

Computer Classes for Arabic Language Speakers

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I received Arabic e-mail from my friend but I don't see what looks like Arabic text but rather a lot of strange Latin characters!!

A: If you cannot read Arabic email or text attachment, please follow the steps below:

At Library computer: On the **View** menu in Internet Explorer, point to **Encoding**, and then click on Arabic (windows)

At home computer: On the **View** menu in Internet Explorer, point to **Encoding**, and then make sure

Auto-Select has a check mark. If it doesn't, select it.

If you are prompted to download language support components, click **Download**.

If Auto-Select cannot determine the correct language encoding, and you know what language encoding it should be, you can manually select it.

To select the language encoding for a Web page

On the **View** menu, point to **Encoding**, point to **More**, and then click the appropriate language.

If you are prompted to download language support components, click **Download**.

Q: We are unable to copy and paste using the right click on the mouse.

A: Yes, on the public library PCs, customers cannot use the right click. Please use the **edit option** on the tool bar across the top of the screen.

Q: since we don't have Arabic keyboard at the library, can we type the e-mail in Arabic using yahoo or hotmail without using Arabic keyboard?

A: Yes; to type in Arabic using Arabic characters:

Go to

<http://www.neelwafurat.com/index.aspx>

لوحة المفاتيح العربية

Click on the لوحة المفاتيح العربية (top right)

Use the mouse to type in Arabic, then copy and paste the text to your yahoo mail or hotmail.

Q: Students want to learn basic Microsoft word, can we teach them?

A: Yes, Al-Bawaba classes is free internet and computer classes for beginning levels

Q: We cannot download pictures or files onto the C drive.

A: Pictures and files cannot be downloaded onto the public-use library PCs . In order to download files from the internet please bring floppy disk, CD-R or CD–RW ([SDCL CD burner instructions](#)) or USB drive.

Also to practice how to download pictures and files with your student, you can save files to the CD Burner Buffer- located on the desktop of the computer.