

Verse (7:172), Word 13 - Quranic Grammar

The thirteenth word of verse (7:172) is divided into 3 morphological segments. An interrogative *alif*, verb and subject pronoun. The prefixed *alif* is an interrogative particle used to form a question and is usually translated as "is", "are", or "do". The perfect verb (فعل ماضٍ) is first person singular. The verb's trilateral root is *lām yā sīn* (ل ي س). The verb (لس) belongs to a special group of words known as *kāna* and her sisters (كان واخواتها). The suffix (التاء) is an attached subject pronoun.

Chapter (7) sūrat l-a' rāf (The Heights)

(7:172:13)

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"Am I not



INTG – prefixed interrogative *alif*

V – 1st person singular perfect verb

PRON – subject pronoun

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فعل ماضٍ من اخوات «كان» والتاء ضمير متصل في محل رفع اسم «لس»

Verse (7:172)

The analysis above refers to the 172nd verse of chapter 7 (*sūrat l-a' rāf*):

وَإِذْ أَخَذَ رَبُّكَ مِنْ بَنِي آدَمَ مِنْ ظُهُورِهِمْ ذُرِّيَّتَهُمْ وَأَشْهَدَهُمْ عَلَىٰ أَنفُسِهِمْ أَلَسْتُ بِرَبِّكُمْ
قَالُوا بَلَىٰ شَهِدْنَا أَن تَقُولُوا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ إِنَّا كُنَّا عَنْ هَذَا غَافِلِينَ ﴿١٧٢﴾

Sahih International: And [mention] when your Lord took from the children of Adam - from their loins - their descendants and made them testify of themselves, [saying to them], "Am I not your Lord?" They said, "Yes, we have testified." [This] - lest you should say on the day of Resurrection, "Indeed, we were of this unaware."

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