

## What do you know about حروف العطف? Write in details with example (ماذا تعرف عن حروف العطف؟ اكتب بالامثال)

A word used to connect clauses or sentences or to coordinate words in the same clause is called Conjunction

The conjunction is called in Arabic حرف العطف (Plural: حروف العطف). The حروف العطف don't bring any change in the vowel sign of the noun following them but carry on the vowel sign of the previous noun to the following noun. The following noun which is come after حروف العطف is called معطوف.

Example: خطب المدير والضيف

They are: و, او, ف, ثم, ام, حتي, بل, لكن

### Here is a detail explanation of each حرف العطف with Example

#### 1. و : and

It connects nouns, clauses and sentences as "and" does in English.

Example: دخل خالد و بكر

#### 2. او : or

It indicates choice between two nouns, clauses and sentences as "or" in English. Example: قُم او اجلس

#### 3. ف : then/ so

It sometimes connects single nouns indicating that they happened closely behind each other. But usually it connects two sentences showing that the latter took place immediately after the first.

Example: دخل العميدُ فالمقنَّشُ الفصلَ

#### 4. ثُمَّ : then

It gives the sense of delayed sequence.

Example: شربتُ الماءَ ثُمَّ اللبنَ

#### 5. أَمْ : or

It gives sense of choice and is used in question only.

Example: أَتَشربُ الماءَ أَمْ القهوةَ

#### 6. حَتَّى : even

Even: we want to add emphasis to show that something is surprising or extreme.

Example: فَرَّ الجنودُ حتى القائدُ

- حتى is sometimes used as a preposition too renders its following noun in the genitive case.

## 7. بل: but/ rather

We use rather than to give more importance to one thing when two alternatives or preferences are being compared.

Example: لَأ اشربُ الماء بل القهوةَ

## 8. لَكِنْ : But

But is a coordinating conjunction used to connect ideas that contrast.

Example: الدارُ جميلةٌ لَكِنْ بابُهُ ضيقٌ

- The last letter of لکن i.e. (نْ) is vowel less. If give it فتحة, it will become حروف المشبه بالفعل.

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