

The Cyrillic alphabet

Upper-case and lower-case letters

Russian has 33 letters. Each letter has a big form and a small form. Big letters start sentences and names. Some letters look like Latin letters, but every letter here is Cyrillic. The chart shows the letters in order. б and в are special letters; they are not vowels.

Example: $A \rightarrow a$. This is one letter in two forms.

Why? Some small forms look different. Learn each pair together.

The Russian letters in order

А а	Б б	В в	Г г	Д д	Е е	Ё ё	Ж ж	З з	И и	Й й
К к	Л л	М м	Н н	О о	П п	Р р	С с	Т т	У у	Ф ф
Х х	Ц ц	Ч ч	Ш ш	Щ щ	Ъ ъ	Ы ы	Ь ь	Э э	Ю ю	Я я

Write the small form of each big letter.

Write both small forms when an exercise shows two letters.

01. А
02. Б В
03. Г Д
04. Е Ё
05. Ж З
06. И Й
07. К Л
08. М Н
09. О П
10. Р С
11. Т У
12. Ф Х
13. Ц Ч
14. Ш Щ
15. Ъ Ы
16. Ь Э
17. Ю Я
18. З Ё
19. Щ Ф
20. Й Ц

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Continue · Alphabet order and vowel letters

Continue. Complete each sequence or write the letter asked for.

For the last five items, write the vowel letters in the order they appear.

21. Write the missing letter: А Б _ Г Д _____
22. Write the missing letter: Е Ё _ З И _____
23. Write the missing letter: И Й _ Л М _____
24. Write the missing letter: Н О _ Р С _____
25. Write the missing letter: Т У _ Х Ц _____
26. Write the missing letter: Ч Ш _ Ъ Ы _____
27. Write the missing letter: Ы Ь _ Ю Я _____
28. Write the missing letter: А _ В Г Д _____
29. Write the missing letter: К Л _ Н О _____
30. Write the missing letter: П Р _ Т У _____
31. Write the letter before Г. _____
32. Write the letter after З. _____
33. Write the letter before М. _____
34. Write the letter after У. _____
35. Write the letter before Я. _____
36. Write the vowel letters in the order they appear: А, Б, Е, Ж, О _____
37. Write the vowel letters in the order they appear: Ё, К, И, Н, П _____
38. Write the vowel letters in the order they appear: Р, У, Ф, Э, Ю _____
39. Write the vowel letters in the order they appear: Я, В, Ы, М, Т _____
40. Write the vowel letters in the order they appear: О, Ц, А, З, Е _____

Answer key

The missing letter or form is shown in bold.

Full answers are given. For the last five items, answers follow the order in each group.

ANSWERS 01-20

01. A becomes **a**.

02. Б, В become **б, в**.

03. Г, Д become **г, д**.

04. Е, Ё become **е, ё**.

05. Ж, З become **ж, з**.

06. И, Ы become **и, й**.

07. К, Л become **к, л**.

08. М, Н become **м, н**.

09. О, П become **о, п**.

10. Р, С become **р, с**.

11. Т, У become **т, у**.

12. Ф, Х become **ф, х**.

13. Ц, Ч become **ц, ч**.

14. Ш, Щ become **ш, щ**.

15. Ъ, Ы become **ъ, ы**.

16. Ь, Э become **ь, э**.

17. Ю, Я become **ю, я**.

18. Ѕ, Ё become **з, ё**.

19. Щ, Ф become **щ, ф**.

20. Ы, Ц become **й, ц**.

ANSWERS 21-40

21. The missing letter is **В**.

22. The missing letter is **Ж**.

23. The missing letter is **К**.

24. The missing letter is **П**.

25. The missing letter is **Ф**.

26. The missing letter is **Щ**.

27. The missing letter is **Э**.

28. The missing letter is **Б**.

29. The missing letter is **М**.

30. The missing letter is **С**.

31. The letter before Г is **В**.

32. The letter after З is **И**.

33. The letter before М is **Л**.

34. The letter after У is **Ф**.

35. The letter before Я is **Ю**.

36. The vowel letters are **А, Е, О**.

37. The vowel letters are **Ё, И**.

38. The vowel letters are **У, Э, Ю**.

39. The vowel letters are **Я, Ы**.

40. The vowel letters are **О, А, Е**.