



Exercise 2 Represent the basic sounds in the following words:

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| 1. спаси́бо | сп{A}с ^b {I}б{O} |
| 2. тво́й | тв{O}й |
| 3. тво́я | тв{O}й{A} |
| 4. живё́т | ж{I}в ^b {O}т |
| 5. понима́ет
(same verb ending as in 4) | п{O}н ^b {I}м{A}й{O}т |
| 6. большо́е | б{O}л ^b ш{O}й{E} |
| 7. хоро́шее
(same adj. ending as in 6) | х{O}р{O}ш{O}й{E} |
| 8. Лю́ба | л ^b {U}б{A} |
| 9. пью́т | п ^b й{U}т |
| 10. Ива́н | {I}в{A}н |
| 11. окно́ | {O}кн{O} |
| 12. зда́ние
(same noun ending as in 11) | зд{A}н ^b {I}й{O} |



Exercise 3 Answer the following questions.

1. What sound is represented by the third letter in the word **ден**? Explain your answer.

You can't tell – it could be д or д^b, depending on the next letter (if any). If the next letter is a hard-indicating vowel (а, э, ы, о, у) or another consonant, or ∅, then it's д. If the next letter is a soft-indicating vowel (я, е, и, ё, ю) or ь, then the basic sound is д^b.

2. What sound is represented by the third letter in the word **м**? Explain your answer.

You can't tell – if the second letter is anything except a consonant – either a vowel or ь/ъ, then я represents a [й] sound in addition to the basic vowel {A}. (If я were the first letter in the word it would also represent a [й] sound.) If the second letter is a consonant, then я represents {A}, in addition to indicating that the consonant is soft – but no [й] sound.



Exercise 4 Correct the violations of spelling rules (not all words have violations):

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| 1. гы́та́ра | гита́ра | 2. жа́ба | жа́ба |
| 3. Е́льцин | ОК | 4. хоро́ший | хоро́ший |
| 5. Хрущёв | ОК | 6. шы́т | шит |
| 7. дороге́й | дорого́й | 8. чу́до | чу́до |
| 9. плохое́ | ОК | 10. се́рдцэ | се́рдце |



Exercise 5 Explain any 'misleading' spelling combinations (inherently hard consonants followed by a Soft-indicating vowel, or vice versa)

ИН – inherently hard / IS – inherently soft / SI – soft indicating / HI – hard indicating

1. шесть	ИН ш + SI е	2. чудáк	IS ч + HI у
3. хорóшее	ИН ш + SI и	4. женá	ИН ж + SI е
5. большóй	OK	6. царь	OK
7. Жóра	OK	8. щадíть	IS щ + HI а
9. жир	ИН ж + SI и	10. плéчи	OK



Exercise 6 Translate into Russian (*Before doing this exercise, you may want to look over the dialogues in lessons 1-11 to review fixed expressions*):

- + Hi, what's new? – Don't ask.
+ Привéт, что слы́шно? – Не спрашивай!
- My younger sister is a lawyer. Her husband is a doctor.
Моя млáдшая сестра – адвокáт. Её муж – врач.
- + What's your name? – My name is (*appropriate response*).
+ Как вас (тебя́) зову́т? – Меня́ зову́т Люба / Дима / Степа́ / Ната́ша.
- Tea, please. This isn't tea, this is coffee. What did I say? I said 'tea'!
Чай, пожа́луйста. Э́то не чай, э́то ко́фе. Что я сказа́л(а)? Я сказа́л(а) «ча́й»!
- + Thank you. – Don't mention it.
+ Спаси́бо. – Не́ за что.