

**Russian Language**  
**Beginners Level**  
Introductory Lesson

- Plan:** 1) Russian Alphabet. Letters and Sounds  
2) Spell your name in Russian  
3) Reading Exercise  
4) What is your Name?

1. There are 33 (!) letters in Russian alphabet. After learning all of them you will be able to read any (!) word in Russian! Exciting? Then let's start!

First let's get familiar with letters.

Russian Alphabet			X		
<b>А</b>	ah	<b>К</b>	kah	<b>Х</b>	khah
<b>Б</b>	beh	<b>Л</b>	ehl	<b>Ц</b>	tseh
<b>В</b>	veh	<b>М</b>	ehm	<b>Ч</b>	chYah
<b>Г</b>	geh	<b>Н</b>	ehn	<b>Ш</b>	shah
<b>Д</b>	deh	<b>О</b>	o	<b>Щ</b>	shchyah
<b>Е</b>	yeh	<b>П</b>	peh	<b>Ъ</b>	tviordiy znak
<b>Ё</b>	yo	<b>Р</b>	ehr	<b>Ы</b>	i
<b>Ж</b>	zheh	<b>С</b>	ehs	<b>Ь</b>	myagkiy znak
<b>З</b>	zeh	<b>Т</b>	teh	<b>Э</b>	eh
<b>И</b>	ee	<b>У</b>	oo	<b>Ю</b>	Yoo
<b>Й</b>	ee kratkoYe	<b>Ф</b>	ehf	<b>Я</b>	Yah

And now let's learn what sound corresponds with each letter.

А а	a as in father	К к	k as in class	Х х	h as in loch
Б б	b as in but	Л л	l as in love	Ц ц	ts as in its
В в	v as in van	М м	m as mother	Ч ч	ch as in chess
Г г	g as in get	Н н	n as in name	Ш ш	sh as in fish
Д д	d as in dress	О о	o as in bottle	Щ щ	shsh in fresh chat
Е е	ye as in yesterday	П п	p as in paper	Ъ ъ	"hard sign"
Ё ё	yo as in yonder	Р р	r as in error	Ы ы	i as in bill
Ж ж	zh as in measure	С с	s as in smile	Ь ь	"soft sign"
З з	z as in zoo	Т т	t as in ten	Э э	e as in bet
И и	ee as in meet	У у	u as in cool	Ю ю	yu in Yugoslavia
Й й	y as in toy	Ф ф	f as in farm	Я я	ya as in yard

2. I will spell my name in Russian

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Now let's spell your name. Does it look different? What is the same?

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3. I promised that you will be able to read every word in Russian after learning the alphabet.

Let's practice vowels in simple syllables (consonant+vowel)

The vowels we'll be practicing today are: А, О, У, Э, Ы

1) БА БО БУ БЭ БЫ

МА МО МУ МЭ МЫ

ПА ПО ПУ ПЭ ПЫ

ВА ВО ВУ ВЭ ВЫ

СА СО СУ СЭ СЫ

ЛА ЛО ЛУ ЛЭ ЛЫ

ТА ТО ТУ ТЭ ТЫ

2) МАМА МАМУ

ПАПА ПАПУ

МАЛО МАЛА МУЛА МЫЛА МЫЛО

САЛО СУМА МЫСА СУМУ САЛУ

ПОЛА ПОЛУ ПАЛА ПАВА САПА

ЛАВА ЛАПА ЛАМА ЛУПА ЛАПУ

ВЫЛА ПЫЛА ЛОВЫ ВЫЛО МОЛЫ

ТАТА БАТА ТОМА ТУБА СОТЫ

#### 4. What is your name? - Как вас зовут?



- Привет! [privet]      Как вас зовут? [kak vas zavut?]

- Я Татьяна. А вы?

- А я \_\_\_\_\_

## Homework

- 1) Learn letters and sounds of Russian Alphabet
- 2) Practice to spell your name in Russian
- 3) Listen to the song about Russian Alphabet