How to Get Really Good at Russian

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Abstract

This essay begins by describing different views of discussing both product and process approaches of the Russian language. Some examples of each will be included. In an era rife with complaints over the degradation of language in the face of a host of commonly cited bugaboos (inferior school, lazy pupils, declining morals, insidious new media technologies), one can only be heartened by the fact that language and language usage continue to be a source of popular discussion and debate. Even in American culture, where reverence for the national tongue has historically paled compared to the likes of France and Russia, one can find regular language - related rubrics in both print and broadcast media (e.g., "Word on the Street" and "Week in Words" [Wall St. Journal], "On Language" [a regular feature in The New York Times until February 2011], and "A Way With Words" [National Public Radio]).

The purpose of our research is to provide Russian learners with free possibilities to learn and practice Russian language. We recommend you to listen to the audio as many times as you need until every word sounds familiar to you. It can also help to come back to the previously studied lessons from time to time and to refresh your knowledge.

Study the transcript carefully and write down all unknown words in order to memorize them. Don't hesitate to read the transcript out loud, that will help you to master the pronunciation.

If you don't understand anything in the lesson you read, it means it's too advanced for you at the moment. Don't torture yourself, just skip it and get back to it later. You'll see it will be much easier after a while. If you were just wondering what language you should learn next, we suggest you to learn the Russian language.

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