



## 1. Things you need to know

Это важно знать!

1.

Yes, it's great to begin with a word of agreement: **Yes**

**да**

**da**

2.

After saying “yes”, sometimes there’s no choice but to say “no”... From the tone you can tell that no means **No!**

**нет**

**net**

3.

Now that we’ve mastered “yes” and “no”, it’s time to ask for something, and say **Please**

**пожалуйста**

**razha^lusta**

4.

If we get what we asked for, we probably want to say thanks: you can just say **Thank You**

**спасибо**

**spasi^ba**

5.

And you can also add emphasis by saying **Thanks a Lot**

**большое**

**спасибо!**

**bal'sho^ye**

**spasiba!**

6.

Usually you'll get a standard response, such as "my pleasure", "no problem", or a modest response like: **You're welcome**

**не за что**  
**ne^ za shto**

7.

Now we already know how to put words together and say: **Yes, please**

**да, пожалуйста**  
**da, pazha^lusta**

8.

Or: **No, thank you**

**нет, спасибо**  
**net, spasi^ba**

9.

"Excuse me" is an interesting phrase. When we want to be polite, get someone's attention, make a comment, ask for something, the correct phrase is "excuse me". For example, "Excuse me please, you're stepping on my foot!" – **Excuse me**

**ИЗВИНИТЕ**  
**izvini^te**

10.

There is also a way to ask for forgiveness – "Ooh, I beg your pardon, I didn't mean it!" If we accidentally hurt someone, we can say **I beg your pardon**

**прошу прощения**  
**prashu^ prasche^niya**

11.

When we want to express true sorrow or to apologize, the appropriate phrase is: **Sorry**

**простите**  
**prasti^te**

12.

And when everything is fine, you can say: **It's okay**

**нормально**  
**norma^l'na**

13.

Moving on to some "dating phrases". The first word you'll probably say at the beginning of the date is: **Hello**

**привет**  
**prive^t**

14.

And when you part ways? It's always nice to say, I had a great time, hope to see

you soon, **Goodbye**

**до свиданья**  
**da svida^n'ya**

15.

Sometimes you do want to see that person again, and sometimes you say “see you” just to be polite... in either case, we say: **See you**

**пока!**  
**рака^!**

16.

I wonder why almost every language has a special greeting for mornings. When you meet someone in the morning, you say: **Good morning!**

**доброе утро!**  
**do^braye u^tra!**

17.

And there is also a special greeting for the afternoon: **Good afternoon!**

**добрый день!**  
**do^bryj den'!**

18.

When you meet someone in the evening, you say: **Good evening!**

**добрый вечер!**  
**do^bryj ve^chir!**

19.

And at night, when you are ready to go to sleep, you guessed right! – we say **Good night!**

**спокойной ночи!**  
**спako^jnaj no^chi!**

20.

After a good night's sleep, we're ready to start the new day. Or maybe we want to welcome a guest, or maybe someone is happy to meet us and says: “Good to see you... **Welcome!**”

**добро пожаловать!**  
**dabro^ pazha^lavat'!**

21.

When people meet each other, they usually exchange “small talk”. They aren't always interested in a specific answer, but they show interest: **What's new?**

**как дела?**  
**как dila^?**  
**что нового?**  
**shto no^vava?**

22.

How are you today?

как самочувствие?  
kak samach'u^stviye?

23.

Some people simply ask, **How are you doing today?**

как дела?  
kak dila^?

24.

Most people expect a polite answer and not a list of complaints... You can simply say: **Fine, thanks**

спасибо, хорошо  
spasi^ba, harasho^

25.

**Everything's fine with me. What about you?**

у меня всё хорошо  
u min'a^ fs'o^ harasho^  
а у вас?  
a u vas?

26.

And if everything was okay, or at least no one complained, you can say politely: I enjoyed myself, **I had a lovely time**

было очень приятно  
by^lo o^chin' priya^tna

27.

And your host will probably reply: "It's my pleasure".

Yes, it's always a good idea to be polite... **It's my pleasure**

с удовольствием!  
s udavo^l'stviyem!

28.

And so, continuing to be polite, let us part by saying: **I wish you...**

я вам желаю...  
ya vam zhila^yu

29.

You could also say "best wishes", or "all the best", and maybe even wish someone **Good luck**

успеха  
uspe^ha

30.

You could, of course, add a little more detail, such as: **Good health and happiness**

здоровья и счастья  
zdarov'ja i schast'ja

31.

And there's also **Happy Holiday**

счастливого праздника  
sch'isli'vava praznika

32.

And of course **Happy New Year**

счастливого Нового года  
sch'isli'vava nov'ogo goda

33.

Another way of saying goodbye is **Bon voyage**

счастливого пути  
sch'isli'vava puti

34.

Hey, kid, how old are you?! **Happy birthday**

с днем рождения!  
z dnyom razhdeniya!

35.

And to mark a wedding anniversary, you would say **Happy anniversary**

с годовщиной!  
z gadavschinaj!

36.

Have a good time, **Enjoy your stay**

счастливого дня  
sch'isli'vava dn'a

37.

And **Have a nice day**

приятного дня  
priyatnava dn'a

38.

And you could always add this greeting: **All the best**

всего хорошего  
fsivo haroshiva



## 12. Hotels

Гостиница

355.

Now that we've landed safely, filled in all the forms and set out as tourists... let's think about the most common situations we may encounter. We'll begin at the hotel. Make a reservation in advance to make sure there's a room... **Making Hotel Reservations**

**заказ номера в гостинице**  
**zaka^z no^mira v gasti^nitse**

356.

If you didn't make a reservation, your first question to the hotel clerk is: **Hello, do you have a vacancy?**

**у вас есть свободные номера?**  
**u vas jes't' svabo^dnyje namira^?**

357.

Here's the answer you don't want to hear: **Sorry, everything's taken**

**сожалеем, мест нет**  
**sazhyle^im, mest net**

358.

If you did make a reservation, you can say: **I have a reservation**

**номер для меня заказан**  
**no^mir dl'a minya^ zaka^zan**

359.

And if not, try your luck and hope for the best: **I don't have a reservation**

**нет, номер не заказан**  
**net, no^mir ni zaka^zan**

360.

Maybe you need to give more information: **I need a room...**

**мне нужен номер**  
**mne nu^zhen no^mir**

361.

for one night

на одну ночь  
na adnu^ noch'

362.

for two adults and two children

для двух взрослых и двух детей  
dl'a dvuh vzro^slyh i dvuh dite^j

363.

This may sound odd, but based on experience it's a good idea to add: **with a bathroom**

с ванной  
s va^nnoj

364

with a single bed or a double bed

с односпальной кроватью  
s adnaspa^l'naj krava^t'yu  
с двухспальной кроватью  
z dvuspa^l'naj krava^t'yu

365.

Where is the room? **on the first floor**

на первом этаже  
na pe^rvam itazhe^

366.

Or maybe **on the top floor**

на последнем этаже  
na pasle^dnim itazhe^

367.

Do I need to take the stairs to get **upstairs**

подняться по лестнице  
padn'a^tsa pa le^snitse

368.

Or to get **downstairs**

спуститься по лестнице  
spusti^tsa pa le^snitse

369.

But I have suitcases... Is there an elevator? **elevator**

лифт  
lift

370.

The hotel's location is important for tourists and also affects the price. A hotel can be downtown, near the train station or in the suburbs. It's always good to know the hotel's exact address. **Where are you located?**

**где вы расположены?**  
**gde vy raspolo^zhiny?**

**371.**

If the location isn't clear, you can always ask: **How do I get there from...?**

**как я могу добраться до вас от...**  
**kak ya mogu^ dabra^tsa da vas ot**

**372.**

And of course, to avoid any surprises... **How much does it cost?**

**сколько это стоит?**  
**sko^lka e^ta sto^it?**

**373.**

This is not always obvious... **Does the price include breakfast?**

**в эту цену входит завтрак**  
**v e^tu tse^nu fho^dit za^ftrak**

**374.**

Let's review meals! first, **breakfast**

**завтрак**  
**za^ftrak**

**375.**

**lunch**

**обед**  
**abe^t**

**376.**

**supper**

**ужин**  
**u^zhin**

**377.**

We've almost forgotten the hotel clerk on the phone... what should we tell him?

We'll take the room! **Thank you, I'll be there by... 4**

**спасибо, я приеду**  
**к четырем часам**  
**spasi^ba, ya prije^du**  
**k chityr'o^m chisa^m**

**378.**

Most countries that welcome tourists have tourist information offices. Most hotels also have a tourist desk to answer tourists' questions... **Tourist Information**

**информация для туристов**



**infarma^tsiya dl'a turi^staf**

**379.**

Fill in the following question as needed: **Excuse me, where can I find...?**

**простите, где находится?**

**prasti^ti gde naho^ditsa?**

**380.**

Maybe we'll separate to shop in the market. We need a... **meeting point**

**место встречи**

**me^sta fstre^chi**

**381.**

Perhaps you have a free **map of the city**

**карта города**

**karta go^rada**

**382.**

Can you help me find ... **a car rental agency**

**агентство по прокату автомобилей**

**age^ntstva pa parka^tu aftamabi^lej?**

**383.**

Actually, maybe I'd prefer a **taxi stand** or a **bus stop**

**стоянка такси**

**staya^nka taksi^**

**остановка автобуса**

**astano^fka afto^busa**

**384.**

**A train to...**

**поезд до...**

**po^ist do**