



Year 9 Russian Curriculum



In Year 9 you will learn Russian within the topic areas below. In addition, finding out about cultural life in Russia will increase your understanding of how people live there.

These are the year 9 **topic areas**:

- Countries
- Holidays
- School – subjects, timetable, uniform, clubs
- Celebrations, birthdays and gifts
- Music, TV, films
- Describing a person

And here are the **new grammar points**:

- the past tense
- the future tense
- present tense conjugations
- the 'а to y, я to ю' rule
- ordinal numbers
- dates
- superlatives

You will find out about these aspects of **Russian culture**:

- the dacha
- schools
- Shrove week
- Music

As in Year 8, you will practise these **language skills**:

Listening : to your teacher, to recorded texts, to each other

Speaking : to your partner(s), to your teacher, practising pronunciation, asking and answering questions, presenting information and opinions

Reading : words, sentences, texts, printed and handwritten

Writing : lettering, spelling, forming sentences, building paragraphs, creating dialogues

Translation : from English to Russian and Russian to English

Your teacher will **assess your progress** through your class work (spoken and written) and home work. You will have vocabulary tests during or at the end of topics . You will also reflect on your own progress and set targets.

Top tip for success

Learn **vocabulary** very regularly. 'Little and often' is what works: 5 words twice a week is good. Do more if you can. By now, you will have found ways of memorising words that work for you. Here are some popular methods:

- Make flashcards or word 'post-its'
- Invent rhymes and raps
- Teach the words to someone else
- Play a vocabulary game with a fellow Russian student
- Quizlet: Presdales y9 Russian has readymade sets of words. You can also make your own.
- Dream up sentences or funny stories building in the words
- Think about each word: what does it remind you of?

Use this checklist to ensure that your Russian shows progress through the year:

- Is your lettering correct, including capital letters?
- Is your pronunciation / spelling / grammar good?
- Have you extended sentences with connectives?
- Have you expressed opinions and given reasons for them?
- Have you used the full range of vocabulary you know (eg. frequencies, adjectives, modifiers, synonyms for common words)?
- Are different tenses used well?
- Is what you say/write engaging and organised?

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