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Analysis Of The Use Of Adverbial Tenses In The Language Of The Arabic Press

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Abstract: This research provides a linguistic analysis of adverbial tense usage in the Arabic press, focusing on the grammatical and semantic functions of adverbial modifiers within journalistic discourse. Using textual materials from the UAE newspaper Al-Ittihad on economic and sports topics, the study explores how adverbial expressions of time—particularly those in the accusative case and with prepositions—contribute to the temporal and aspectual structure of Arabic sentences. Through a detailed morphological, syntactic, and semantic examination, the research identifies the most frequent adverbial constructions such as *خلال في*, *حتى*, and *امس*, highlighting their grammatical flexibility and contextual significance. The study reveals that these temporal expressions not only establish chronological sequencing but also reflect stylistic features characteristic of Arabic media language. Statistical analysis indicates that adverbial modifiers in the accusative case with prepositions dominate in frequency, underscoring the syntactic economy and expressive precision of Arabic journalistic style. The research contributes to the understanding of Arabic linguistic structures and their pragmatic use in the press, offering comparative insights for further study of Arabic-Uzbek linguistic parallels in temporal expression.

Keywords: Adverbial tense; Arabic grammar; accusative case; prepositional phrase; circumstantial tenses; Arabic press; syntax; semantics; temporal expression; linguistic analysis; Al-Ittihad newspaper; morphosyntax; journalistic Arabic; time adverbs; discourse analysis.

Introduction: To study the use of Arabic circumstantial tenses in the press, we selected texts from the UAE newspaper Al-Ittihad on economic and sports topics. We conducted a semantic and statistical analysis of the

verb tenses used in texts on these topics, to the extent possible.

As noted above, circumstantial tenses are used in the accusative case or in the accusative case with prepositions.

Here is an example of the accusative case:

و قال جمعة القبيسي، نائب المدير العام لهيئة أبوظبي للثقافة و التراث
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لشؤون "دار الكتب الوطنية" و عضو مجلس أمناء الجائزة، اليوم إن
مكتب الجائزة الإداري بدأ في تلقي الأعمال المرشحة في فروع الجائزة
التسعة.

Juma Al Qubaisi, Deputy Director General of Heritage and Culture in Abu Dhabi for the National Book Authority and the Awards Department, announced today that the Awards Department will announce competitions in nine categories.

In this sentence, the Arabic word "today" is used in the accusative case. Here's another example:

و أوضح أن دور الجائزة و إنتشارها يتعاظم عاما بعد عام منذ
تأسيسها في العام 2006 و هو ما دفعنا إلى التحول إلى العالمية.

He emphasized that the status and implementation of this award have grown significantly year after year since its establishment in 2006, and this motivates us to reach the global level.

In the example sentence "عاما بعد عام" the adverb of time is used in the accusative case, and the adverb of time is used in the accusative case with a preposition. This construction indicates an adverb of time. The second tense in this sentence, namely "منذ تأسيسها في العام 2006" is used to indicate and clarify the initial time.

It is known that when حتى stands before nouns, it means "until..." and governs the word that follows it in the accusative case. An example of this case:

أعلنت الامانة العامة لـ "جائزة الشيخ زايد العالمية للكتاب"، عن فتح
باب الترشح للدورة السادسة بداية من الشهر الجاري و حتى الاول من
سبتمبر المقبل.

The General Secretariat of the Sheikh Zayed Award for Writers has announced that it will accept applications from seven countries from the beginning of this month until the beginning of September next year.

There are also cases where the preposition خلال — "during" — is used in press texts, for example:

أضيفت صفة العالمية لاسم الجائزة، موضحا أن "الجائزة أصبحت
عالمية بعد أن حققت نجاحات متسارعة على المستويات العربية و الاقليمية
و الدولية خلال الاعوام الخمسة الماضية".

The title of the Prize is supplemented with the notation "global", which means that "the Prize has become 'global' after rapidly gaining recognition at the Arab, regional and national levels over the past five years."

و أضاف: "تزايد الدعم الرسمي و الجماهيري للجائزة خلال السنوات
الماضية، متمثلا بعدد كبير للترشيحات، بلغ 715 ترشيحا في دورة الجائزة
الاخير، و جمع أعمالا من مختلف الدور الاوروبية و شرق اسيا، و حتى
القارة الاسترالية، ما يدل على نجاح الجائزة في التواصل الابداعي بين
الحضارات".

In recent years, official and unofficial support for the award has also increased, as evidenced by the large number of candidates. At the time of the last awards ceremony, 715 candidates participated, and works were accepted from various countries in Europe, East Asia, and even Australia, demonstrating the award's achievement in strengthening international relations.
و تعزز "اتصالات" إطلاق 3 خدمات خلال العام الحالي.

Communications has decided to launch services in three areas this year.

و أكد ان خدمات قطاع الاعمال ساهمت في مضاعفة مشتركي
خدمات الهواتف الذكية "البلاك بيري" و "الايفون" خلال الاشهر الاولى من
العام الحالي.

He emphasized that business unit services took part in the integration of Blackberry and iPhone mobile communications services in the first months of this year.

In these examples, the preposition "خلال" is followed by a compound word with the definite article.

The adverbial modifier of time with the preposition "في" was also studied in texts, for example:

بهدف قاتل في الثواني الاخيرة من المباراة منتخب الناشئين يتأهل
لربع نهائي اسيا و يلتقي نظيره السعودي الاحد القادم.

A goal scored in the dying seconds of the game sent the youth team into the quarter-finals of the Asian Championship, where they will face their peers from Saudi Arabia next Sunday.

The Arabic word "night" (امس), which always appears in the accusative case without a definite article and which Arabic grammarians include in nouns that are invariant for case, is often encountered in the press. Here's an example:

فجر منتخب الناشئين الوطني لكرة القدم مفاجأة من العيار الثقيل تغلب
على نظيره المنتخب الياباني بهدف في المباراة التي جمعتهم مساء
امس بالعاصمة الاوزبكية طشقند.

The national youth football team withstood a tough test, defeating their Japanese counterparts 2-1 in a match that took place yesterday evening in Tashkent,

the capital of Uzbekistan.

In this example, the cases امس - "yesterday" and مساء - "night" are used together to indicate time.

When analyzing the adverbial tenses used in the press, it should be noted that complex constructions expressing this tense are more common. These constructions represent late and initial tenses of action in Uzbek, as well as definite and continuous tenses according to B.M. Grande's classification. The adverbial tense of action in general, expressing time, is also used.

A statistical analysis of the adverbial tense used in selected economic and sports texts in the Al-Ittihad newspaper yielded the following results:

CONCLUSION

Morphologically, these texts used 15 adverbial modifiers of time, expressed in the accusative and indefinite cases. The adverbial modifier of time in the accusative case with prepositions was used in twenty cases. It should be noted that the prepositions في and خلال were used more often in the accusative case with prepositions. Twelve words expressing the adverbial modifier of time were identified in these texts. Furthermore, the adverbial modifier امس was frequently used in Arabic texts.

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