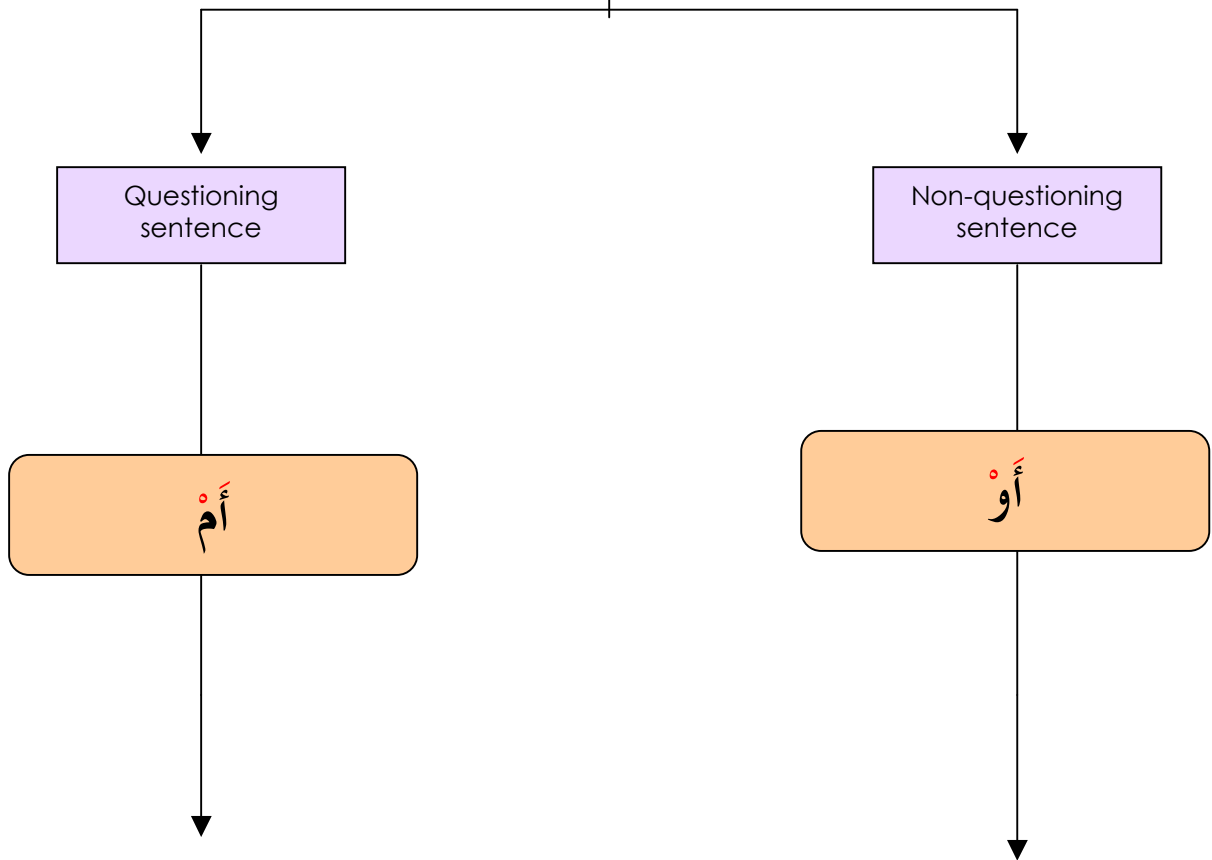


Or

In Arabic both **أَو** and **أَم** have the same meaning, they both mean 'or'. However there is a

difference in the way that they are used. **أَم** is used in a questioning sentence, where as **أَو** is used in a non-questioning sentence.

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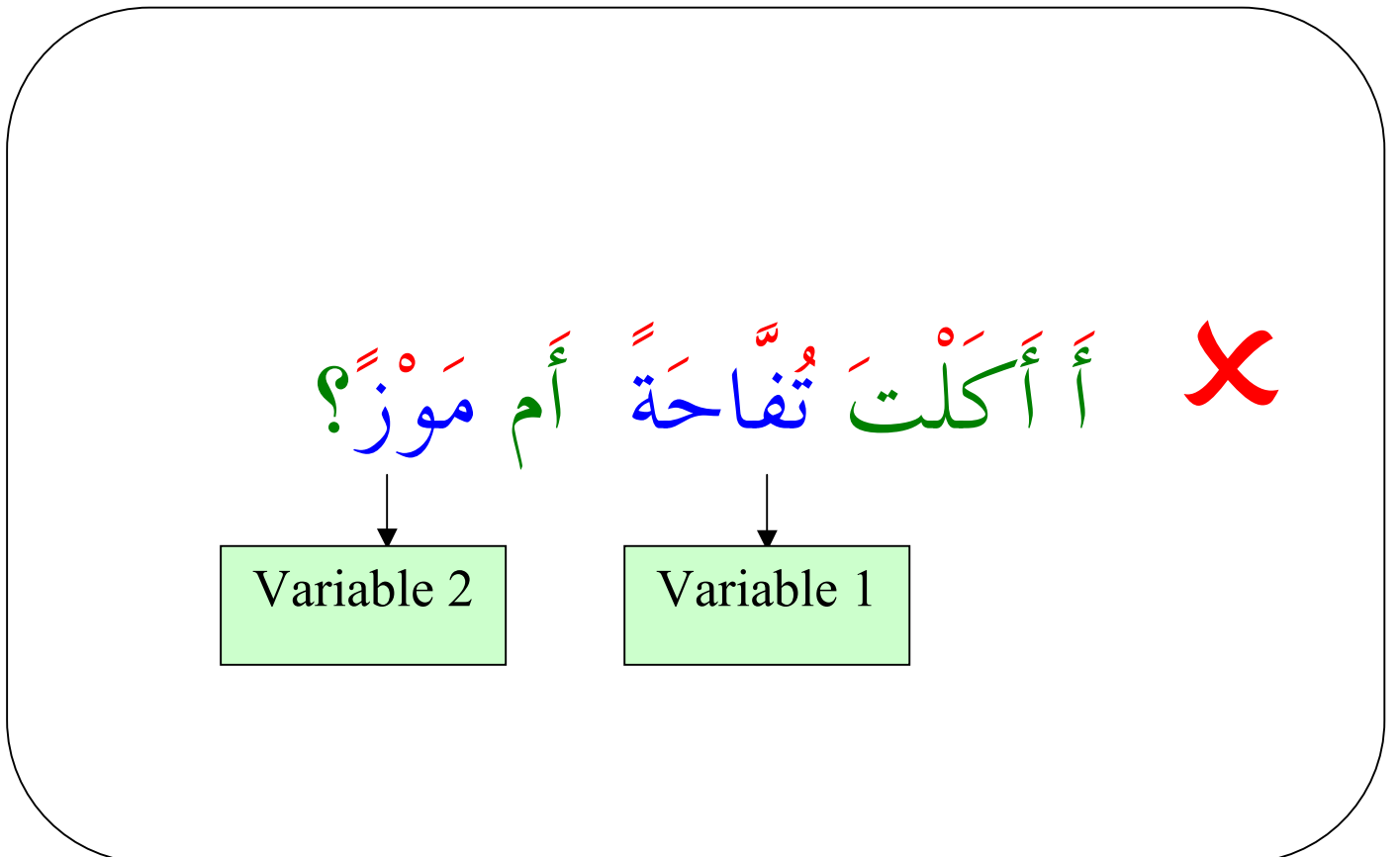
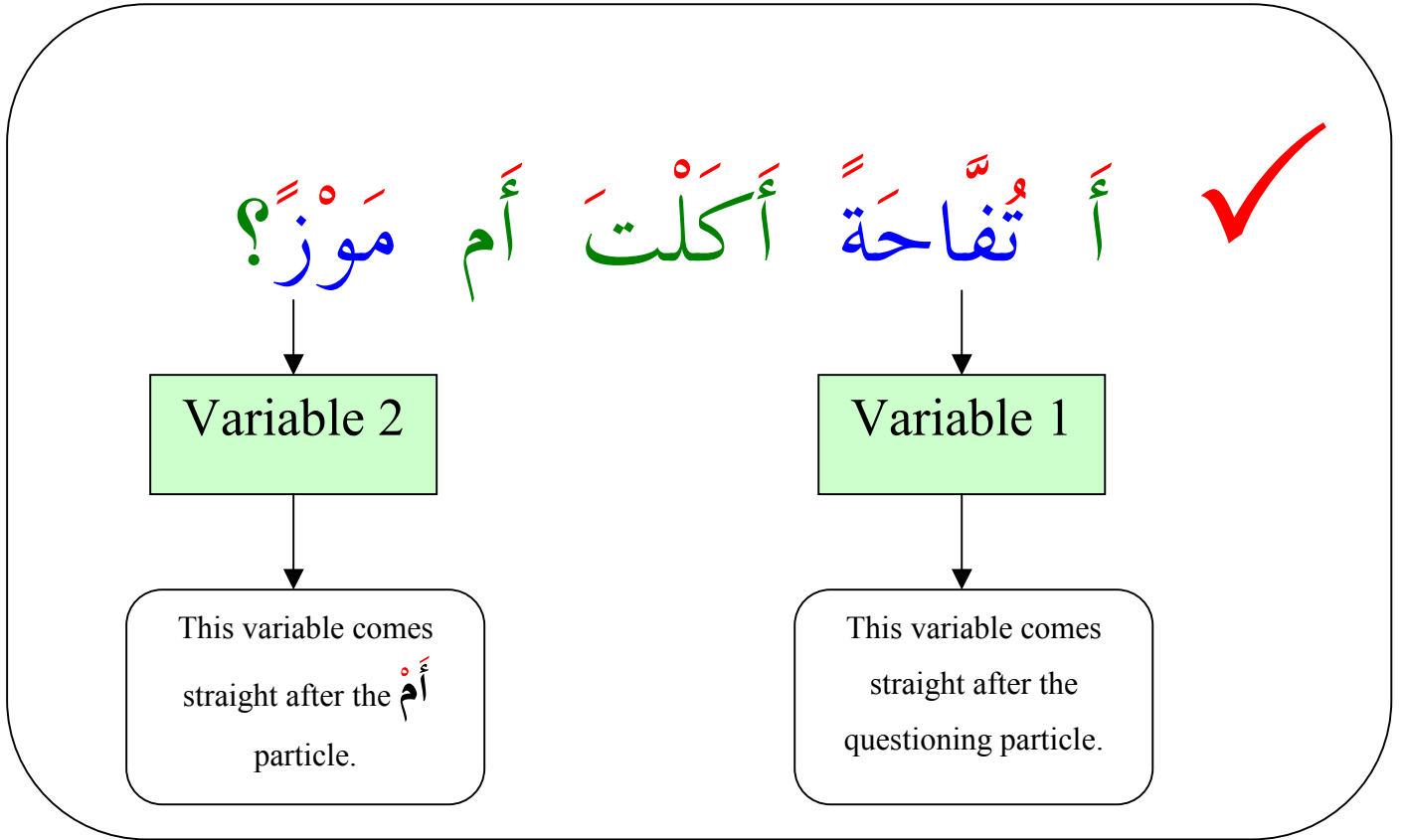
Is this your uncle or your brother?

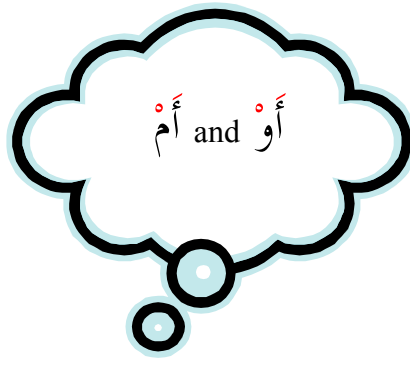
أَخَالِكَ هَذَا أَمَ أَخُوكَ؟

She memorised half of the quran or more

حَفِظَتْ نِصْفَ الْقُرْآنِ أَوْ أَكْثَرَ

أُم is constructed with two variables. These variables have a certain positioning, to put them in other than its particular positioning, would be incorrect.





Form 10 sentences in Arabic using أم and أو

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أَوْ is not used in a questioning sentence.



Match the following sentences to the Arabic equivalents.

1. Take this or that

رَأَيْتُ قِطًّا أَوْ كَلْبًا فِي الشَّارِعِ

2. Eat the apple or banana o Muhammad!

اجْلِسْ هُنَا أَوْ هُنَاكَ!

3. I saw a cat or dog in the street.

كُلُّ التُّفَاحَةِ أَوْ المَوْزِ يَا مُحَمَّدًا!

4. I want to go to Yemen or Saudi in the summer holiday.

اقْتُلْهُ بِحَجَرٍ أَوْ بِعَصَا!

5. Kill it with a stone or stick!

مَا أَقُولُ لَكَ أَوْ أَبُوكَ هُوَ الْحَقُّ

6. I think he has 3 or 4 wives maa shaa allah.

أُرِيدُ الذَّهَابَ إِلَى الْيَمَنِ أَوْ السُّعُودِيَّةِ فِي عَطَلَةِ الصَّيْفِ

7. What I say or your father says, it is the truth.

خُذْ هَذَا أَوْ ذَلِكَ

8. Sit here or there!

أُظَنُّ أَنَّ لَهُ ثَلَاثَ أَوْ أَرْبَعَ زَوَاجَاتٍ مَا شَاءَ اللهُ

أَم is used in a questioning sentence.



Match the following sentences to the Arabic equivalents.

1. Did you go to the market or the mosque?

أَ رَسَبْتَ أُخْتُكَ فِي الإِمْتِحَانِ أَمْ نَجَحْتَ؟

2. Did you eat the apple or banana?

أَ قَبْلَ أُسْبُوعٍ مَاتَ قِطُّكَ أَمْ قَبْلَ شَهْرٍ؟

3. Is this Khaalid or Abdullah?

أَ مَكْتَبَةُ المَدْرَسَةِ هَذِهِ أَمْ أَبِيهَا؟

4. Did your cat die a week ago or a month ago?

أَ إِلَى السُّوقِ ذَهَبْتَ أَمْ إِلَى المَسْجِدِ؟

5. Did your sister fail or pass in the exam?

أَ خَالِدٌ هَذَا أَمْ عَبْدُ اللهِ؟

6. Is this teacher's library or her father's?

أَلْتَفَاحَةُ أَكَلْتَ أَمْ المَوْزِ؟

7. Did the shaykh say this or did the imaam?

أَ نَصَارَى هُمْ أَمْ يَهُودٌ؟

8. Are they Jews or are they Christians?

أَلشَّيْخُ قَالَ هَذَا أَمْ الإِمَامُ؟



Help Muhammad translate the following text, in the empty box which follows. He

seems to find it difficult to know whether to put **أُم** or **أَوْ**!

Take this Ahmad or that but please hurry. Ok ustadaadh but is this for the student or the teacher? It is for the teacher.

(Ahmad returns after an hour or two and asks the teacher)

Where is my book o teacher? Look on the chair or in the desk, I think I may have placed it there.

Ahmad returns and sits down in his seat. Ustaadh did you go to India last week or Pakistan; I forgot what you mentioned. And I heard that your sister or brother is ill, is this true?

Yes Ahmad, indeed my brother is very ill. The doctors said he was about to die. Alhamdullilah he is better than before! May Allah cure him.

So ustaadh, what are we going to study today, the Arabic language or fiqh? Today we will study the Arabic language, in shaa Allah.

Yunus enters, Ustaadh come quick I saw a snake. A snake?!? Where?? Yes, ustaadh a snake, and I think it is the library now, or in the playground. Quickly come and bring a stick or a stone.....  
Lets kill it!!!

...Ustaadh there is one slight problem. Who is going to kill it? You or I !!!!!?

