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Chapter 3

Forms and Divisions of the Quran:

- Sign or mark (*ayah*)
  
- Chapters (*surahs*) - 114 total in the Quran. *Surah Baqarah* is the longest chapter with 286 verses; *Surahs Al-Asir, Al-Masad and Al-Kawthar* are the shortest ones with only 3 verses each.
  
- Part (*juza'*), 30 parts
  
- Half-part (*hizb*), one half of a part (*juza'*).
  
- The Prophet Muhammad (*sal Allahu `alayhi wa sallam*) with the guidance of Angel Jibril (*`alayhi wa salaam*) determined the name and final order of each Surah.
  
- The Quran is the Holy Word of Allah and was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad (*sal Allahu `alayhi wa sallam*) in the Arabic language.
  
- Why in Arabic?