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## List of Abbreviations

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### Glosses

1	First person
2	Second person
3	Third person
CONJ	Conjunction
DEM	Demonstrative
DET	Determiner
DO	Direct Object
F	Feminine
FUT	Future marker
IMP	Imperative
M	Masculine
NEG	Negation
OBJ	Object
PRE	Preposition
PL	Plural
POS	Possessive
Q	Interrogative marker
REL	Relative marker
SG	Singular

### Arabic Varieties

EA	Egyptian Arabic
ESA	Educated spoken Arabic
FA	Faifi Arabic
HA	Hijazi Arabic
KA	Kuwaiti Arabic
QA	Qassimi Arabic
RA	Riyadh Arabic
SA	Standard Arabic
WD	White Dialect



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