

Feminine Words

Unlike English, gender is very important in Arabic. All nouns (persons, concepts, objects, etc.) must be either masculine or feminine. Here are the main feminine groups in Arabic.

	Group	Examples
1	Most singular words that ends with Taa Marbouta except for some rare cases like خليفة , حمزة which ends with taa marbouta but masculine.	tree / شَجَرَة cat/ قِطَة car/ سَيَارَة female teacher / مُعَلِمَة
2	Words that refer to female characters	mother / أُم girl or daughter / بِنت Bride / عروس
3	Most of countries and cities	مِصر اليمِن العِرَاق لِيبيا انجلترا الصين
4	Most parts of the body that come in pairs	eye / عَين hand / يَد leg / رِجل arm / ذِرَاع foot / أَذُن / ear
5	Some words that relate to the natural world	fire / نَار desert / صَحَرَاء sun / شَمس