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## A) COURT — المحكمة

### Court (Definition)

#### English:

A court is an organization that applies the law. It has judges and staff who solve legal problems and make legal decisions.

#### الترجمة العربية

المحكمة هي مؤسسة تطبق القانون، وتتكون من قضاة وموظفين يقومون بحل المشكلات القانونية وإصدار القرارات القضائية.

- Law — قانون
- Judges — قضاة
- Decisions — قرارات

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### Types of Courts — أنواع المحاكم

#### 1. Court of Cassation — محكمة التمييز / النقض

#### English:

The highest appeal court. It does **not** review the facts, only checks if the law was applied correctly.

#### الترجمة العربية

هي أعلى محكمة للطعن، ولا تعيد دراسة الواقع، بل تتحقق فقط من تطبيق القانون بشكل صحيح.

- Appeal — استئناف
- Law — قانون
- Review — مراجعة

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#### 2. Court of Appeals — محكمة الاستئناف

#### English:

A court that reviews decisions made by lower courts to check if they were correct.

#### الترجمة العربية

هي المحكمة التي تراجع قرارات المحاكم الأدنى لتأكد من صحتها.

- Higher court — محكمة أعلى
- Decision — قرار
- Review — مراجعة

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#### 3. Personal Status Law of Iraq — قانون الأحوال الشخصية العراقي

#### English:

This law covers **marriage, divorce, child custody**, etc. Proposed changes may move these issues from civil courts to religious authorities, which can affect individual rights.

يشمل هذا القانون الزواج والطلاق وحضانة الأطفال وغيرها. التعديلات المقترحة قد تنقل هذه الأمور من المحاكم المدنية إلى الجهات الدينية، مما قد يؤثر على الحقوق الفردية.

- Marriage — زواج
- Divorce — طلاق
- Custody — حضانة

### Exercise 1: Tick (✓) the Correct Answer

Choose the correct answer.

1. A court is an organization that:
  - applies the law
  - writes novels
  - teaches languages
2. Judges work in:
  - hospitals
  - courts
  - schools
3. The Court of Cassation:
  - reviews facts again
  - checks if the law was applied correctly
  - makes new laws
4. The Court of Appeals:
  - is lower than all courts
  - reviews decisions of lower courts
  - applies religious rules only

#### Correct Answers

1. applies the law
2. courts
3. checks if the law was applied correctly
4. reviews decisions of lower courts

#### Correct Answers — Matching

1. Court → b) Organization that applies the law
2. Judge → c) Person who applies the law
3. Decision → a) Decision made by a judge
4. Appeal → d) Request to review a court decision

### Exercise 2: Matching

Match the words in Column A with their meanings in Column B.

#### Column A

1. Court
2. Judge
3. Decision

#### Column B

- a) Decision made by a judge
- b) Organization that applies the law
- c) Person who applies the law

**Column A**

4. Appeal  d) Request to review a court decision

**Column B****Exercise 3: Word Order**

**Put the words in the correct order to make a sentence.**

1. law / applies / court / the  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
2. reviews / court / appeals / decisions / the  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
3. highest / cassation / court / the / is  
→ \_\_\_\_\_

**Exercise 4: Fill in the Blanks**

**Use the words below to complete the sentences.**

(*law – judges – decisions – appeal*)

1. Courts apply the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ work in courts.
3. Courts make legal \_\_\_\_\_.
4. An \_\_\_\_\_ is a request to review a decision.

**Suggested answers:**

1. The court applies the law.
2. The Court of Appeals reviews decisions.
3. The Court of Cassation is the highest court.

**Exercise 5: Short Answer**

**Answer briefly.**

1. What does the Court of Cassation check?  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
2. What does the Court of Appeals do?  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
3. What issues does the Personal Status Law of Iraq cover?  
→ \_\_\_\_\_

**Answers — Fill in the Blanks**

1. Courts apply the **law**.
2. **Judges** work in courts.
3. Courts make legal **decisions**.
4. An **appeal** is a request to review a decision.

**Exercise 5: Short Answer — Answers**

1. **What does the Court of Cassation check?**  
→ It checks whether the law was applied correctly in lower court decisions.
2. **What does the Court of Appeals do?**  
→ It reviews decisions made by lower courts to ensure they are correct.
3. **What issues does the Personal Status Law of Iraq cover?**  
→ It covers marriage, divorce, child custody, and related personal matters.