



COURSE OUTLINE

Russian

Unit 1 : Introductions

Chapter 1. Salutations and Small Talk

Conversational Goals

- Express Gratitude
- Say Goodbye
- Use Common Formal Greetings
- Use Common Informal Greetings
- Use Formal and Familiar Forms of Address

Grammar Goals

- Be Introduced to Accusative, Instrumental and Prepositional Cases
- Be Introduced to Adverbs
- Use the Pronouns **ТЫ** and **ВЫ**
- Use the Question Word **КАК**

Chapter 2. Languages and Origins

Conversational Goals

- Answer Yes or No
- Apologize for a Minor Transgression
- Ask and Tell What Language Someone Speaks
- Ask and Tell Where Someone is From
- Get Someone's Attention to Ask for Information

Grammar Goals

- Form Affirmative and Interrogative Sentences
- Omit the Verb "To Be" in Present Tense
- Use Negation in Verbs
- Use Personal Pronouns **Я** and **МЫ**
- Use the Verbs **ГОВОРИТЬ** (Second Conjugation) and **ПОНИМАТЬ** (First Conjugation)

Chapter 3. Introductions and Professions

Conversational Goals

- Ask Someone's Name
- Become Familiar with Russian Names
- Introduce Yourself and Others
- Respond to Introductions
- Say That You Are Not Someone or Something

Grammar Goals

- Construct Preposition **в** + Accusative
- Construct Preposition **в** + Prepositional
- Use Ordinal Numerals **первый, второй**
- Use the Possessive Pronouns **мой, моя, наш, и наша**
- Use the Verbs **звать** and **работать** (First Conjugation)

Chapter 4. Personal Info and Preferences

Conversational Goals

- Give Your Phone Number and Email Address
- Say the Day of the Week
- Say Your Favorite Colors and Food Items
- State Where You Live
- Tell Your Age

Grammar Goals

- Form Cardinal Numerals up to 100
- Form Ordinal Numerals up to 100
- Learn the Dative Case of Personal Pronouns
- Practice the Genitive Case of Nouns, Adjectives and Personal Pronouns

Unit 2 : Connections

Chapter 1. Places and Directions

Conversational Goals

- Ask for Directions
- Get Help Finding Places Using a Map
- Identify Important Places and Facilities Around Town
- Understand Directions as They Are Given to You

Grammar Goals

- Form Adverbs Derived from Adjectives
- Form the Imperative: Perfective and Imperfective
- Understand and Use the Genitive for Possession and Relationship

Chapter 2. Costs and Counting

Conversational Goals

- Ask About the Availability of an Item
- Ask for the Price of an Item
- Count up to 10
- Deal with Russian Currency
- Negotiate Basic Transactions at Stores

Grammar Goals

- Construct Compound Numerals
- Practice Cardinal Numerals 1-10, 50, 100, 200, 300
- Use Second Declension Plural Nouns
- Use the Demonstrative Pronouns **это, этот, эта, and эти**
- Use the Verbs **есть, стоить, and взять**

Chapter 3. Food and Drink Culture

Conversational Goals

- Gain Insight into Russian Food Culture
- Order Drinks and Meals
- Understand Common Phrases Used at Restaurants

Grammar Goals

- Construct Future Tense: **быть** + Imperfective Infinitive
- Construct the Verb **приносить** + Accusative
- Use Future Forms of the Verb **быть**
- Use the Genitive (Relationship)
- Use the Imperative

Chapter 4. Transportation and Currency

Conversational Goals

- Ask and Tell What Payment Means Are Accepted
- Deal with Large Numbers
- Exchange Currency
- Handle Russian Currency with Ease

Grammar Goals

- Construct Verb **принимать** + Accusative
- Construct Verb **хотеть** + Infinitive
- Form Cardinal Numerals up to 1000
- Use **Какой** as an Interrogative Pronoun

Chapter 5. Help and Requests

Conversational Goals

- Accept or Decline Help
- Ask for and Offer Help
- Describe an Emergency Situation
- Gain Knowledge of Emergency Services in Russia
- Learn the Names of Body Parts

Grammar Goals

- Construct the Verb **вызвать** + Accusative
- Learn the Reflexive Pronoun **себя** and the Verb **чувствовать себя**
- Practice the Pronouns **он, она, and они**
- Use the Verb **болеть**
- Use the Verbs **потерять** and **потеряться**

Chapter 6. Clarification and Explanation

Conversational Goals

- Ask and Answer What a Word or Phrase Means or Says
- Ask and Answer What a Written Word or Phrase Says
- Communicate One's Ability to Understand Something
- Express Gratitude for a Past Deed
- Request to Repeat, Slow Down, or Speak Up

Grammar Goals

- Continue Practicing the Imperative
- Learn the Second Conjugation Verb **значить**
- Practice First Conjugation Verbs: **писать, сказать, and знать**
- Practice the Past Tense
- Practice Using Adjectives and Adverbs

Chapter 7. Compliments and Corrections

Conversational Goals

- Ask and Tell How One's Performance Is
- Ask and Tell What Something Is
- Give and Respond to a Compliment
- Request and Agree to Speak in Russian
- Tell Someone That You Are Learning Something

Grammar Goals

- Continue Practicing the Past Tense
- Continue Practicing using Adjectives and Adverbs
- Learn the Two Meanings of the Verb **учить**

Chapter 8. Relatives and Pets

Conversational Goals

- Address Family Members Using Kinship Words
- Comment on Pets
- Talk About Personality Types

Grammar Goals

- Practice "Preposition **с** + Instrumental" Structure
- Use Adjectives in the Feminine Form, Ending in **-ая**
- Use the Possessive Pronouns **мой, твой, его,** and **её**
- Use the Verb **жить**

Chapter 9. Household Rooms and Items

Conversational Goals

- Describe the Color of Something
- Refer to General Places
- Refer to Rooms and Locations in a House
- Use Location and Relational Words
- Use Russian Etiquette to Greet Guests

Grammar Goals

- Construct the Preposition **над** or **под** + the Instrumental Case
- Form Imperative Sentences
- Practice the Preposition **на** + the Prepositional Case
- Understand the Use of the Accusative and Dative Cases
- Use the Possessive Pronouns **Ваш, Ваша, Ваше,** and **Ваши**

Chapter 10. Career and Hobbies

Conversational Goals

- Accept and Politely Decline an Invitation
- Share Needs, Likes, and Dislikes
- Talk About Careers and Professions
- Talk About Hobbies

Grammar Goals

- Practice Preposition **в** + Accusative
- Practice **мне нужно** + Infinitive
- Practice **работать** + Instrumental
- Use Modal Verb **мочь**

Unit 3 : Community

Chapter 1. Friends and Relationships

Conversational Goals

- Ask About Somebody's Habits
- Ask Someone to Dance
- Refuse an Invitation
- Say "I Love You"
- Start a Conversation

Grammar Goals

- Form the Past Tense Structure **видеть** + Accusative
- Practice Primary Spatial Adverbs **здесь** and **сюда**
- Practice to Use Second-Conjugation Verbs in **-ить**
- Understand Short Adjectives

Chapter 2. Cooking and Eating

Conversational Goals

- Ask About the Ingredients of a Dish
- Express That You Do Not Like Something
- Learn Common Local and Cultural Foods
- Refer to Food Preparation Processes
- Say You Like Certain Foods

Grammar Goals

- Continue Practicing the Verb **нравиться** + Dative Structure
- Continue Using First Conjugation Verbs in **-уть** and **-ать**
- Practice Familiar with the Perfect and Imperfect Aspect
- Use Units of Measurement + Genitive

Chapter 3. Weather and Landscapes

Conversational Goals

- Continue Learning the Months of the Year
- Describe the Land
- Describe the Weather
- Talk About Temperature

Grammar Goals

- Form Adverbs
- Form the Nominative Plural of Feminine Nouns
- Form the Nominative Plural of Masculine Nouns
- Learn the Difference Between **ходить** and **идти**
- Use the Irregular Verb **хотеть**

Chapter 4. Shopping and Apparel

Conversational Goals

- Ask About Store Hours
- Talk About Different Types of Stores
- Talk About Grocery Items
- Understand Sizing in Russian

Grammar Goals

- Learn More Genitive Words
- Practice to Conjugate Reflexive Verbs
- Use Prepositions **через**, **с**, and **до** in Relation to Time Expressions
- Use the Verb **купить** + Accusative

Chapter 5. Tasks and Errands

Conversational Goals

- Invite Someone to Join You for an Activity
- Use Basic Banking and Financial Terms
- Use the Post Office

Grammar Goals

- Form the Dative Singular of Masculine, Neuter, and Feminine Nouns
- Practice Using the Perfective Future
- Practice Using Verbs of Motion: **ходить** and **идти** versus **ездить** and **ехать**
- Use the Word **надо** to Express Necessity

Chapter 6. Recreation and Relaxation

Conversational Goals

- Make Plans for an Activity
- Remind Someone to Bring Something
- Suggest Going Somewhere

Grammar Goals

- Practice More Future Forms of the Verb **быть**
- Practice More Masculine and Feminine Short Adjectives
- Practice the Dative Pronouns **ему, ей, им,** and **нам**
- Use Perfective Imperative and Negative Perfective Imperative
- Use the Subjunctive Mood of the Verb **мочь**

Chapter 7. Travel and Tourism

Conversational Goals

- Ask About and Discuss a Famous Person and Local History
- Ask to See Less Common Places
- Ask to See Well-Known Places
- Describe a Place You Have Visited
- State an Idea

Grammar Goals

- Construct the Preposition **по** + the Dative Case
- Form the Nominative Plural of Neuter Nouns
- Practice the Use of **нет** + the Genitive Case
- Practice Using the Phrase **хотел бы** to Express Desire

Chapter 8. Physical Descriptions and Humor

Conversational Goals

- Add Humor to a Situation
- Describe Someone's Appearance
- Describe Someone's Personality
- Express Uncertainty

Grammar Goals

- Learn the "Noun + **как** + Noun" Structure
- Learn the Declension of Adjectives in the Prepositional Case
- Review the Adjective Agreement with Nouns
- Study Complex Adjectives
- Use the Demonstrative Pronouns **тот, та, то,** and **те**

Chapter 9. Opinions and Popular Culture

Conversational Goals

- Ask About Famous Local Artists
- Say If You Are Familiar with Someone or Something
- Talk About Famous Local Authors or Books
- Talk About Local Music

Grammar Goals

- Continue Practicing the Compound Future Tense
- Learn About the Declension of First and Last Names
- Learn the Instrumental Pronouns **ним, ней,** and **ними**
- Practice Using the Preposition **о** + Prepositional Case
- Use the Phrase **знаком с** + Instrumental

Unit 4 : Lifestyle

Chapter 1. Historic People and Events

Conversational Goals

- Ask About Revolutions and Other Important Events
- Describe Past Events
- Talk About Local Historical People

Grammar Goals

- Learn How to Conjugate Reflexive Verbs in the Past Tense
- Learn the Difference Between Transitive and Intransitive Verbs
- Practice the Declension of Adjectives in the Instrumental Case
- Practice the Formation of Adjectives from Nouns: Suffix **-ск-**

Chapter 2. Hospital and Pharmacy

Conversational Goals

- Be Able to Schedule an Appointment
- Describe Feelings of Pain or Illness
- Name a Kind of Medicine
- Respond to Medical Questions
- Understand a Doctor's Orders

Grammar Goals

- Practice Genitive Case in Numbers
- Practice the Accusative and Dative Cases
- Practice Transitive and Intransitive Verbs
- Review the Imperative Form of the Verbs
- Use More Reflexive Verbs in the Past Tense

Chapter 3. Thoughts and Emotions

Conversational Goals

- Describe a Childhood or Past Experience
- Describe or Explain Your Emotions
- Express a Reaction to a Current Event
- Express Feelings
- Offer Sympathy

Grammar Goals

- Learn More Russian Idioms
- Practice Adverbs
- Practice Short Adjectives
- Practice the Past Tense of the Verbs
- Use and Form More Reflexive Verbs

Chapter 4. College and University Life

Conversational Goals

- Ask What School Somebody Attended
- Describe a Daily Routine
- Inquire About Fields of Study
- Present the Plans for the Future
- Talk About Careers and Employment

Grammar Goals

- Become Familiar with the Declension of the Pronoun **кто**
- Conjugate the Reflexive Verb **учиться**
- Practice the Genitive and Accusative Cases
- Practice the Instrumental Case in New Words
- Use the Future Tense of the Verbs

Chapter 5. Family and Name Origins

Conversational Goals

- Ask About the Origin of a Name
- Comment on Someone's Name
- Describe the Nature of a Guest's Visit
- Identify Your Relationship with Someone
- Use Various Expressions to Introduce Someone

Grammar Goals

- Learn More Words in the Instrumental Case
- Learn to Use the Verbs of Motion: **приходить** versus **приезжать**
- Practice Phrases with Prepositions **по** and **на**
- Practice the Genitive and Accusative Cases

Chapter 6. Food Allergies and Ingredients

Conversational Goals

- Ask if Someone Wants to Taste a Food
- Discuss the Ingredients in a Dish
- Give Compliments on Food
- Talk About Hunger and Food Cravings
- Talk About One's Dietary Habits

Grammar Goals

- Learn the Imperative Form of Verbs
- Learn the Impersonal Structure: Dative Pronoun + **нельзя**
- Practice Conjugating Reflexive Verbs in the Past Tense

Chapter 7. Social Events and Gatherings

Conversational Goals

- Compliment Someone on Their Clothing or Appearance
- Express That One Event is Dependent on Another
- Say You Have to Verify Something
- Talk About Personal Care and Grooming

Grammar Goals

- Be Introduced to First Conjugation Verbs with a Mobile Vowel
- Learn the Dative of the Demonstrative Pronouns **ЭТОТ**, **ЭТА**, **ЭТО**, and **ЭТИ**
- Practice the Dative Case

Chapter 8. Sports and Fitness

Conversational Goals

- Comment on an Activity and Its Effects
- Discuss Sport and Exercise Habits
- Invite Someone to Join a Group

Grammar Goals

- Practice More First Conjugation Verbs
- Practice the Instrumental Case
- Use Reflexive Verbs
- Use Time Adverbials

Chapter 9. Movies and TV

Conversational Goals

- Describe Aspects of Movie Making
- Discuss a Movie or Acting
- Give a Contrary Opinion

Grammar Goals

- Learn the Declension of the Demonstrative Pronoun **ЭТОТ**
- Practice Declension of First and Last Names
- Practice Using the Instrumental Case

Unit 5 : Ambitions

Chapter 1. Airports and Customs

Conversational Goals

- Interact with Airport Employees
- Present and Request Identification
- Understand a Message About Changes to a Flight Schedule
- Understand and Respond to Security Questions and Commands

Grammar Goals

- Learn About the Present Active Participle
- Learn the Declension of Adjectives in the Genitive Case
- Practice More Second Conjugation Verbs in **-еть** and **-ить**
- Practice the Dative Case of Nouns
- Use Impersonal Constructions

Chapter 2. Hotels and Local Attractions

Conversational Goals

- Check in to and out of a Hotel
- Discuss Hotel Features and Services
- Express Future Desires
- Offer Help
- Say That Something is Missing or Doesn't Work

Grammar Goals

- Form the Indefinite Pronouns Ending in **-то**, **-нибудь**, and **-либо**
- Form the Perfective Passive Participle
- Learn About Collective Numerals
- Learn Future of Perfective Verbs
- Practice More Reflexive Verbs

Chapter 3. House Hunting and Moving

Conversational Goals

- Accentuate the Positive Aspects of a Living Space
- Discuss Features of Homes or Apartments
- Inquire About Possible Homes
- Outline Steps to Take Before Moving In
- Talk About a Family History

Grammar Goals

- Become Familiar with the Relative Pronoun **который**
- Continue Using **когда-то** to Talk About the Past
- Practice Using the Instrumental Case
- Practice Using the Passive Voice Expressed by Reflexive Verbs
- Use the Hypothetical Period of the First Kind

Chapter 4. Utilities and Repair

Conversational Goals

- Ask for a Technician or Repairman
- Describe a Problem with a Utility or Appliance
- Establish a Time Frame for Services
- Explain a Series of Steps Needed to Complete a Task
- Give Contact and Billing Information

Grammar Goals

- Continue Using Constructions with the Third Person Plural
- Practice Using Cardinal Numbers
- Practice Using the Perfective Future
- Review the Use of the Accusative and Genitive Cases
- Use Prepositions **в течение** and **в промежутке** in Relation to Time Expressions

Chapter 5. Education and Career

Conversational Goals

- Discuss Schooling Options
- Discuss the Consequences of a Decision
- Mention Hearsay
- Set Goals for an Academic Program
- Talk About Features of Schools

Grammar Goals

- Get Introduced to Emphatic Pronoun **сам**
- Get Introduced to Reflexive Possessive Pronoun **свой**
- Practice Giving the Date Using Ordinal Numbers
- Understand and Use Complex Sentences

Chapter 6. Emergencies and Aid

Conversational Goals

- Describe an Emergency Situation
- Express Fear and Urgency
- Present Information Learned from the Media
- Request and Offer Emergency Aid
- Request or Provide an Address or Location

Grammar Goals

- Learn How to Form Comparative Adjectives
- Learn the Past Tense Formation of the Verb **произойти**
- Review the Use of the Impersonal Construction with the Dative Case

Chapter 7. Household and Lifestyle

Conversational Goals

- Apologize and Ask for Forgiveness
- Ask Someone to Do a Chore
- Describe Feelings of Anger
- Express Annoyance
- Give an Excuse

Grammar Goals

- Form the Third-Person Imperative with the Particle **пусть**
- Get Introduced to the Prefix **до-**
- Learn More Ways to Form the Perfective Passive Participle
- Learn the Imperative Ending in **-ь**

Chapter 8. Hair and Beauty Services

Conversational Goals

- Discuss Beauty Salon Services
- Make and Ask About Appointments
- Request and Discuss Hairstyles
- Reschedule an Appointment

Grammar Goals

- Form Opposite Adjectives with the Prefix **не-**
- Get Introduced to the Category of Uncertainty
- Practice Forming Comparative Adjectives
- Practice Using the Past Tense in Reference to the Future

Chapter 9. Events and Schedules

Conversational Goals

- Discuss Certain Obligations
- Discuss When Events Occur
- Remind Someone of an Event
- Talk About a Person's Availability

Grammar Goals

- Practice the Adverb **поэтому**
- Review the Use of Spatial and Temporal Prepositions
- Use the Category of Uncertainty in the Third-Person Plural