

Year 7 Russian Curriculum



In Year 7 you will learn the language (vocabulary and grammar) by developing listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in the topic areas listed below. As part of the course, your knowledge of the culture and history of Russia will grow.

You will progress in the following skills:

- **In Listening & Reading:** Understanding greetings, introductions, requests, classroom instructions and simple descriptions, written in both cursive and printed scripts.
- **In Speaking & Writing:** Asking questions for everyday use; responding to questions requiring information and opinions; developing longer sentences using connectives and time phrases; writing in cursive script.
- **Translation:** Translating familiar sentences into both Russian and English.
- **Pronunciation:** Developing accuracy of pronunciation, showing awareness of stress on words, and intonation.

You will explore these **key topics**:

The alphabet (handwriting, capital letters, vowels and consonants, joining letters, printed script), numbers 1 – 50, classroom language, introductions, family, pets, time, food and drink, shopping, sport, where you live

You will investigate these **cultural aspects** during the year:

- Basic facts about Russia
- The history of the Russian alphabet
- Russian mythology: BabaYaga and Koschei
- Christmas and New Year
- Russian animals
- Shrove week and Easter
- Popular sports and sport champions

You will learn and practise the following **grammar points** during the year:

- The lack of articles 'the' and 'a'
- The absence of 'to be' in the present tense
- Making a negative
- Identifying the gender of nouns
- Making regular nouns plural
- A spelling rule
- Using prepositions 'на' and 'в'
- Changing noun endings in the 'locative' case

Use the checklist below to ensure that you make excellent progress:

- ✓ 1. Learn vocabulary regularly from your vocabulary book:
practise saying and spelling the words
- ✓ 2. Take care with lettering: always identify letters as you read
and write
- ✓ 3. Practise reading aloud
- ✓ 4. Check spellings when you write
- ✓ 5. Include new grammar structures and vocabulary in your work
- ✓ 6. Extend sentences with connectives
- ✓ 7. Give opinions, positive and negative
- ✓ 8. Identify cognates to help you in reading and listening

You will be assessed throughout the year through class work, including peer assessment, and through home work tasks. There is also a formal end-of-year assessment.

Your teacher will assess your work in the following skills:
Listening
Speaking
Reading
Writing