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Ру́сский алфави́т Russian alphabet

Capital	Small	Handwriting	Name	IPA	English example
A	a	$\mathcal{A}\alpha$	a [a]	/a/	a in rather
Б	б	To T	бэ [bε]	/b/ or /b ^j /	b in hit
В	В	BE	вэ [vɛ]	$/v/$ or $/v^{j}/$	v in veal
Γ	Γ	$\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{I}}$	гэ [дε]	/g/	g in get, or h in hat
Д	Д	$\mathcal{D}g$	дэ [dɛ]	/d/ or /d ^j /	d in do
Е	e	Ee	e [je]	/je/ or / ^j e/	ye in yet
Ë	ë	Ëë	ë [jo]	/jo/ or / ^j o/	yo in york
Ж	Ж	Mesic	жэ [ҳɛ]	/z/	g in genre, s in pleasure
3	3	3z	39 [zɛ]	$/z/$ or $/z^{j}/$	z in zoo
И	И	Uu	и [i]	/i/ or / ^j i/	e in me
Й	й	Ŭŭ	и краткое	/j/	y in yes
К	К	KR	ка [ka]	/k/ or /k ^j /	k in kitchen
Л	Л	Su	эл [el]	/l/ or /l ^j /	l in lock
M	M	Min	эм [εт]	/m/ or /m ^j /	m in mat
Н	Н	Hu	эн [ɛn]	/n/ or /n ^j /	n in not
0	o	Oo	o [o]	/o/	o in more
П	П	Th	пэ [рε]	/p/ or /p ^j /	p in put

P	p	Zp	эр [ɛr]	/r/ or /r ⁱ /	rolled r
С	С	Cc	эс [ɛs]	/s/ or /s ^j /	s in sea
T	Т	IIIm	τэ [tε]	/t/ or /t ^j /	t in top
У	у	Yy .	y [u]	/u/	oo in foot
Ф	ф	Lgp	эф [ɛf]	/f/ or /f ⁱ /	f in fate
X	X	\mathcal{X}_{∞}	xa [xa]	/x/	like h in harp
Ц	ц	Yy	це [t͡sɛ]	/t͡s/	ts in meets
Ч	Ч	Yr	че [t͡ɕe]	/t͡ɕ/	ch in chess
Ш	Ш	Uliu	ша [ʃа]	/\$/	similar to the sh in shop
Щ	щ	Ujuj	ща [¢¢а]	/¢/	similar to the sh in shake
Ъ	ъ	To	твёрдый знак	puts a distinct /j/ sound in front of the following iotified vowels	
Ы	Ы	bloi	ы [i]	[i]	like i in Billy
Ь	Ь	Ьь	мягкий знак	/ ⁱ /	slightly palatalises the preceding consonant
Э	Э	Ээ	э [ε]	/e/	e in met
Ю	Ю	99 1010 Isa	ю [ju]	/ju/ or / ^j u/	u in use
Я	Я	Яa	я [ja]	/ja/ or / ^j a/	ya in yard

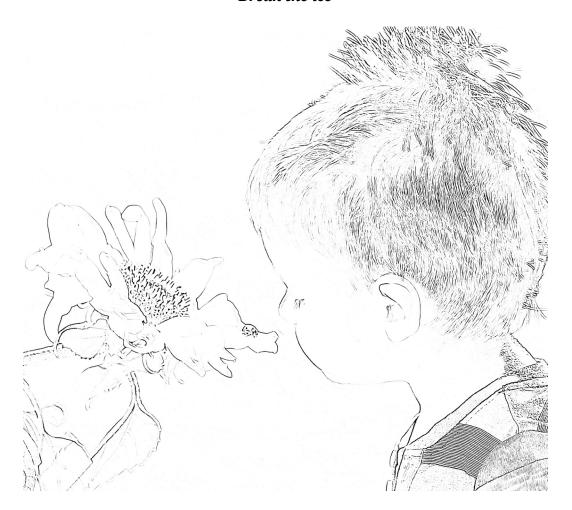
How to control the playing speed

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Pастопи́ лёд Break the ice



«Ма́ма, я сего́дня был сме́лый! - говори́т ма́ленький ма́льчик свое́й ма́ме. - Я смотре́л на большо́го живо́го жука́ и не убежа́л!»

"Mom, I was brave today!" a little boy says to his mom. "I was looking at a big, live bug and I did not run away!"



Ку́хня

The kitchen

A

Слова́

- 1. аккура́тный careful
- 2. бе́гать to run
- 3. бéлый white
- 4. блéндер blender
- 5. большой big
- 6. в in
- 7. ви́лка fork
- 8. висеть to hang
- 9. водá water
- 10. во́зле near
- 11. га́зовый gas (adj.)
- 12. где where

- 13. го́род city
- 14. гря́зный dirty
- 15. да yes
- 16. дверь door
- 17. деревя́нный wooden
- 18. для for
- 19. дом house
- 20. до́ма at home
- 21. есть there is, there are
- 22. жёлтый yellow
- 23. за behind, for
- 24. заходи́ть to go into

- 25. зелёный green
- 26. и and
- 27. из from, out of
- 28. и́ли or
- 29. карти́на picture
- 30. кора́бль ship
- 31. кот саt
- 32. кофева́рка coffeemaker
- 33. краси́вый pretty, beautiful
- 34. кра́сная red
- 35. крýглый round
- 36. кры́ша roof
- 37. ку́рица chicken
- 38. ку́хня kitchen
- 39. кýхонный kitchen (adj.)
- 40. ло́жка spoon
- 41. лю́стра chandelier
- 42. ма́ленький small
- 43. металли́ческий metal (adj.)
- 44. ми́ксер mixer
- 45. мо́йка washer, washing
- 46. мо́ре sea
- 47. мы we
- 48. на on
- 49. над on top of, over, above
- 50. напротив in front of
- 51. находи́ться to be (located)
- 52. нет no; there isn't, there aren't

- 53. но́вый new
- 54. окно window
- 55. он/она́/оно́ he/she/it
- 56. пить to drink
- 57. плитá stove
- 58. посу́да dishes
- 59. потоло́к ceiling
- 60. просто́рный spacious
- 61. ра́ковина sink
- 62. рези́новый rubber (adj.)
- 63. ру́чка handle
- 64. ры́ба fish
- 65. c with
- 66. caд garden
- 67. салфе́тка napkin
- 68. свéтлый light (adj.)
- 69. се́рый gray
- 70. скáтерть tablecloth
- 71. сле́ва on the left
- 72. coбáка dog
- 73. спра́ва on the right
- 74. стака́н glass
- 75. ста́рый old
- 76. стекля́нный glass (adj.)
- 77. стенá wall
- 78. стол table
- 79. стоя́ть to stand
- 80. стул chair

81. cyши́лка - drier

82. таре́лка - plate

83. то́же - also, too

84. топта́ть - to trample

85. то́стер - toaster

86. у́гол - corner

87. удобный - comfortable

88. укра́сть - to steal

89. ýлица - street

90. ую́тный - cozy, comfortable

91. холл - hall

92. холоди́льник - refrigerator

93. хоте́ть - to want

94. цвето́к - flower

95. ча́йник - teapot

96. ча́йный - tea (adj.)

97. ча́шка - сир

98. чи́стый - clean

99. что - what

100. шкаф - cupboard, wardrobe, bookcase

101. э́то - this

В

Это го́род. Он большо́й и краси́вый. Он нахо́дится во́зле мо́ря.

Это у́лица. Она́ в го́роде. У́лица больша́я и чи́стая.

Это дом. Дом нахо́дится на у́лице. Он аккура́тный и краси́вый. Сте́ны бе́лые. Кры́ша кра́сная. Дверь но́вая. Она́ деревя́нная.

Это сад. Сад находится возле дома. Он большой и зелёный. Соба́ка бе́гает за ку́рицей в саду́. Она́ то́пчет цветы́.

Мы захо́дим в дом. Э́то холл. Холл просто́рный и ую́тный.

Справа находится кухня. Кухня

This is a city. It is big and beautiful. It is located near the sea.

This is a street. It is in the city. The street is large and clean.

This is a house. The house is in the street. It is neat and beautiful. The walls are white. The roof is red. The door is new. It is wooden.

This is a garden. The garden is located near the house. It's big and green. A dog is running after a chicken in the garden. It tramples on flowers.

We go into the house. This is a hall. The hall is spacious and comfortable.

больша́я и све́тлая. Сте́ны жёлтые. Потоло́к бе́лый.

На потолкé лю́стра. Онá большáя и краси́вая.

Это стол. Он большой и круглый. На столе́ ска́терть.

Это ми́ксер. Он нахо́дится на столе́. Он удо́бный и ма́ленький.

Это стака́н. Он то́же сто́ит на столе́. Он стекля́нный. Стака́н чи́стый.

Во́зле стола́ стои́т стул. Он деревя́нный. Стул удо́бный.

Это холоди́льник. Он се́рый. Холоди́льник но́вый. Он нахо́дится в углу́. Во́зле холоди́льника кот. Он хо́чет укра́сть ры́бу из холоди́льника.

Это то́стер. Он нахо́дится на холоди́льнике. То́стер ма́ленький и удо́бный.

Это кофева́рка. Она́ нахо́дится во́зле ра́ковины. Кофева́рка гря́зная.

Это блендер. Он то́же на холоди́льнике. Он бе́лый. Блендер ста́рый.

Напротив холоди́льника есть окно́. Оно́ большо́е и чи́стое.

Это кухонная плита. Она находится

The kitchen is on the right. The kitchen is large and bright. The walls are yellow. The ceiling is white.

There is a chandelier on the ceiling. It is big and beautiful.

This is a table. It's big and round. There is a tablecloth on the table.

This is a mixer. It is on the table. It's comfortable and small.

This is a glass. It is also on the table. It is made of glass. The glass is clean.

Near the table there is a chair. It is wooden. The chair is comfortable.

This is a refrigerator. It is gray. The refrigerator is new. It is located in the corner. There is a cat near the refrigerator. He wants to steal fish from the refrigerator.

This is a toaster. It is standing on the refrigerator. The toaster is small and convenient.

This is a coffee maker. It is standing near the sink. The coffee maker is dirty.

This is a blender. It is also on the refrigerator. It is white. The blender is old.

Across from the refrigerator, there is a window. It is large and clean.

возле окна. Она новая и удобная.

Это ча́йник. Он на га́зовой плите́. Он металли́ческий с рези́новой ру́чкой.

Во́зле холоди́льника мо́йка. Сле́ва суши́лка для посу́ды.

Это ку́хонный шкаф. Он виси́т над мо́йкой. Он деревя́нный.

Это салфетка. Она находится в ку́хонном шкафу́. Она ма́ленькая и чи́стая.

Это карти́на. Она́ на стене́. На карти́не мо́ре и кора́бль.

Это ку́хонный стол. Он нахо́дится в углу́. Стол большо́й и деревя́нный.

Э́то ви́лка. Она́ на столе́. Ви́лка металли́ческая. Она́ чи́стая.

Это таре́лка. Она́ нахо́дится на ку́хонном столе́. Таре́лка жёлтая. Она́ ма́ленькая и краси́вая.

Это ча́шка. Ча́шка то́же нахо́дится на ку́хонном столе́. Ча́шка кра́сная. Кот пьёт во́ду из ча́шки.

Это ча́йная ло́жка. Она́ нахо́дится в ча́шке. Ло́жка металли́ческая. Она́ ма́ленькая.

This is a stove. It is located near the window. It is new and convenient

This is a kettle. It is on a gas stove. It is metal with a rubber handle.

Near the refrigerator there is a dishwasher. To the left, there is a dryer for dishes.

This is a cupboard. It hangs over the sink. It is wooden.

This is a napkin. It is in the kitchen cupboard. It's small and clean.

This is a picture. It is on the wall. There is the sea and a ship in the painting.

This is the kitchen table. It is located in the corner. The table is large and wooden.

This is a fork. It is on the table. The fork is metal. It is clean.

This is a dish. It is on the kitchen table. The plate is yellow. It's small and beautiful.

This is a cup. It is also on the kitchen table. The cup is red. A cat drinks water from the cup.

This is a teaspoon. It is located in a cup. The spoon is metal. It's small.



Вопросы и ответы

Questions and Answers

- Где нахо́дится го́род?

- Он нахо́дится во́зле мо́ря.

- Улица большая или маленькая?

- Улица большая.

- Где нахо́дится дом?

- Дом нахо́дится на у́лице.

- Где нахо́дится сад?

- Сад нахо́дится во́зле до́ма.

- Сад большой или маленький?

- Сад большой.

- Холл просторный?

- Да, холл просто́рный.

- Где нахо́дится ку́хня?

- Ку́хня спра́ва.

- Где нахо́дится ми́ксер?

- Ми́ксер на столе́.

- На столе́ есть ска́терть?

- Да, на столе́ ска́терть.

- Что стои́т на столе́?

- На столе́ стои́т стака́н.

- Он грязный?

- Нет, стака́н чи́стый.

- Where is the city?

- It is located near the sea.

- Is the street big or small?

- The street is big.

- Where is the house?

- The house is in the street.

- Where is the garden?

- The garden is located near the house.

- The garden is large or small?

- The garden is large.

- Is the hall spacious?

- Yes, the hall is spacious.

- Where's the kitchen?

- Kitchen is on the right.

- Where is the mixer?

- The mixer on the table.

- Is there a tablecloth on the table?

- Yes, there is a tablecloth on the table.

- What is there on the table?

- There is a glass on the table.

- It is dirty?

- No, the glass is clean.

- Где находится холодильник? - Where's the fridge? - Холоди́льник нахо́дится в углу́. - The refrigerator is in the corner. - Где кот? - Where is the cat? - Кот возле холодильника. - The cat is near the refrigerator. - Где кофева́рка? - Where is coffeemaker? - Кофева́рка во́зле ра́ковины. - The coffeemaker is near the sink. - Кофева́рка чи́стая? - Is the coffeemaker clean? - Нет, она грязная. - No, it's dirty. - Is there a window in the kitchen? В ку́хне есть окно́? - Да, окно напротив - Yes, the window is in front of the холоди́льника. refrigerator. Окно большое? - Is the window large? - Да, оно большое. - Yes, it's large. - Где вилка? - Where is the fork? - Вилка на кухонном столе. - The fork is on the kitchen table. - Таре́лка то́же на ку́хонном - Is the plate also on the kitchen table? столе́? - Yes, a plate is on the kitchen table. - Да, таре́лка на ку́хонном столе́. - Are there napkins in the kitchen? - На ку́хне есть салфе́тки? - Yes, there are napkins in the kitchen cupboard. - Да, салфетки в кухонном шкафу. - На кухне есть чистая чашка? - Is there a clean cup in the kitchen? - Yes, the clean cup is on the table. - Да, чистая чашка на столе. - Is the cup red? Ча́шка кра́сная? - Да, она красная. - Yes, it is red.



Pronunciation

For the most part one Russian letter corresponds to one sound.

Ë is always stressed. **O** is pronounced **a** if unstressed: молоко́ - [малако́] milk.

E is pronounced и if unstressed: ме́неджер - [ме́ниджир] manager.

Ending -го is always pronounced -во: его́ - [ево́] his, him.

When consonants appear at the end of a word, they lose their voice.

б is pronounced like п: клуб - [клуп] club

в is pronounced like ф: Медве́дев - [мидве́деф] Medvedev (a surname)

г is pronounced like к: ма́ркетинг - [ма́ркитинк] marketing

д is pronounced like т: шокола́д - [шакала́т] chocolate

ж is pronounced like ш: ложь - [лош] lie

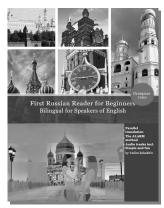
з is pronounced like c: капри́з - [капри́с] caprice



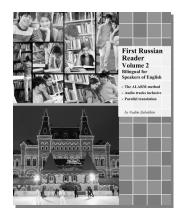
Recommended books

First Russian Reader for Beginners Volume 1 Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary (A1 A2)

There are simple and funny Russian texts for easy reading. The book consists of Beginner and Elementary courses with parallel Russian-English texts. The author maintains readers' motivation with funny stories about real life situations such as meeting people, studying, job searches, working etc. The method utilizes the natural human ability to remember words used in texts repeatedly and systematically. The author composed each sentence using only words explained in previous chapters. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-1







First Russian Reader Volume 2

Bilingual for Speakers of English Elementary (A2)

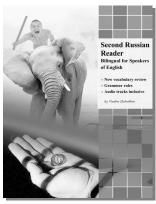
This book is Volume 2 of First Russian Reader for Beginners. There are simple and funny Russian texts for easy reading. The book consists of Elementary course with parallel Russian-English texts. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-2



Second Russian Reader

Bilingual for Speakers of English Elementary Pre-Intermediate (A2 B1)

A private detective is following the girl he is in love with. A former air force pilot, he is discovering some sides in the human nature he can't deal with. New words were incorporated into consequent sentences systematically. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-4







Learn Russian Language Through Dialogue Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary (A1 A2)

The textbook gives you many examples on how questions in Russian should be formed. It is easy to see the difference between Russian and English using parallel translation. Common questions and answers used in everyday situations are explained simply enough even for beginners. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-5



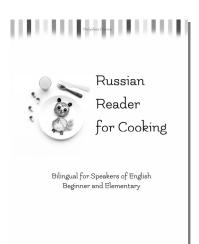
First Russian Medical Reader for Health Professions and Nursing

Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary (A1 A2)

First Russian Medical Reader will give you the words and phrases necessary for helping patients making appointments, informing them of their diagnosis, and their treatment options. Medical specialties range from ENT to dentistry. The method utilizes the natural human ability to remember words used in texts repeatedly and systematically. Supplementary resources include dictionaries, audio tracks, grammar rules and tables, the 1300 important Russian words. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-13









Russian Reader for Cooking Bilingual for Speakers of English

Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary (A1 A2)

When learning a language, familiarity in the subject helps connect one language to another. Recipe directions along with easy questions and answers demonstrate the usage of these words and phrases. Supplementary resources include the Russian/English and English/Russian dictionaries. It might make you hungry or it might help Russian language learners like you improve their understanding in a familiar setting of the kitchen. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-9

First Russian Reader for Tourists Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner (A1)

If you would like to travel and learn Russian at A1 level, this book is a good choice. Unlike a phrasebook, it is composed with the thought of systematic learning approach. Through method used, a person will be able to enhance his or her ability to remember the words that has been incorporated into consequent sentences. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-14









First Russian Reader for Business Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary (A1 A2)

First Russian Reader for Business is a resource that guides conversational bilinguals with the Russian vocabulary, phrases, and questions that are relevant to many situations in the workplace. With 25 chapters on topics from the office to software and supplementary resources including the Russian/English and English/Russian dictionaries, it is the book to help the businessperson take their Russian language knowledge to the professional level. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-12

First Russian Reader for the Family Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary A1A2

How do you ask in a clear and precise way about relatives and friends of your friends? How do you answer questions about your family and other beloved ones? Ask and answer questions about situations at home, on your way to school or university, at work, in hospital etc. Through this method, you will be able to enhance your ability to remember the words that has been incorporated into consequent sentences. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-15









First Russian Reader for Students

Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner Elementary (A1 A2)

Each chapter of First Russian Reader for Students is filled with words that are organized by topic, then used in a story in Russian. The quick and easy-to-use format organizes many of everyday situations from knowing your way around the house, studying at university, or going shopping. Readers will be able to enhance his or her ability to remember the words that has been incorporated into consequent sentences from time to time. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.lppbooks.com/Book/Russian-10

Кто потерял деньги? Who lost the money? Bilingual for Speakers of English Beginner and Elementary (A1 A2)

The first part of the book explains with examples the basic sentence structure of Russian language. The Russian and English texts are located parallel for easier understanding. The second part of the book represents a detective story. The method utilizes the natural human ability to remember words used in texts repeatedly and systematically. The list of the most common words contains about 1300 entries and is divided into topics. The audio tracks are available inclusive on www.audiolego.com/Russian/WLM/En/



