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Introduction

As you know, Russian is written in the Cyrillic alphabet. A full listing of the alphabet has been included for your reference, beginning on page. In the Reading Lessons which follow, it is assumed that you have completed the Reading Lessons included in Russian 1. If you have, you will recognize the letters of the Cyrillic alphabet, and you will be able to reproduce the sounds they represent. If you have not yet been introduced to the Cyrillic alphabet, we suggest that you go back and begin with the Readings from Russian 1.

In the reading lessons for *Russian 2*, you will continue to practice the pronunciation of Cyrillic letters and combinations of letters, as well as their use in different words and contexts. You may remember that stress in pronunciation can change the sound(s) of Russian vowels, and even some consonants. As there is no universal rule as to the stress and patterns of stress with which each word is pronounced, we have indicated where the stress is to be placed by showing the **stressed** vowel(s) in boldface.

For those who are interested, an English translation of the words and sentences making up each lesson has been provided immediately after the page(s) containing the text for that lesson. You may enjoy learning some new Russian vocabulary after completing each lesson, but when doing the

lessons, first use the text WITHOUT translation. It's important that as you first read through each lesson, you concentrate only on the recognition and pronunciation of the Cyrillic. Also, the cues indicating stress are found only on the page without translation.

There are twelve reading lessons for *Russian 2*. These can all be found at the end of the program. You can either do these Readings along with the audio lessons ... for example, a new reading lesson after every two or three lessons — or, if you find it more convenient, you can do them all together after completing the thirty lessons. Full instructions for the Readings can also be found at the end of the program.

Cyrillic Alphabet

The Cyrillic alphabet is comprised of 33 letters, listed in order below, along with a guide to the sounds represented by each letter. Many Russian letters (mostly vowels, but also some consonants) have more than one sound, depending on the amount of stress given to the letter or its position in the word. The examples listed below in the "Guide to Pronunciation" are APPROXIMATE English equivalents ... as in any language, the pronunciations will

| Cyrillic Letter (capital / small) | Guide to Pronunciation |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Aa | a as in <i>father</i> when stressed; u(h) as in <i>mumps</i> when unstressed |
| Бб | b as in bet; p at the end of a word |
| Вв | v as in <i>vandal</i> ; f at the end of a word |
| Гг | g as in <i>gasoline</i> ; k at the end of a word; sometimes v when in "Γ-0" combination |
| Дд | d as in <i>deep</i> ; t at the end of a word |
| Ee | ye as in <i>yesterday</i> when in the beginning of the word; e as in <i>ten</i> in all other cases |
| Ëë | yo as in yoga when in the beginning of the word; gno as in gnocchi in all other cases |

| Cyrillic Letter (capital / small) | Guide to Pronunciation | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Жж | zh as in the middle of the word treasure | |
| 33 | z as in zoo; sometimes s at the end of a word | |
| Ии | e as in eagle (when stressed); i as in big when unstressed | |
| Йй | y as in <i>yes</i> | |
| Кк | k as in <i>Kafka</i> | |
| Лл | I as in Lenin | |
| Мм | m as in <i>Moscow</i> | |
| Нн | n as in <i>next</i> | |
| Oo | o as in more, but shorter (when stressed); o as in ostrich (when unstressed); sometimes u(h) (when unstressed at the end of a word) | |
| Пп | p as in <i>Peter</i> | |
| Рр | rolled r | |
| Сс | s as in so | |
| Тт | t as in top | |
| Уу | oo as in tool | |
| Фф | f as in <i>find</i> | |
| Xx | aspirated h | |
| Цц | ts combination, as in pits | |

| Cyrillic Letter (capital / small) | Guide to Pronunciation |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Чч | ch combination, as in <i>ch</i> eese |
| Шш | sh as in shoe |
| Щщ | longer, softer sh sound |
| Ъъ | hard sign – indicates a slight pause between syllables |
| Ыы | fast euh-ee combination |
| Ьь | soft sign – makes the preceding letter "soft" (e.g. p sound in pew.) |
| Ээ | e(h) as in extra |
| Юю | yu as in youth when in the beginning of the word; fast ee-ou combination, like -eau- in beauty |
| Яя | ya as in yawn when in the beginning of the word; i as in liability when unstressed |

Урок Один

- 1. сал**а**т
- 2. самая красивая
- 3. Моя мама самая красивая.
- 4. гд**е**
- 5. Гд**е** он**а** жив**ё**т?
- 6. Е**ё** семь**я** жил**а** в Т**у**ле.
- 7. в Москв**е**
- 8. **Я** т**о**же ж**и**л т**а**м.
- 9. раб**о**ты
- 10. каждый день
- 11. хокк**е**й
- 12. с**а**мый
- 13. **Я е**хал дом**о**й на метр**о**.
- **14.** крокод**и**л
- 15. Иногда я ходил пешком.
- 16. блин

Lesson One

- 1. salad
- 2. most beautiful (f.)
- 3. My mother is the most beautiful.
- 4. where
- 5. Where does she live?
- 6. Her family lived in Tula.
- 7. in Moscow
- 8. I also lived there. (m.)
- 9. work, "jobs" (pl. noun)
- 10. every day
- 11. hockey
- 12. most (m.)
- 13. I was going home on the subway.
- 14. crocodile
- 15. Sometimes I went for a walk.
- 16. Russian pancake

Урок Два

- 1. т**ё**мная н**о**чь
- 2. Ч**е**м бы ...
- дитя
- 4. ни т**е**шилось
- 5. щи
- 6. шарманщик
- 7. Шарманщик играл на шарманке.
- 6. **ю**жный
- 9. **Я** раб**о**таю.
- 10. Не зев**а**й!
- 11. рубл**е**й
- 12. каз**а**к
- 13. атам**а**н
- 14. атаманом будешь
- 15. Терп**и**, каз**а**к, атам**а**ном б**у**дешь!
- 16. ц**а**пля
- 17. в ц**е**нтр
- 18. подъ**ё**м
- 19. **Я** жив**у** в подъ**е**зде н**о**мер п**я**ть.
- 20. ф**и**лин

Lesson Two

- 1. dark night
- 2. However...
- 3. a child
- 4. enjoys oneself in whatever way
- 5. cabbage soup
- 6. hand organist
- 7. The hand organist played the hand organ.
- 8. southern
- 9. I work.
- 10. Don't yawn!
- 11. rubles
- 12. Cossack (cavalry soldier)
- 13. (old Russian military rank ... as 'Marshal')
- 14. (an) Ataman (you) will be
- 15. Have patience, Cossack, you will be an Ataman!
- 16. heron
- 17. to downtown
- 18. ascent
- 19. I live in unit number five.
- 20. Owl

Урок Три

- 1. Д**о**брый д**е**нь, Нат**а**ша,
- 2. Извин**и**те ...
- 3. чт**о**
- 4. д**о**лго
- 5. Извините, что я так долго не писал вам.
- 6. У меня очень много работы ...
- 7. И очень мало времени.
- 8. **Э**то пр**а**вда!
- 9. Не было ничего нового.
- 10. А сег**о**дня ...
- 11. **я** чит**а**л газ**е**ту ...
- 12. и узн**а**л, чт**о** ...
- 13. В**о**лга впад**а**ет ...
- 14. в Каспийское море.
- 15. представл**я**ете
- 16. Вы представляете?
- 17. Перепиш**и**те, пож**а**луйста.
- 18. Серг**е**й

Lesson Three: A Note to Natasha

- 1. Good day, Natasha,
- 2. Excuse me ...
- 3. that
- 4. a long time
- 5. Excuse me, that I haven't written you for so long.
- 6. I have a lot of work ...
- 7. and very little time.
- 8. That's true!
- 9. There was nothing new.
- 10. But today ...
- 11. I was reading the newspaper ...
- 12. and learned that ...
- 13. the Volga runs ...
- 14. into the Caspian Sea.
- 15. imagine
- 16. (Can) you imagine?
- 17. Write back, please.
- 18. Sergei

Lesson Three

Добрый день, Наташа,

Извините, что я так долго не писал вам. У меня очень много работы и очень мало времени. Это правда!

Не было ничего нового. А сегодня я читал газету и узнал, что Волга впадает в Каспийское море. Вы представляете?

Перепишите, пожалуйста.

Сергей

Урок Четыре

- таможня
- 2. таможенная декларация
- 3. баг**а**ж и ручн**а**я кл**а**дь
- 4. два чемодана и сумка
- 5. иностранная валюта
- 6. США
- 7. доллары США и евро
- 8. **зо**лото и серебр**о**
- 9. предм**е**ты
- 10. предм**е**ты старин**ы**
- 11. ор**у**жие и нарк**о**тики
- 12. откр**о**йте
- 13. Откройте этот чемодан.
- 14. Пожалуйста
- 15. Покаж**и**те в**а**шу с**у**мку.
- 16. **Я** вез**у** под**а**рки ...
- 17. мо**и**м друзь**я**м.
- 18. У вас очень много подарков!
- 19. Н**е**т, у мен**я** мн**о**го друз**е**й.
- 20. Мне надо платить пошлину?
- 21. Нет, всё в порядке.
- 22. Проходите, пожалуйста.

Lesson Four: The Customs Office

- 1. customs
- 2. customs declaration
- 3. luggage (checked-in) and carry-on baggage
- 4. two suitcases and a bag
- 5. foreign currency
- 6. U.S.A.
- 7. U.S. dollars and euros
- 8. gold and silver
- 9. pieces
- 10. antiques ("old pieces")
- 11. drugs and narcotics
- 12. open
- 13. Open this suitcase.
- 14. Please
- 15. Show me your bag.
- 16. I'm bringing gifts ...
- 17. for my friends.
- 18. You have a lot of gifts!
- 19. No, I have a lot of friends.
- 20. Do I need to pay a duty?
- 21. No, everything is in order.
- 22. Pass through, please.

Урок Пять

- 1. бил**е**т на самол**ё**т
- 2. Где можно купить билет?
- авиакасса
- 4. **А**виакасса есть в гостинице «Метрополь»
- 5. лет**е**ть
- 6. Куд**а** вы хот**и**те лет**е**ть?
- 7. вылететь
- 8. Когд**а** вы хот**и**те в**ы**лететь?
- 9. **Я** хот**е**л бы в**ы**лететь в четв**е**рг.
- 10. Мн**е** н**у**жен од**и**н бил**е**т.
- 11. «**А**эрофл**о**т»
- 12. комп**а**ния "**А**эрофл**о**т"
- 13. Летайте самолётами «Аэрофлота»!
- 14. Н**е**т, спас**и**бо.
- 15. М**о**жет б**ы**ть, в друг**о**й р**а**з.
- 16. **А**эроп**о**рт "Шерем**е**тьево"
- 17. Уваж**а**емые пассаж**и**ры ...
- 18. задерживается
- 19. Ваш вылет задерживается.
- 20. Л**у**чше п**о**здно, ч**е**м никогд**а**!

Lesson Five: Airline Tickets

- 1. ticket for an airplane
- 2. Where is it possible to buy a ticket?
- 3. ticket office
- 4. There is a ticket office in the Hotel "Metropol."
- 5. to be flying
- 6. Where do you want to be flying?
- 7. to fly away ("to leave by flying")
- 8. When do you want to fly (away)?
- 9. I'd like to fly away on Thursday.
- 10. I need one ticket.
- 11. Aeroflot
- 12. the Aeroflot company
- 13. Fly the planes of Aeroflot!
- 14. No, thank you.
- 15. Maybe, another time.
- 16. Sheremet'jevo Airport
- 17. Respected passengers ...
- 18. delayed
- 19. Your flight has been delayed.
- 20. Better late than never!

Урок Шесть

- метро
- 2. Московское метро
- 3. ст**а**нция метр**о** П**у**шкинская
- 4. Кольцев**а**я л**и**ния
- Осторожно!
- 6. Осторожно, двери закрываются.
- 7. Следующая станция Маяковская.
- 8. Не прислон**я**ться!
- 9. станция Проспект Мира
- 10. перех**о**д на Кольцев**у**ю л**и**нию
- 11. П**о**езд сл**е**дует ...
- 12. до станции Медведково.
- 13. места для пассажиров с детьми
- 14. Как доехать до гостиницы "Россия"?
- 15. в**ы**йти
- 16. Вам надо выйти на станции Китай-город.
- 17. Вам н**у**жен жет**о**н?
- 18. п**о**здно
- 19. проездн**о**й
- 20. Спас**и**бо, у мен**я е**сть проездн**о**й бил**е**т.

Lesson Six: The Subway

- 1. subway
- 2. Moscow subway
- 3. Pushkinskaya subway station
- 4. Ring Line
- 5. Attention!
- 6. Attention, the doors are closing.
- 7. Next station Maiakovskaya.
- Don't lean!
- 9. Mir Avenue station
- 10. transfer for the Ring Line
- 11. (The) train goes ...
- 12. up to the Medvedkovo station.
- 13. places for passengers with children
- 14. How does one reach the Hotel Rossiya?
- 15. to leave (from)
- 16. You need to get off at the Chinatown station.
- 17. Do you need a token?
- 18. late
- 19. pass
- 20. Thank you, I have a pass.

Урок Семь

- музеи и выставки
- 2. Московский Кремль
- 3. Вы хотите пойти в Кремль?
- 4. Мы уже были там вчера.
- 5. М**ы** ход**и**ли ...
- 6. в Оруж**е**йную Пал**а**ту ...
- 7. в Алм**а**зный Ф**о**нд ...
- 8. и в Покр**о**вский соб**о**р.
- 9. сег**о**дня
- 10. Сегодня мы хотели бы попасть ...
- 11. в Третьяковскую галерею.
- 12. Туд**а** м**о**жно по**е**хать на метр**о**.
- 13. Надо до**е**хать до станции «Третьяк**о**вская» ...
- 14. и немн**о**го пройт**и** пешк**о**м.
- 15. Мн**е о**чень нр**а**вятся ...
- 16. р**у**сские ик**о**ны.

Lesson Seven: Sightseeing

- museums and exhibitions
- 2. Moscow Kremlin
- 3. Do you want to go to the Kremlin?
- 4. We were already there yesterday.
- 5. We went ...
- 6. to the Armory Chamber ...
- 7. to the Diamond Treasury ...
- 8. and to the Pokrov Cathedral.
- 9. today
- 10. Today we would like to get in ...
- 11. to the Tretyakov Gallery.
- 12. It's possible to go there by subway.
- 13. It's necessary to reach the Tretyakov Station ...
- 14. and (then) go a little further on foot.
- 15. I really like ...
- 16. Russian icons.

Урок Восемь

- зоопарк
- 2. Московский зоопарк
- 3. Больш**а**я Груз**и**нская **у**лица
- 4. зв**е**ри и пт**и**цы
- 5. Л**е**в ц**а**рь звер**е**й.
- 6. Корм**и**ть звер**е**й ...
- 7. воспрещ**а**ется.
- 8. К**у**рица не пт**и**ца.
- 9. Жир**а**ф больш**о**й ...
- 10. ем**у** видн**е**й.
- 11. стр**а**ус
- 12. Стр**а**ус пр**я**чет ...
- 13. г**о**лову в пес**о**к.
- 14. Отойд**и**те от кл**е**тки!
- 15. сл**о**н
- 16. Слон**у** д**а**ли морк**о**вку.
- 17. М**о**й с**ы**н ...
- 18. сейчас счастливый.

Lesson Eight: At the Zoo

- 1. zoo
- 2. Moscow Zoo
- 3. Big Georgian Street
- 4. animals and birds
- 5. The lion is the tsar of the animals.
- 6. Feeding the animals ...
- 7. is forbidden.
- 8. A chicken is not a bird.
- 9. The giraffe is big ...
- 10. to him more is visible.
- 11. ostrich
- 12. The ostrich hides ...
- 13. his head in the sand.
- 14. Step away from the cage!
- 15. elephant
- 16. A carrot was given to the elephant.
- 17. My son ...
- 18. is happy now.

Урок Девять

- 1. Вх**о**д
- 2. Выход
- 3. **Не**т в**ы**хода.
- 4. Кур**и**ть воспрещ**а**ется.
- 5. про**е**зд
- 6. Сколько стоит проезд в метро?
- 7. Вам надо купить жетон.
- 8. Жетон стоит пять рублей.
- 9. На такси можно доехать быстрее.
- 10. Да, но такси намного дороже!
- 11. Тише едешь дальше будешь.
- 12. остан**о**вка
- 13. остан**о**вка авт**о**буса
- 14. трамв**а**й
- 15. остан**о**вка трамв**а**я
- 16. Нам л**у**чше по**е**хать на трамвае.
- 17. Н**а**м н**а**до про**е**хать ...
- 18. Нам надо проехать три остановки.

Lesson Nine: Getting Around

- 1. Entrance
- 2. Exit
- 3. No exit.
- 4. Smoking is forbidden.
- 5. ride
- 6. How much does a subway ride cost?
- 7. You need to buy a token.
- 8. The token costs five rubles.
- 9. By taxi it's possible to get where you're going more quickly!
- 10. Yes, but a taxi is much more expensive!
- 11. The more carefully you go, the further you get.
- 12. stop (for transportation)
- 13. bus stop
- 14. streetcar
- 15. streetcar stop
- 16. It's better for us to go by streetcar.
- 17. We need to pass ...
- 18. We need to pass three stops.

Урок Десять

- 1. Больш**о**й те**а**тр
- 2. в Больш**о**й те**а**тр
- 3. Вы хотите попасть в Большой театр?
- 4. А м**о**жно в М**а**лый те**а**тр?
- 5. Чт**о** ид**ё**т сег**о**дня?
- 6. спектакль
- 7. спект**а**кль «Гроз**а**»
- 8. А в Больш**о**м ...
- 9. Лебединое
- 10. бал**е**т «Лебед**и**ное **о**зеро».
- 11. Куд**а** вы хот**и**те пойт**и**?
- 12. Л**у**чше в Больш**о**й.
- 13. Чайковского
- 14. Мн**е о**чень нр**а**вится м**у**зыка Чайк**о**вского.
- 15. Мы сможем достать билеты?
- 16. Дав**а**йте попр**о**буем.

Lesson Ten: Going to the Theatre

- 1. Bolshoi Theater
- 2. to the Bolshoi Theater
- 3. Do you want to get in to the Bolshoi Theater?
- 4. But is it possible (to get into) the Maliy Theater?
- 5. What's playing today?
- 6. performance
- 7. performance (of) "Thunderstorm"
- 8. And in the Bolshoi ...
- 9. (of a) swan
- 10. The ballet "Swan Lake."
- 11. Where do you want to go?
- 12. It's better (to go) to the Bolshoi.
- 13. Tchaikovsky's
- 14. I like Tchaikovsky's music very much.
- 15. Will we be able to get tickets?
- 16. Let's try.

Урок Одиннадцать

- 1. магазин «Книги»
- 2. «Кн**и**жный мир»
- 3. ром**а**н Войн**а** и м**и**р
- 4. Бр**а**тья Карам**а**зовы
- 5. Мне очень нравится Пушкин.
- 6. У вас есть его книги?
- 7. Русл**а**н и Людм**и**ла
- 8. роман Евгений Онегин
- 9. А чт**о** ещ**ё** у в**а**с **е**сть?
- 10. н**о**вое изд**а**ние
- 11. новое издание Михаила Булгакова
- 12. Мастер и Маргарита
- 13. Соб**а**чье с**е**рдце
- 14. л**у**чше
- 15. л**у**чший
- 16. Кн**и**га л**у**чший под**а**рок!

Lesson Eleven: The Bookstore

- 1. (the) store "Books"
- 2. "World of Books"
- 3. (the) novel War and Peace
- 4. The Brothers Karamazov
- 5. I like Pushkin very much.
- 6. Do you have his books?
- 7. Ruslan and Ludmila
- 8. (the) novel Yevgeny Onegin
- 9. And what else do you have?
- 10. new edition
- 11. a new edition of Mikhail Bulgakov
- 12. The Master and Margarita
- 13. Heart of a Dog
- 14. better
- 15. best
- 16. A book is the best gift!

Урок Двенадцать

- 1. уезж**а**ете
- 2. В**ы** уж**е** уезжаете?
- 3. Да, мне уже пора домой.
- 4. В как**о**м н**о**мере ...
- 5. В каком номере вы у нас жили?
- 6. Номер триста тридцать третий.
- 7. понравилось
- 8. Вам понравилось у нас?
- 9. Д**а**, спас**и**бо.
- 10. гостеприимный
- 11. Так, ваш н**о**мер ст**о**ит ...
- 12. Двести восемьдесят долларов в день.
- 13. В**ы** приним**а**ете ...
- 14. кред**и**тные к**а**рточки?
- 15. Д**а**, кон**е**чно.
- 16. Пожалуйста, вот ваше такси.

Lesson 12: Checking Out

- 1. are leaving
- 2. Are you already leaving?
- 3. Yes, it's already time (to go) home.
- 4. in which room (number) ...
- 5. In which room did you stay with us?
- 6. Number three hundred and thirty-three.
- 7. (you) enjoyed yourself
- 8. Did you enjoy yourself at our place?
- 9. Yes, thank you.
- 10. hospitable
- 11. So, your room costs ...
- 12. two hundred eighty dollars per day.
- 13. Do you accept ...
- 14. credit cards?
- 15. Yes, of course.
- 16. Please, here's your taxi.

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