Семьдесят первый урок

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Пе́сня / Стихотворе́ние

Грамма́тика: A. Dreaming

Б: Being Tired

Спят уста́лые поду́шки This is the theme song to the very popular children's program «Споко́йной но́чи малыши́» (малы́ш = little one).

уста́лые игру́шки , кни́жки спят.		
Одея́ла и поду́шки	ребя́т.	
Даже сказка		
	присни́ться.	
	: ба́ю-бай.	
Обяза́тельно		
	дрёма во́зле	
	,	
У́тро муд		
Гла́зки		
Ба́ю-бай,	спать	
	уста́ли,	
Гла́зки		
уста́лый	tired	
игру́ш/ка (е)	toy	
одея́ло	blanket	
поду́ш/ка (е)	pillow	
ребя́та	guys	
ска́з/ка (о)	fairy tale	
сни́+ся // при- + dative	dream about (See grammar.)	
ба́ю-бай	Sound made near cradle to get baby to sleep	
обязательный	without fail; absolutely	
дрёма	sleepiness	
ýтро ночи мудренее (утро вечера мудренее)	A variation of the fixed expression У́тро ве́чера мудрене́е meaning "One is wiser in the morning; Sleep on it – and you'll find a better answer in the morning"	
устал -а, -и	become tired (See grammar)	

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Use your knowledge of case to fill in the words with the proper endings. You will need to consult the слова́рь.

1	Звук	и глухо́й		
2	Плода́,			
3	Среди́			
4	Глубо́кой	лесной		
	1908 (Notice how old the poet was when he wrote this)			

Слова́рь

1	звук	sound
1	глухо́й	muffled; indistinct
2	плод	fruit (also figurative)
2	срывай+ся // сорва+ся	break off; break loose
2	дре́во	Old Slavic form for де́рево
3	среди́ + genitive	among
3	немо́лчный	incessant; unceasing
3	напе́в	tune; melody
4	глубо́кий	deep
	ме́лкий	shallow
4	тишина́	Noun from ти́хий
4	лесной	Adjective from nec

71.A Dreaming About Something

In line four we find the phrase **Чтобы́ но́чью нам принсни́ться** So that we can dream about it (the fairy tale). Let's see how to express what you dream about in Russian. (It's quite different from English.)

The syntax is:

Dative (Dreamer) + сни́+...ся // при- + Nominative - Thing dreamed of (Or a clause in что)

So, if you want to say *I dreamed of Jeanie*, Jeanie would be the subject in nominative, and the past tense verb would be agree and be feminine (при)сни́лась. When the "subject" (thing dreamed of) is a clause, the neuter (при)сни́лось is used, followed by что. Notice that in English this construction uses the preposition "about," while there is no preposition at all in Russian. Some examples:

Bépa часто снится Коле. Kolya often dreams about Vera.

Мне никогда́ не сня́тся де́ньги. I never dream about money.

Я боюсь, что мне сего́дня приснится Миша. I'm afraid I'm going to dream about Misha

tonight.

Ему́ сего́дня присни́лся кошма́р. He had a nightmare last night.

Сми́рзеру ча́сто сни́тся Ми́стер Бёрнс. Smithers often dreams about Mr. Burns.

Ему́ присни́лись щи. He dreamt about shchi.

Что тебé обычно снится?What do you ususally dream about?Что вам сего́дня присни́лось?What did you dream about last night?

Táне присни́лось, что она вышла замуж за Tanya dreamt that she married a famous actor.

знаменитого актёра.

You can also use the noun **coh** (o) *dream* to describe what kind of dreams you have:

В после́днее вре́мя мне сня́тся стра́нные сны. I've been having strange dreams lately. Ве́ре сего́дня присни́лся стра́шный сон. Vera had a terrifying dream last night.



Переведите на русский

- 1. Last night I dreamt of Vera.
- 3. What did you dream about last night?
- 5. She often dreams about elephants.
- 7. Masha dreamt that she was at a funeral.
- 9. Do you usually remember what you dream about?
- 2. Last night I dreamt of Putin.
- 4. Last night I dreamt that I was a famous (male) actor. (*Think about tense!*)
- 6. Lately I been having very strange dreams.
- 8. I had a nightmare last night.
- 10. I dreamt about you (F) again.

71.5 Being Tired

In line 13 we find the phrase **За день мы уста́ли о́чень** We are very tired at the end of the day. Let's look at how to express the idea of being tired (because English speakers often make a mistake when trying to say "I'm tired").

The verb {ycтай+' / ycтавай+} // ycта́н+ means to become tired, often as a result of working / study / being engaged in an activity for a long time. We stress that the verb {ycтай+' / ycтавай+} // ycта́н+ refers to the result — the end point — of becoming tired. So, you cannot walk into a 9AM class and say "Я уста́ла" to mean "I'm tired (because I didn't get enough sleep)". Instead, you should say Я не выспалась. On the other hand, if it's 11PM, you can say Я уста́л simply to indicate that you are tired (and want to sleep) at the end of the day. And that's precisely the meaning we see in the song, where we have за день мы уста́ли we're tired at the end of the day. Some other examples:

Я весь день работала как вол. Я уста́ла. I worked like a dog all day. I'm tired.

Он всегда́ устаёт к концу́ дня. He always gets tired toward the end of the day.

Коне́чно, Ве́ра уста́ла. Она́ же весь день бе́гала по Of course Vera is tired. She ran around the city го́роду. all day.

71.A.1 Tired of doing Something

You can also use an infinitive following {ycтай+' / ycтавай+} // ycтан+ to indicate that you can no longer do the activity because you have already done it to exhaustion. Often the prepostion "from" in used in this meaning, though even that does not express the entire idea. See below for problem with translating this into English.

Я устала читать. I can't read anymore (because I'm tried from

reading)

Oн устал стоять. He's tired from standing (and can't stand any

longer)

Ни́на уста́ла занима́ться. Nina is all studied out.

Мы уста́ли жда́ть. We can no longer wait because we have grown

tired from waiting.

The basic idea expressed in the sentences above is not that hard to grasp, we just don't normally express this in English. English does, however, have the expression "be (sick and) tired of doing something," but this phrase, as we saw in Lesson 48, is translated as кому́ надое́ло + infinitive. (Recall that Rebecca was expressing the fact that she was tired on living on the West Coast.) In Russian this phrase indicates that the person no longer has any desire to continue the action, and has nothing to do with physical exhaustion. You cannot use {ycтай+'/ycта́н+} in this meaning. Compare the following sentences:

Мне надоело заниматься.

I'm sick and tired of studying.

Ему́ надое́ло писа́ть. He's sick and tired of writing. Я устал заниматься.

I can't study anymore (because I'm tired).

Он устал писать.

I can't write anymore (because I've been writing all

day).



Переведите на русский:

- 1. I'm (m) tired (after working all day).
- 3. She's tired at the end of the day.
- 5. She usually gets tired toward evening.
- 7. I'm (m) tired (because I didn't get enough sleep).
- 9. Boris is (sick and) tired of helping Vera.

- 2. I'm (sick and) tired of studying.
- 4. I'm (f) tired from studying (and can't study anymore).
- 6. We're (sick and tired) of listening to you.
- 8. Are you tired (m) (because you've been running for 20 minutes)?
- 10. I'm (m) tired of walking (because I've been walking all day).

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Упражнение 1

Переведи́те пе́сню и стихотворе́ние и пошли́те по e-mail ва́шему преподава́телю.

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Упражнение 2 Переведите на русский:

- 1. Last night I dreamt (finish as you wish)
- 2. I often dream of you.
- 3. (At 9AM) I'm tired.
- 4. (At midnight) Are you tired?
- 5. I'm the smartest among my friends.
- 6. I'm tired of studying all the time.
- 7. My (female) cousin has a ton of expensive toys.