



# ADVENTURES IN LANGUAGE



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**народ** (naROT, "nation")

**толпа** (talPA, "crowd")

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**ангел** (ANgil, "angel")

**лебедь** (LYEbit, "swan")

**гном** (gnom, "dwarf")

**сын** (syn, "son")

**пион** (piON, "peony")

**пешка** (PESHka, "pawn (chess)")

**Бог** (BOkh, "God")

**солнце** (SONtsye, "sun")

**дождь** (dozht, "rain")

**луна** (looNA, "moon")

**туз** (toos, "an ace (card)")

**муравей** (mooraVYEI, "ant")

**русалка** (rooSALka, "mermaid")

**семья** (simYA, "family")

**человечество** (chilaVYEchistva, "humanity")

**инженер** (inzhyNYER, "engineer")

**ветер** (VYEtir, "wind")

**телефон** (tiliFON, "phone")

**кот** (kot, "cat")

**компьютер** (kamPYUtir, "computer")

**лев** (lyef, "lion")

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**матрёшка** (matRYOSHka, "nesting doll")

**Земля** (zimLYA, "Earth")

**неваляшка** (nivaLYASHka, "tumbler (toy)")

**клён** (klyon, "maple tree")

**армия** (ARmiya, "army")

**войско** (VOYska, "troop")

**молодёжь** (malaDYOSH, "youth")

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## 2 Translate into Russian. (Pay attention to the endings in accusative case.)

1. I see a dove and its nest.
2. It was cool today on the beach. Clouds covered the sun.
3. He loves his son.
4. We would like to have tuna for lunch.
5. She prefers phones over computers.
6. They do not know this engineer.
7. Do you love this robot?
8. She did not know the dead man.
9. The internet influences young people (youth).
10. They believe in God.
11. They invited grandma and grandpa over (to their place).
12. They did not notice famous people at the reception.
13. I don't like these epic artists.
14. Children saw a nesting doll, a transformer, and a Cheburashka in the toy store.

<b>Masc. anim.</b>	noun	<b>а</b> (a) - <b>я</b> (ya)
	adjective	<b>ого</b> (Ova) - <b>его</b> (YEva)
<b>Fem anim.</b>	noun	<b>у</b> (oo) - <b>ю</b> (yu)
	adjective	<b>ую</b> (ooYU) - <b>юю</b> (yuYU)
<b>Plural anim.</b>	masculine noun	<b>ов-ев-ей</b> (ov - ev- YEyi)
	masculine adjective	<b>их - ых</b> (ikh- ykh)
	feminine noun	<b>ей - о</b> (YEyi- drop the ending)
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1. Я вижу **голубя и его гнездо**.  
ya VEEzhoo GOloobyA i yiVO gnisDO.
2. На пляже было прохладно сегодня. Облака закрывали **солнце**.  
na PLYzhe byLA prakhLADna sivodNYA. ablaKA zakryVALi sontse.
3. Он любит своего **сына**.  
on LYUbit svaiVO SYna.
4. Мы хотим **тунца** на обед.  
my khaTEEM toonTSA na aBYET.
5. Она предпочитает **телефоны** компьютерам.  
aNA pritpachiTAit tiliFOny kamPYUtiram.
6. Они знают **этого инженера**.  
aNEE ZNAYut Etava inzhyNYEra.
7. Ты любишь **этого робота**?  
ty LYUbish Etava RObata?
8. Она не знала **покойника**.  
aNA ni ZNAla raKOYnika.
9. Интернет влияет на **молодежь**.  
interNET vliYait na malaDYOSH.
10. Они верят в **Бога**.  
aNEE VYeryat f BOga.
11. Они пригласили **бабушку и дедушку** в гости.  
anEE priglaSEeli BAbooshkoo i DYEdooshkoo vGOsti.
12. Они не заметили **известных людей** на приёме.  
aNEE ni zaMYEtili izVYESnykh IyuDYEY na priYOMye.
13. Я не люблю этих **эпатажных артистов**.  
ya ni IyubLYU Etikh ipaTAZHnykh arTEEstaf.
14. В магазине игрушек дети видели **матрешку, трансформера и Чебурашку**.  
v magaZEEni igROOshk DYETi VEEdili matRYOSHkoo, transFORMira i chibooRASHkoo.

