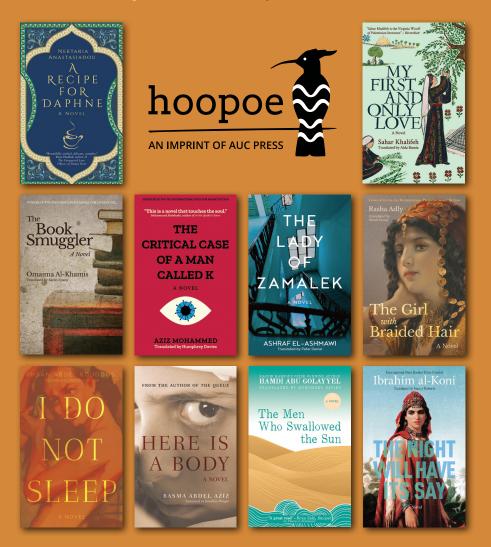
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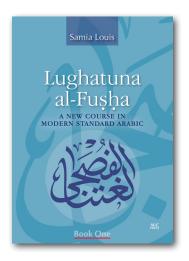
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Samia Louis



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Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) is the literary language of today's books, media, and formal communication throughout the Arab world, the region's principal shared language of written and official discourse. Drawing on her years of experience as an Arabic instructor, author Samia Louis has developed a course rich in everyday contexts and real-life, practical language, along with a wide range of grammar-learning strategies. Written in accordance with the ACTFL guidelines for teaching Arabic as a foreign language. This series of six books is designed for adult learners of Modern Standard Arabic. from beginner to advanced stages. All books are accompanied by audio and audiovisual files and are further supported by interactive drills accessible through the Internet.



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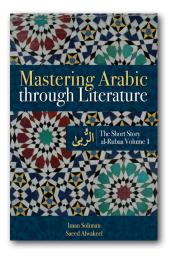
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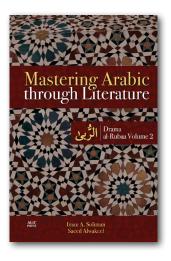
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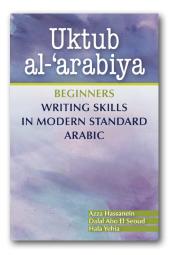
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Writing Skills in Modern Standard Arabic

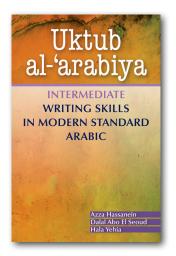
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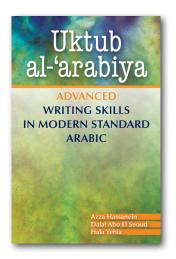
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The authors of this textbook series aim to develop the writing skills of students learning Modern Standard Arabic, enabling them to move from forming correct words, phrases, sentences, and simple texts, to writing simple paragraphs and ultimately producing texts with the competency of a native speaker. These books can accompany any other Arabic textbooks. They introduce students to authentic Arabic written texts; strengthen and enhance their grammar; include key words, collocations, expressions, and idioms; reinforce linguistic accuracy; and train them to use handwriting script. Practical skills such as how to write letters are included.



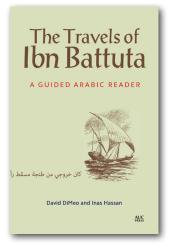
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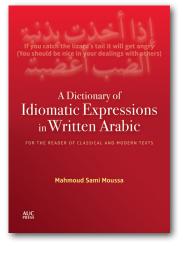
A Guided Arabic Reader

David DiMeo and Inas Hassan

The Travels of Ibn Battuta: A Guided Reader is a unique Arabic literature and history textbook for students at the High Intermediate to Advanced level. Ibn Battuta was the greatest traveler of the medieval period, and his narrative provides an unmatched view of medieval civilization from Spain to China, and from Russia to Mali. Students will read the authentic descriptions of Ibn Battuta's encounters with cannibals, desert bandits, Mongol chieftains, and his impressions of wonders from Timbuktu to Constantinople to Quanzhou. This book provides a guided and scaffolded survey of Ibn Battuta's greatest travels through twenty lessons, each with extensive preparatory, explanatory, and application exercises.

DiMeo and Hassan take an exciting and effective approach to repositioning culture at the center of Arabic-language learning. Instructors will find this textbook a useful, enriching, and valuable asset for their students." —Mbaye Bashir Lo, Duke University

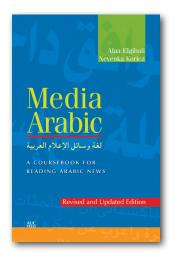
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For the Reader of Classical and Modern Texts Mahmoud Sami Moussa

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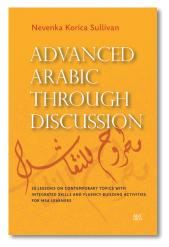


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A Coursebook for Reading Arabic News: Revised and Updated Edition

Alaa Elgibali and Nevenka Korica

In light of the rapidly growing number of people studying Arabic—in academia, governments, NGOs, and business—*Media Arabic* is a unique tool for anyone looking to access news information from this important global region firsthand. Media Arabic introduces the language of the newspapers, magazines, and internet news sites to intermediate and advanced level students of Modern Standard Arabic. Using this textbook, students will be able to master core vocabulary and structures typical of front-page news, recognize various modes of coverage, distinguish fact from opinion, detect bias, and read critically in Arabic.



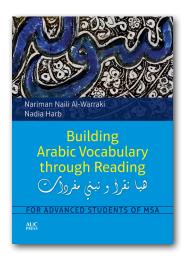
Advanced Arabic through Discussion

20 Lessons on Contemporary Topics with Integrated Skills and Fluency-building Activities for MSA Learners

Nevenka Korica Sullivan

Advanced Arabic through Discussion is a classroom-tested Advanced Arabic course that uses an inquiry-based approach to challenge advanced learners of Arabic by engaging them in discussions about social, ethical, and legal issues related to advertising, censorship, dresscodes, and other topics. The book is organized into twenty chapters, each one devoted to a particular topic. Learners are guided to expand their vocabulary, acquire complex structures, and discover the systematic relationships between language form, function, and meaning. The course is designed to create an interactive classroom discussion; it also can be successfully used with a tutor or for independent study.

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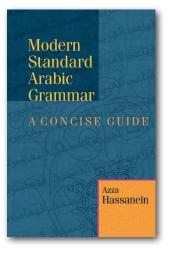


Building Arabic Vocabulary through Reading

For Advanced Students of MSA

Nariman Naili Al-Warraki and Nadia Harb

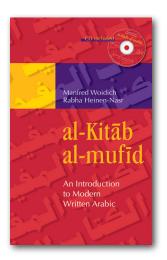
The authors of this textbook have carefully selected a lively variety of texts that cover controversial issues and current events, which are likely to arouse students' attention and interest. In the course of reading to learn, students will not only practice reading strategies, but they will also engage more deeply in the material as informative of Arab and Egyptian society, politics, and culture. Readers will begin to notice high-frequency words and idiomatic expressions in multiple contexts, reinforcing their retention and ability to then use them in discussion. The book includes exercises after every five lessons, and all the drills are gathered in an appendix following the text, as well as a glossary for all vocabulary items.



Modern Standard Arabic Grammar *A Concise Guide*

Azza Hassanein

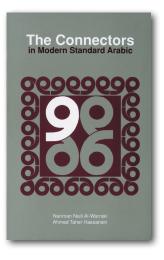
In a compact, easy-to-use format, this book offers a convenient guide to grammar for any student of Modern Standard Arabic (MSA), the version of Arabic most commonly used in journalism, formal writing, and literature. Drawing on over a decade of experience as a full-time teacher of Arabic, Azza Hassanein explains the rules in straight-forward English, illustrating usage with examples throughout. The book covers all the rules of grammar and morphology that students require for elementary, intermediate, and advanced levels of Arabic. As a compact guide, it is an ideal auxiliary, no matter what textbook the student is using. While students of the language will find Modern Standard Arabic Grammar extremely helpful, it is also a valuable tool for linguists who want to acquire a clear idea about the skeletal structure of the language, as well as translators who are working with written Arabic.



al-Kitab al-mufid An Introduction to Modern Written Arabic

Manfred Woidich and Rabha Heinen-Nasr

This sequel to the well-known kullu tamam!, on Egyptian Arabic, by the same authors, focuses on the modern written language used in real life by providing short texts taken from Egyptian newspapers, official statements, and the internet, and introduces personal and business letters, some of them in handwritten form (ruq'a). For those who have studied kullu tamam!, the first lessons give contrastive word lists and exercises to make the link with Egyptian Colloquial Arabic. Extensive pattern drills, translation exercises in both directions, and writing exercises aid understanding and encourage active use of the language. The key to the exercises, the Arabic-English / English-Arabic glossary, and the audio CD containing the texts allow for classroom use as well as for self-study.

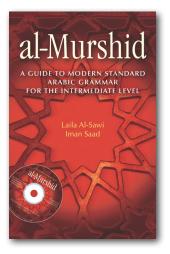


The Connectors in Modern Standard Arabic

Nariman Naili Al-Warraki Ahmed Taher Hassanein

Most Arabic textbooks concentrate on morphology and syntax, but while these provide the indispensable structural base, students still find there is a wide gap between their theoretical knowledge and their practical ability to write connected prose. This unique textbook concentrates on the connectors (those articles. phrases, or idioms which join words, phrases, clauses, or sentences) in a functional setting with the aim of developing and improving the writing skills of intermediate and advanced students of Arabic as a foreign language. Each lesson begins with a presentation of the structures, followed by a sample text and sample sentences, before moving on to a graded series of exercises. The book contains twenty-seven lessons, including five review lessons, and a sample test at the end.

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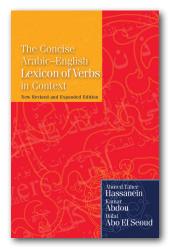


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A Guide to Modern Standard Arabic Grammar for the Intermediate Level

Laila Al-Sawi and Iman Saad

This grammar book is intended for intermediate learners of Modern Standard Arabic. It covers the main points that they need to master at this level to prepare them for the next level of proficiency. Each lesson in the book begins with a brief statement and explanation of a grammar rule followed by different types of exercises. The exercise section of the lessons begins with mechanical drills (some of which have illustrations) for practice of the grammar point of the lesson. At the end, there are writing exercises that enable learners to produce the language freely while still requiring them to use the lesson's grammar. The book is accompanied by a CD with PowerPoint presentations illustrating the grammar rules explained in the lessons, and interactive drills. This very practical textbook provides a fine, flexible tool for a grammarbased approach to teaching MSA.

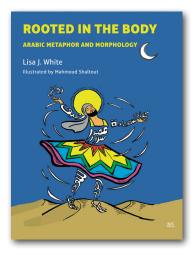


The Concise Arabic–English Lexicon of Verbs in Context

New Revised and Expanded Edition

Ahmed Taher Hassanein, Kamar Abdou, and Dalal Abo El Seoud

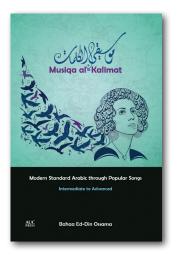
This classic learning aid, popular with teachers and students alike, has now been fully revised and substantially expanded for a complete new edition. With a fully vocalized Arabic text in clear, legible type, this invaluable lexicon now contains more than 3,500 Arabic verbs from 1,450 verb roots. Entries feature concise English definitions, the perfect and imperfect tenses and verbal noun of each verb, and carefully crafted context sentences to illustrate the correct usage and clarify the meaning. An index of English definition helps the user navigate the entries.



Rooted in the Body Arabic Metaphor and Morphology

Lisa J. White Illustrated by Mahmoud Shaltout

Consciously and unconsciously, speakers of Arabic use reams of vocabulary derived from the body, making it an ideal springboard for a deeper and more nuanced understanding of Arabic morphology. Arabic is a language built on abstract roots, short sequences of single consonants that are systematically modified to produce actual vocabulary. Learning to recognize and manipulate those roots is an invaluable skill, especially for non-native adult learners, because it lightens their memorization load significantly. Rooted in the Body uses delightful side-by-side essays and comic illustrations to invite readers to explore Arabic's signature morphology as they reflect on some 120 metaphorically charged body parts. On the road to proficiency, lexical precision is important, but so, too, is cultural fluency. As it demystifies the links between morphology and semantics, Rooted in the Body also uses citations from Arabic's rich cultural history to highlight the body's vital role in language.



Musiqa al-Kalimat

Modern Standard Arabic through Popular Songs: Intermediate to Advanced

Bahaa Ed-Din Ossama

One of the best ways to learn a language is by studying the media that native speakers themselves listen to and read, and popular songs can also reveal much about the culture and traditions of an area where the language is spoken. Following on the success of his Kilma Hilwa: Egyptian Arabic through Popular Songs, Cairo-based Arabic teacher Bahaa Ed-Din Ossama now brings together twenty songs in Modern Standard Arabic performed by popular singers of the Arab world from Abd al-Halim Hafez to Fairouz and builds a variety of language lessons around them, with notes on vocabulary, grammar, and usage, and communicative exercises in listening, reading, and speaking. The songs are graded from easiest to most difficult, and each lesson includes a link to a performance of the song on YouTube, the lyrics of the song, and notes on the writer, the composer, and the singer.

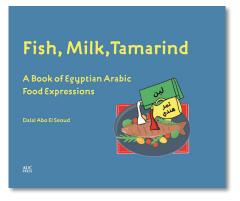


Thirteen Ways to Make a Plural *Preparing to Learn Arabic*

Jacob Halpin

Thirteen Ways to Make a Plural: Preparing to Learn Arabic provides essential guidance on making a success of learning Arabic, drawing on the author's personal experience of having been there and done it, along with the insights and advice of countless other students and teachers. It enables readers to identify the type of Arabic (modern standard or colloquial) suited to their needs, to set realistic learning goals, and to achieve them more efficiently. It includes triedand-tested methods for improving vocabulary retention, speaking fluency, listening accuracy, and reading skills, while separating the grammar that's needed in the real world from that which can be left for later.

This book is a must-read for anyone considering learning, or already learning, Arabic. . . I wish it had been written years ago."—Elisabeth Kendall, University of Oxford



Fish, Milk, Tamarind

A Book of Egyptian Arabic Food Expressions

Dalal Abo El Seoud

Can you guess what Egyptians mean when they say that something is "a peeled banana" or that someone is "sleeping in honey"? You may find the answers guite unexpected when you open the pages of this delightful giftbook featuring some one hundred popular food-inflected phrases and sayings used by native speakers of Egyptian Arabic. Idiomatic expressions lend color, dynamism, and humor to everyday speech, and convey complex ideas and beliefs with an economy of words that also tell us something about the culture from which they spring. Each expression in Fish, Milk, Tamarind is given in Arabic script and English transliteration followed by its literal and intended meanings, while humorous color illustrations throughout help readers visualize and remember the expressions.

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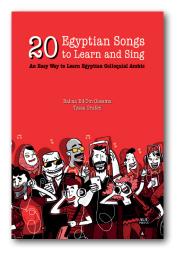


Kilma Hilwa

Egyptian Arabic through Popular Songs: Intermediate Level

Bahaa Ed-Din Ossama

Bahaa Ed-Din Ossama's first book presents twenty songs in Egyptian Arabic performed by popular singers from Umm Kulthoum to Mohamed Mounir and builds a variety of language lessons around them, with notes on vocabulary, grammar, and usage, and communicative exercises in listening, writing, and speaking. The songs are graded from easiest to most difficult, and each lesson includes a link to a performance of the song on YouTube, the lyrics, and notes on the songwriter, the composer, and the singer. Students using this unique book will not only improve their Colloquial Arabic skills but will also gain an insight into the cultural landscape of Egypt. The book can be used in the classroom or for self-study.

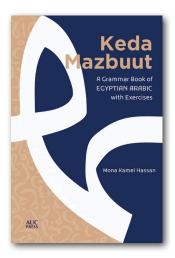


20 Egyptian Songs to Learn and Sing An Easy Way to Learn Egyptian Colloquial Arabic

Bahaa Ed-Din Osama and Tessa Grafen

Songs are a great way to learn a language, and popular songs can reveal much about the culture and traditions of a country where the language is spoken. *20 Egyptian Songs to Learn and Sing* brings together twenty songs performed by popular Egyptian singers, from iconic twentiethcentury diva Umm Kulthum to present-day singing sensation Amr Diab. Aimed at beginner learners of Egyptian Colloquial Arabic and fans of Arab popular music, it builds a lively variety of language lessons around each song, accompanying them with notes on vocabulary, grammar and usage, and exercises.

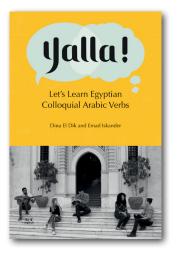
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Keda Mazbuut A Grammar Book of Egyptian Arabic with Exercises

Mona Kamel Hassan

This beginner's level guide to Egyptian Colloquial Arabic (ECA) grammar is the ideal supplement for students of ECA as a foreign language. Keda Mazbuut is divided into twentyfive lessons, each devoted to a key grammatical rule, with examples to illustrate usage followed by a variety of exercises. Mona Hassan has organized the lesson topics to progress in difficulty, from basic nominal sentences to more complex grammatical structures such as the imperative and conditional sentences. All rules are explained in straightforward English, while words and phrases are provided in both Arabic script and transcribed Arabic, accompanied by audio files to facilitate students' ECA pronunciation.



Yalla! Let's Learn Egyptian Colloquial Arabic Verbs

Dina El Dik and Emad Iskandar

Yalla! Let's Learn Egyptian Colloquial Arabic Verbs is a practical tool to help both students and teachers of Arabic in the classroom. It presents the three hundred most frequently used verbs in Egyptian Colloquial Arabic (ECA), each one categorized according to ECA verb patterns, which are based on those used in Modern Standard Arabic. The verbs are fully conjugated in the present/imperfect and past/perfect tenses in the affirmative and the negative, each entry also listing imperatives and active participles. This resource focuses on pronunciation, rather than reading or writing, in order to help students gain fluency in spoken Egyptian Arabic. To this end, each verb in the book is spelled phonetically.

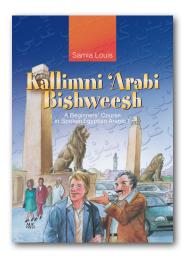
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EGYPTIAN COLLOQUIAL ARABIC

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A Course in Spoken Egyptian Arabic

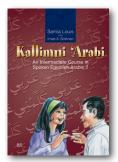
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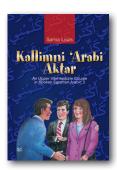
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Drawing on her years of experience as an Arabic instructor, author Samia Louis has developed a course rich in everyday cultural content and real-life functional language as well as comprehensive grammar. This series of five books is designed for adult learners of Egyptian Colloquial Arabic, from beginner to advanced stages. Each chapter in the books includes a conversation unit that enables students to improve their communication skills and allows for progressive acquisition of vocabulary and grammar through interactive classroom tasks and everyday situations, from expressing personal likes and dislikes to initiating conversations and describing events and experiences. The associated audio and audiovisual files have recordings of each chapter's dialogues and exercises, made by native Egyptian speakers to enrich the student's exposure to the spoken language in its natural context and speed.



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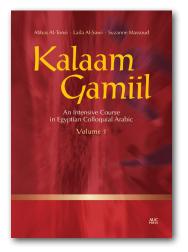
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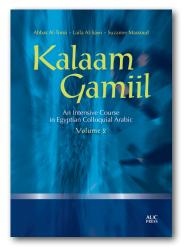


Kalaam Gamiil

An Intensive Course in Egyptian Colloquial Arabic. Volume 1

Abbas Al-Tonsi, Laila Al-Sawi, and Suzanne Massoud

Based on the cumulative experience of three leading teachers of Arabic as a foreign language, Kalaam Gamiil builds and develops communicative skills in Egyptian Colloquial Arabic, along parallel tracks of vocabulary and grammar. It is designed for students who have reached the lower intermediate level of Modern Standard Arabic and are now ready to branch out into their first experience of a major spoken dialect. Structured around basic topics that crop up in daily conversations, the lessons each include a situation, a vocabulary list, preparatory sentences using the new vocabulary items, explanations of grammar in English, cultural information, and a variety of mechanical drills and communicative exercises.



Kalaam Gamiil

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Abbas Al-Tonsi, Laila Al-Sawi, and Suzanne Massoud

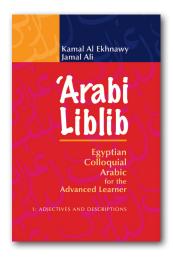
Kalaam Gamiil Volume 2 further develops learners' skills in Egyptian Colloquial Arabic, along parallel tracks of vocabulary and grammar. It is designed to enable students to communicate effectively with native speakers in a wider range of social situations, with a higher degree of accuracy and fluency by expanding learners' vocabulary and idiomatic expressions, increasing their command of grammar (both syntax and morphology), as well as instilling a measure of cross-cultural understanding.

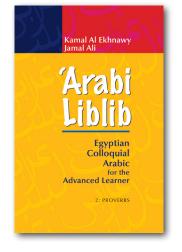
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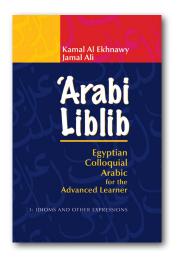
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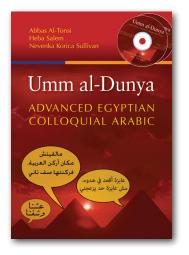
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While most courses in Egyptian Arabic teach the essentials of syntax, morphology, and vocabulary, this second in a series of three books takes the student a step beyond and focuses on colorful expressions used by native speakers. The learner will advance from knowing how to form a good sentence to being able to express his or her thoughts about the ups and downs of daily life using culturally appropriate phrases. Each entry is given fully voweled followed by its feminine form and plural, and definitions (including connotation) and explanations are given in Egyptian Colloquial Arabic.



3: Idioms and Other Expressions

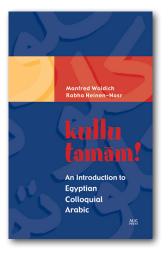
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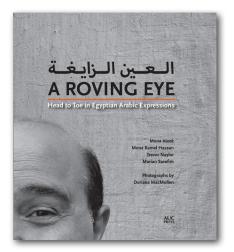
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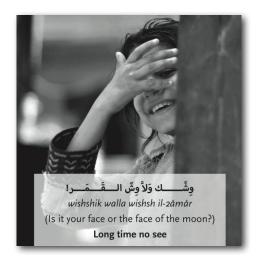
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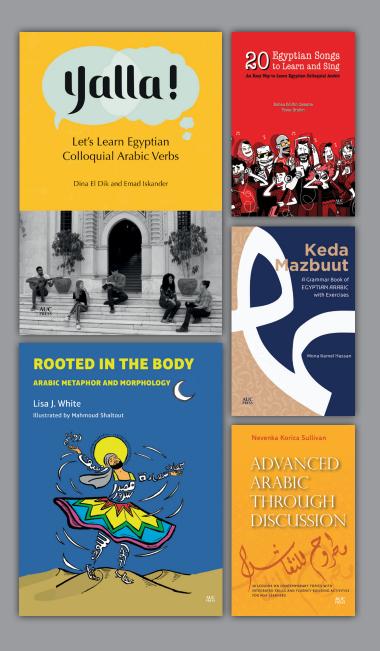
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