



Video Worksheet

Unit number: 08

Topic: Describing appearance

Video: Amira describes a family photo

Go to www.macmillanihe.com/masteringarabic to play the video of Amira describing a photo of a recent event. Can you answer these questions?

- 1 What is the occasion?
- 2 Who are in the photo?
- 3 What are they wearing?
- 4 What colours does Amira mention?

First, listen for the key information, and then listen again for more detail. You'll find a transcript, a translation and an extension activity on the website.



Extension activity

✓ Match the English words to the Arabic words as used in the video.

a sister

١ فَرَح

b suit

٢ عَمَّ

c wedding [party]

٣ فُسْتَان

d hijab

٤ شَاب

e [paternal] uncle

٥ أَخ

f young person

٦ بَدَلَة

g brother

٧ أُخْت

h dress

٨ حِجَاب

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Transcript

مرحباً! هذه صورة فرح بنت أخي.

الشابّ الذي يلبس بدلة زرقاء اسمه علي. والبنت التي تلبس فستان أبيض مع حجاب أخضر اسمها علا. هي أخته.

أمّا الشابّ الذي يلبس بدلة سوداء، اسمه كريم. والبنت التي تلبس فستان بنيّ مع حجاب بنيّ أيضاً اسمها بسنت وهي بنت عمّه.

وأخيراً، البنت التي تلبس فستان أبيض مع حجاب أبيض اسمها هند، وهي أختها. شكراً.

Translation

Hello! This is the wedding photo of my niece (my brother's daughter).

The young man wearing a blue suit is called Ali. The girl who is wearing a white dress with a green hijab is called Ola. She is his sister.

As for the young man wearing a black suit, he is called Kareem. The girl who is wearing a brown dress with a brown hijab is called Bassant, and she is his cousin (daughter of his paternal uncle).

And finally, the girl who is wearing a white dress with a white hijab is called Hind, and she is her [the bride's] sister. Thanks!

Notes

- ✓ The videos are unscripted and the speakers are communicating in Standard Arabic, without preparation.
- ✓ For example, strictly speaking تلبس فُستاناً should be تلبس فُستان, but, without preparation, the pronunciation reflects the way Arabic is usually spoken.

Answers to Extension activity

1 Amira's niece's wedding. 2 Ali and his sister Ola; Kareem and his cousin Bassant; Hind, sister of the bride. 3 Ali is wearing a blue suit; Ola is wearing a white dress with a green hijab; Kareem is wearing a black suit; Bassant is wearing a brown dress and hijab; Hind is wearing a white dress and hijab. 4 Blue, white, green, black and brown.

Answers to comprehension questions

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