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تحلمات وعبارات Words and Expressions

ثمانِية/ ثمانِي eight ابهام thumb أحمَر/حَمراء red حدًا very اربَعة/أربَع four letter (of the alphabet) \vec{c} ارکان pillars حَسّاس sensitive مكتشناً okay اسلامے (Islamic horse حصان اسم name حَوالي about, approximately sign, signal/signs, signals إاشارة / اشارات خاص special finger/fingers اصابع اصغر smaller/smallest خَمسة/خَمس five always دائماً افضل better/best eating (12) دین religion arm فراع to/until [] اليَوم today quarter e. English إنجليزي ا wrist انتظر! !wait number انسان person/human being رَمز symbol سَبِعة/سَبِع or e سنتيمترات centimeters ايضا also شمبر (hand measurement (e.g. horses) okay, fine بخير شعر hair بعض some without 1 صنغير small تَحريك movement deaf (people) صُمَّ صورة pictures ترفيه leisure, entertainment تَعالَ! !come world alla عَجائِب wonders the Torah, the Old Testament التوراة

عَرَبِي (Arab(ic عَشَرة / عَشَر ten عشرون twenty عَضلة/ عَضَلات muscle/muscles عظمة/عظام bone/bones على متهلك take it easy, slow down عَمَل (work (noun) عُمو ماً generally at, with, for aic عندَنا we have فقط only in في in قُدرة/قُدرات power/powers old, ancient قديم قف! !stop قیاس measurement as Ś كتابة writing کُتُب books many, a lot کَثیر كَفٌ (palm (of the hand) کُلّ every, all کلام speech/talking for/to] لون color

is not ليس مُختَلف different varied مُستَقْدًا future مسلمون/مسلمين Muslims مصافحة handshake مکان place مكتوب written من from ناس people نری we [can] see نستخدِم we use مذا/هذه this here أهذا there is, there are one, single Ja ولكن ut مد hand اليك اليُسرَى the left hand اليك اليُمنَى the right hand يَستَخدِم الناس people use يَعني / تَعني (it) means يَقول الناس (ان) (people say (that) يَهود Jews يَهودي Jewish Greece اليونان

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Check your understanding

- 1 How many bones are there in total in the human hand?
- **2** How many bones are there in the wrist, and how many in the palm?
- **3** Where are the muscles that control the movement of the fingers?
- 4 What is special about the palm of the hand?
- **5** What does the text mention is significant about the number five in Islam and Judaism?
- 6 How do you sign the letter ث in Arabic Sign Language?
- 7 Approximately how many centimeters long is a "hand" used for measuring horses?

What next?

1 Try answering these questions in Arabic about the hand and its significance in *your* environment:

هل تستخدم يَدك في ألاَكل؟ ما هو قِياس يَدك؟ هل تَستَخدم اليَد اليُمنَى في الكِتابة أو اليَد اليُسرَى؟ هل يَستَخدم بَعض الناس حَولَك إشارات اليد لِلكَلام؟

- **2** Find a photo of a hand, or draw one, and label the different parts in Arabic.
- 3 Look at the additional ideas on www.arabicsmallwonders.com.

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