Index to Intermediate Russian

The words and phrases taught in the course are listed in English and Russian (Cyrillic).

The Cyrillic alphabet is given along with an explanation of the transliteration system. However at intermediate level it is assumed that the learner already has a reasonable grasp of the Cyrillic script. We have therefore only included the Cyrillic script in the Languages with Michel Thomas app.

Word families

The following word families will help you to find your way around the Russian language, allowing you to work out the meanings and forms of new words as you hear, read and need to say them.

Although they have not been marked with asterisks, many of these words are bonus words, i.e. they are not on the recording.

The 'прав' family

| тпе прав тапт | ııy . |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| прав | right (<i>adj</i> .) |
| пр <u>а</u> во | right, law |
| прав <u>а</u> | driving licence |
| пр <u>а</u> вда | truth |
| напр <u>а</u> во | to the right |
| пр <u>а</u> вить | to rule |
| прав <u>и</u> тель | ruler |
| прав <u>и</u> тельство | government |
| пр <u>а</u> вило | rule |
| пр <u>а</u> вильно | correctly |
| испр <u>а</u> вить | to correct |
| запр <u>а</u> вить | to fill the car |
| машину | |
| направл <u>е</u> ние | direction |

The 'говор' family

| to speak, talk, say |
|---------------------|
| to finish saying |
| agreement |
| to agree |
| conversation |
| plot |
| talks |
| court sentence |
| saying |
| tongue twister |
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The 'сказ / каз' family

| to say, tell |
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| fairy tale |
| to tell |
| story |
| to predict |
| to prompt |
| to order, book |
| order |
| to show |
| to prove |
| proof |
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The 'слов / слав' family

СПОВО

| 071 <u>0</u> 00 | WOIG |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| слов <u>а</u> рь | dictionary |
| сл <u>а</u> ва | glory |
| правосл <u>а</u> вный | Russian orthodox |
| слав <u>я</u> нский | Slavic |
| усл <u>о</u> вие | condition |
| безусл <u>о</u> вно | unconditionally, |
| | absolutely |
| посл <u>о</u> вица | proverb |
| дословно (-вный) | word for word |
| | |

word

The 'жар' family

 жара
 heat

 жарко
 hot

 пожар
 fire

 пожарник
 fireman

 жарить
 to fry, roast

 жареный
 fried

roast (meat)

The 'вид' family

видview, lookвидеоvideoвидеть / увидетьto see

видеться / у-to see each otherпредвидетьto foreseeвидноvisible, evidentlyвидимоobviously, evidently

<u>видный</u> prominent ненав<u>идеть</u> to hate зав<u>идовать</u> to envy

The 'ход' family

жаркое

проход

заходить

находить

дох<u>о</u>д расход(ы)

ходить to walk, go входить to enter вход entrance входной entry (adj.) to go out, exit выход<u>и</u>ть exit выход выходной day off to arrive приходить подходить to approach подход approach переходить to cross переход crossing transition (adj.) переходный go through проходить

> passage to drop in

to find

income

expense(s)

The 'пис' family

писать / написать to write письмо letter to note down. записать record запись record, recording note зап<u>и</u>ска подписать to sign signature ПОДПИСЬ переписать to copy, rewrite переписываться to correspond переписка correspondence

The 'дум' family

Дума the Duma to think думать / подумать to rethink / передумать раздумать change one's mind to think out продумать well thoughtпродуманный out задуматься to be lost in thought придумать to invent.

think up

The 'езд / езж' family

ездить to travel, go entrance въезд въездная виза entry visa to exit выезжать exit выезд train поезд поездка trip to arrive приезжать подъезжать to approach entrance (front подъезд

door)
переезжать to cross
переезд crossing
проезжать to go / drive
through
проезд thoroughfare

заезжать

to drive in drop in

The 'дат / дач' family

дать to give д<u>а</u>та date

дача country house
передать to pass, broadcast
передача broadcast, show
задача task, problem
удача luck, success
удачный lucky, successful

прод<u>а</u>ть to sell

сдатьto hand in; let outсдачаchange (money)податьto serve (food; sport)

под<u>а</u>ча serve (sport)

The Russian alphabet

| I | Russian letter A a MaMa | Closest English equivalent A as in father, saga, about | Transliterated <i>a</i> |
|----|---|--|--------------------------------|
| 2 | Бб | B as in b et, b eat (sounds P at | Ь |
| | б анк, гри б | the end of a word). | |
| 3 | Вв | V as in v an (can sound F at | V |
| | вокзал, вот | the end of a word). | |
| 4 | Г г гараж, готов, ничего | G as in g o, g et (can sound K at the end of a word; sounds V in -ero, -oro and certain other word endings). | g |
| 5 | Д д дом, код | D as in d a d , d en (can sound T at the end of a word). | d |
| 6 | Е е е сть, гд е | YE as in yes, E as in met. Softens the preceding consonant (shown with apostrophe '). | ye, 'e |
| 7 | Ё ё ё лка, вс ё | YO as in you r, be yo nd. Softens the preceding consonant (shown with apostrophe '). Always stressed. | уо, 'о |
| 8 | Ж ж можно, муж | ZH as in pleasure, vision (can sound SH at the end of a word). | zh |
| 9 | 3 з з десь, з анят | Z as in \mathbf{z} ero, ro \mathbf{s} e (can sound S at the end of a word). | Z |
| 10 | и и, или | EE as in feet, eel. Softens the preceding consonant. | i |
| П | Й й мо й | Y as in y et, to y , bo y | У |
| 12 | К к как | K as in ra ck , k ey | k |

| | Russian letter | Closest English equivalent | Transliterated |
|----|--|--|----------------------|
| 13 | Л л лампа, да л еко | L as in lamp, lead | I |
| 14 | М м М осква | M as in m ilk, m eat | m |
| 15 | Н н н ет, н о | N as in nice, net | n |
| 16 | О о о н, о на | O as in port when stressed. When unstressed – as in a gain, do | o oct o r. |
| 17 | П п президент | P as in p our, p lease | Þ |
| 18 | Р р Р оссия, р абота | Scottish rolled ${f r}$ | r |
| 19 | С с спасибо | S as in s it, mo s t | S |
| 20 | Т т э т о, т ак | T as in t uck, t eam | t |
| 21 | У у по-р у сски, у | OO as in boot, fool. The lips show be protruded. | ıld oo |
| 22 | Ф ф ко ф е | F as in f un, f arm | f |
| 23 | X х х леб, х орошо | Scottish lo ch | kh |
| 24 | Ц ц ц ирк | T+S as in sits, bits | ts |
| 25 | Ч ч хо ч у, ч то | CH as in ch air, ch ip | ch |
| 26 | Ш ш ва ш , на ш | SH as in sh ip, ru sh | sh |
| 27 | Щ щ бор щ , е щ ё | SHCH as in pu shch air, fre sh ch eese | shch |

| | Russian letter | Closest I | English e | quivalen | t Translit | erated |
|----|---|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 28 | Ъъ с ъ ел | hard sign: consonant | | | | ,, |
| 29 | Ы ы в ы , ты | Resembles | s I as in t i l | l, b i t |) | / |
| 30 | Ь ь думат ь , большой | soft sign: u the preced | | y to soften onant. | ı | , |
| 31 | Э э э то | E as in get | t, b ea r, wh | n e re | (| 9 |
| 32 | Ю ю зна ю , говор ю | U as in u r the preced (shown w | ding conso | | s yoo, 'oo |) |
| 33 | Я я мо я , врем я | YA as in y the preced (shown w | ding consc | | ya, 'c | 1 |
| Vo | wels | | | | | |
| | rden preceding nsonant | А ма ма | О до м | Э мэ р | у по- ру сски | Ы бы ть |
| | ten preceding nsonant | Я вре мя | Ё и дё м | Е м е ня | Ю гово рю | И би лет |

Common Russian signs

| METPO metro | БАР bar | ВХОД entry |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ТАКСИ taxi | PECTOPAH restaurant | ВЫХОД exit |
| BOK3AJ train station | КАФЕ café | ПЕРЕХОД pedestrian crossing |
| ХЛЕБ bread | БАНК bank | БОЛЬШОЙ TEATP Bolshoy Theatre |
| МОЛОКО milk | EAHKOMAT cash machine | ЭРМИТАЖ Hermitage |
| ОТЕЛЬ hotel | милиция police (militia) | МУЗЕЙ museum |
| ГОСТИНИЦА hotel | KACCA box office, ticket office | СУВЕНИРЫ souvenirs |
| НЕ КУРИТЬ no smoking | ГАЗЕТЫ newspapers | ПОЛИКЛИНИКА surgery |
| РЕГИСТРАЦИЯ registration | МАГАЗИН shop | PЫНОК market |
| 3AHЯТО engaged, occupied | КНИГИ books | ДОБРО ПОЖАЛОВАТЬ welcome |