine plural)

نَضَّلْتُكُمْ

يُغْنِيكُمْ

*YUGHNĪKUM*