ج The Letter Jeem

Qaida Lesson 1 — the letters · Letter 5 of 29 · Joins on both sides

1 ITS SHAPES — the same letter, in each position

On its own	At the start	In the middle	At the end
ج	جـ	ـجـ	ـج

2 TRACE IT — start from the right

ج ج ج ج ج ج

3 READ IT WITH THE THREE SHORT VOWELS

جَ	جِ	جُ
ja	ji	ju
fatha · zabar	kasra · zer	damma · pesh

4 CIRCLE EVERY JEEM — there are 12

ض	ج	ه	ج	ك	خ	ق	ل	ج
ص	ز	ذ	ظ	ج	خ	ء	ج	خ
د	ه	ج	ج	ع	ن	ح	س	ج
ه	ث	ا	غ	و	ر	ي	ج	ج
ج	ه	ط	ح	ش	ج	ح	ح	خ

5 WRITE IT YOURSELF

FOR THE GROWN-UP SITTING WITH THEM

WHERE IT COMES FROM
The middle of the tongue pressed against the roof of the mouth.

HEAVY OR LIGHT
Light.

DOTS
One dot, inside the body of the letter.

CONFUSED WITH
Haa and Khaa. The three share one shape: a dot inside is Jeem, no dot is Haa, a dot above is Khaa.

Listen for this mistake. Reading Jeem softly, as the s in measure. Arabic Jeem is a full j with the tongue firmly on the palate, not a brushed sound.

☐ Shapes known ☐ Sound correct ☐ Reads with all three vowels ☐ Ready for the next letter