

Vocabulary	RUSSIAN	PRONUNCIATION	ENGLISH
	здравствуйте	zdrastvuYTE	hello
	привет	privet	hi
	меня зовут	menya zovut	my name
	семья	semya	the family
	папа	papa	the father
	мама	mama	the mother
	сын/дочка	son/dochka	the son/the daughter
	брат/сестра	brat/sestra	the brother/the sister
	дедушка	dedyshhka	the grandfather
	бабушка	babushka	the grandmother
	внук	vnuk	the grandson
	внучка	vnuchka	the granddaughter
	дядя/тётя	dyadya/tyotyа	the uncle/the aunt
	двоюродный брат/	dvourodnyi brat/	the cousin
	двоюродная сестра	dvourodnaya sestra	"
	племянник/	plemyanik/	the nephew/
	племянница	plemyanitsa	the niece
	младенец	mladenets	the baby
	мальчик/девочка	malchik/devochka	the boy/the girl (young)
	юноша/девушка	unosha/devushka	the boy/the girl (adolescent)
	взрослый	vzroslyi	the adult
	собака	sobaka	the dog
	кошка	koshka	the cat
	весна	vesna	the spring
	лето	leto	the summer
	осень	osen	the autumn/the fall
	зима	zima	the winter
	дождь	dozhd'	the rain
	снег	sneg	the snow
	мороз	moroz	the cold
	жара	zhara	the heat
	ветер	veter	the wind
	петь	pet'	to sing

* **PAGE 2 PREP:** Ask the students to think about flowers or vegetables they would like to grow. If you want, have them pick a couple of their favorite flowers or vegetables to bring to class. Also bring vegetables to cut up, brown paper bags, and toothpicks.

Side 1 of Audio Cassette
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Teacher's Guide

- Materials** Audio cassette player, *Teach Me More Russian* book and cassette for each student, crayons or markers, Masha poster, world map or globe, and pictures of the seasons.
- Objectives** The students will discuss their previous knowledge of Russian and will be encouraged to communicate in Russian with their classmates.
- They will learn the Russian names for family members and will be introduced to the four seasons.
- Introduction** Introduce yourself (in Russian) to the students with, “Здравствуйте меня зовут...*your name*.” (“Hello, my name is...”). Use the map or globe to show the parts of the world where people speak Russian.
- If the students want to be less formal, they can say “Привет.” This is the Russian word for “Hi.”
- Activities**
1. Play the audio cassette up to where Masha (Marie) introduces herself and Petya (Peter), her brother.
 2. Have the students introduce themselves to neighboring classmates. They may want to choose a special Russian name. (See the list on page 32 of this guide.)
 3. Play and sing “Ты поёшь” (*You'll Sing a Song*).
 4. Play “Меня зовут...” (“My Name Is...”). One student is “It.” “It” goes to the front of the room with his or her back to the class. “Its” eyes must be closed. One of the other students is picked to go squat behind “It.” The student says, “Меня зовут,” but does not say his or her name. “It” must guess the student’s name by responding, “Тебя зовут...*name guessed*” (Your name is...). Later the students can try to disguise their voices.
 5. Have the students create their own family tree. Label the people in Russian. Example: my father = мой папа.
 6. Present the opportunity for the students to initiate Russian speaking pen pals. (See page 35 of this guide.)
- Closure** Ask the students to practice the new Russian phrases with their families and friends.
- Have the students color page 1 in *Teach Me More Russian*.

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The language used in Russia and throughout the other Russian-speaking areas is part of the Slavic family. Polish, Czech, Slovak, Serbian, and Croatian are also part of this group. The Russian alphabet is called Cyrillic. There are 33 letters, 31 of which represent sounds. Some sounds are the same as we have in English and some are different.

Russian nouns have one of three genders: masculine, feminine, and neutral. These genders are indicated by word endings; for example: мама (mother) is feminine, брат (brother) is masculine, and окно (window) is neutral.

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