

# **Prominence and Stress placement in** **Arabic and English Words**

*Prominence:* One of the most important features by which the syllable is recognized is stress. In traditional structuralistic description of the phonology of a language, stress is regarded as a phoneme and stress- placement is stated in terms of "rules" or exception to rules. (1) Trager and Bloch(2), for example, set up with respect to their own pronunciation four stress phoneme: Loud, Reduced Loud, Medical and weak.