

نَعْمَةٌ VS. نَعْمَةٌ

نَعْمَةٌ and نَعْمَةٌ both mean 'blessing'. However, one is written with a fatha َ at the beginning of the word and the other is written with a kasrah ِ at the beginning of the word. So, why the difference in spelling and usage?

If we look at the contexts of the passages these two words come in we will see a difference.

نَعْمَةٌ is mentioned twice in the Quran.

First in Surah Ad-Dukhaan and the second in Surah Al-Muzammil.

Each time it is mentioned it is in a context where punishment, evil, or something bad is being mentioned.

نِعْمَةٌ comes many times in the Quran and each time it is in a context talking about that which is good.

نِعْمَةٌ

Surah Ad-Dukhaan Ayah's 25-29

كَمْ تَرَكُوا مِنْ جَنَّاتٍ وَعُيُونٍ ﴿٢٥﴾

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How much they left behind of gardens and springs

[Surah Ad-Dukhaan Ayah 25]

وَزُرُوعٍ وَمَقَامٍ كَرِيمٍ ﴿٢٦﴾

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And crops and noble sites

[Surah Ad-Dukhaan Ayah 26]

وَنِعْمَةٍ كَانُوا فِيهَا فَاكِهِينَ ﴿٢٧﴾

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And comfort wherein they were amused.

[Surah Ad-Dukhaan Ayah 27]

كَذٰلِكَ ۖ وَأَوْرَثْنٰهَا قَوْمًا ۤآخَرِيْنَ ﴿٢٨﴾

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Thus. And We caused to inherit it another people.

[Surah Ad-Dukhaan Ayah 28]

فَمَا بَكَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّمَاءُ وَالْأَرْضُ وَمَا كَانُوا مُنظَرِينَ ﴿٢٩﴾

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And the heaven and earth wept not for them, nor were they reprieved.

[Surah Ad-Dukhaan Ayah 29]

Surah Al Muzammil Ayah 11

وَذَرْنِي وَالْمُكَذِّبِينَ أُولِيَ النَّعْمَةِ وَمَهَلْهُمْ قَلِيلًا ﴿١١﴾

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And leave Me with [the matter of] the deniers, those of ease [in life], and allow them respite a little.

نِعْمَةٌ

وَإِنْ تَعُدُّوا نِعْمَةَ اللَّهِ لَا تُحْصُوهَا إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَغَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴿١٨﴾

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And if you should count the favours of Allah , you could not enumerate them. Indeed, Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.

[Surah An-Nahl Ayah 18]

Abu Ezra

أَبُو عَزْرٍ