

Papyrus no: A 1106

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: 13 cm. x 18 cm. Small *lacuna* in the middle. Writing on one side only. Written in black ink, 7 lines, at right angles to the fibres.

Text:

Script

Final 'alif extends below the connecting stroke.

Content

Fragment of a letter. The writer refers to the conduct of the the affairs of the addressee: [] لتصدى فى امورك وجرى ما صح فى [] 'for application in your affairs and correct conduct in ...'

Papyrus no: A 1108

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: Two pieces. 7.5 cm. x 14.5 cm, 12.5 cm. x 14.5 cm. Writing on both sides. Recto, written in black ink, 4 + 7 lines. Verso, written in black ink, 1 + 1 lines. The papyrus pieces were cut from a larger sheet. The script on the recto is written at parallel to the fibres. The script on the verso, written at right angles to the fibres, is the remainder of the text from the original sheet.

Text:

RECTO

Script

Final 'alif does not extend below the connecting stroke. The tail of final $y\bar{a}$ ' extends backwards.

Content

Fragment of a letter. Some phrases are crossed through.

VERSO

Script

Large script with wide spaces between lines. The tail of final $y\bar{a}$ ' extends backwards.

Content

Formal letter. Includes part of a petition formula: ... فرايك

Papyrus no: A 1171

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: 17.5 cm. x 17.5 cm. Writing on both sides. Recto, written in black ink, 13 lines. Verso, written in black ink, 12 lines. The script on the recto is written at right angles to the fibres and on the verso parallel to the fibres, upside down relative to the script on the recto.

Text:

RECTO

Script

Final *'alif* extends below the connecting stroke. *Dāl* approximates to a straight stroke.

Content

Letter. Right side is missing. Refers to the hire of something from a certain 'Abū Maymūn and also a commercial transaction involving 9 *qirāts*.

VERSO

Content

Continuation of letter on recto. Text missing on left side. Refers to commercial transactions. The writer is worried concerning a *ḥabs* (which may refer to a pious foundation).

Papyrus no: A 1172

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: 13 cm. x 11.5 cm. Writing on both sides. Recto, written in black ink, 7 lines. Verso, written in black ink, 4 lines. The script on the recto is written at right angles to the fibres and on the verso parallel to the fibres.

Text:

RECTO

Script

Final *'alif* extends below the connecting stroke. *Dāl* approximates to a straight stroke.

Content

Letter. A petition to a dignitary named 'Abū al-Qāsim. Left side missing. Text opens after *basmala*: يا سيدى اطال الله بقاءك and closes with same formula. The writer refers to a monthly income: ما صار الى في هذا الشهر.

VERSO

Script

Final *'alif* extends below the connecting stroke. *Šīn* is written without teeth.

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Content

A short note, apparently an endorsement replying to the letter on recto, given instructions for the writer's request to be granted. Also traces of the address of the letter on the recto: [أبى القسم اطال الله بقاءه]

Papyrus no: A 1185

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: 12.5 cm. x 14 cm. Small *lacuna* in the middle. Writing on both sides. Recto, written in black ink, 10 lines. Verso, written in black ink, 2 lines. The script on the recto is written at right angles to the fibres and on the verso parallel to the fibres.

Text:

RECTO

Script

Final *'alif* extends below the connecting stroke.

Content

Letter. Text opens after *basmala*: [اتم] نعمه عليك وزاد في احسانه اليك Concerns financial transactions, referring to dirhams and dīnārs and a certain 'Abū al-'Abbās.

VERSO

Content

Address of letter on recto: ... لا بى الحسن اكرمه الله ...

Papyrus no. A 1194, 1195 SEE JILL

Papyrus no: A1194

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: 12 cm. x 10 cm. Small *lacunae* in the middle. Writing on both sides. Recto, written in black ink, 6 lines, at right angles to the fibres. Verso, written in black ink, 11 lines, parallel to the fibres.

Text:

RECTO

Script

Final 'alif extends below the connecting stroke. *Dāl/dāl* approximates to a straight line. *Sin/sin* is written without teeth.

Content

Fragment of a letter. The extant portion mainly contains requests to convey greetings to various people.

VERSO

Script

No Arabic script is used.

Content

Lists of Greek numerals arranged horizontally.

Papyrus no: A1195

Date: 3rd century A.H./9th century A.D.

Physical description: 9.5 cm. x 8.5 cm. Writing on both sides. Recto, written in black ink, 4 lines, at right angles to the fibres. Verso, written in black ink, 9 lines, parallel to the fibres.

Text:

RECTO

Script

Final 'alif extends below the connecting stroke. *Dāl/dāl* approximates to a straight line. *Sīn/sīn* is written without teeth.

Content

Fragment of same letter as A1194. The extant portion contains a request for the addressee to write to the sender. Note the orthography: واكتب اليا

VERSO

Script

No Arabic script is used.

Content

Lists of Greek numerals arranged horizontally.