

Alphabet 2—The Russian Alphabet

| Letter | Letter Name | English Equivalent | Sounds Like |
|--------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| А а | "ah" | A a | Like "a" in car |
| Б б | "beh" | B b | Like "b" in bat |
| В в | "veh" | V v | Like "v" in van |
| Г г | "geh" | G g | Like "g" in go |
| Д д | "deh" | D d | Like "d" in dog |
| Е е | "yeh" | YE ye | Like "ye" in yet |
| Ё ё | "yo" | YO yo | Like "yo" in yonder |
| Ж ж | "zheh" | Zh zh | Like "s" in measure or pleasure or "g" in beige (the color) |
| З з | "zeh" | Z z | Like "z" in zoo |
| И и | "ee" | EE ee | Like "ee" in see |
| Й й | "ee kratkoyeh" | I i or Y y | like "y" in boy or toy |
| К к | "kah" | K k | Like "k" in kitten , "c" in cat |
| Л л | "ehl" | L l | Like "l" in light |
| М м | "ehm" | M m | Like "m" in mat |
| Н н | "ehn" | N n | Like "n" in no |
| О о | "oh" | O o | Like "o" in bore (when stressed) Like "a" in car (when unstressed) |
| П п | "peh" | P p | Like "p" in pot |
| Р р | "ehr" | R r | Like "r" in run (rolled) |
| С с | "ehs" | S s | Like "s" in Sam |
| Т т | "teh" | T t | Like "t" in tap |
| У у | "oo" | U u | Like "oo" in boot |
| Ф ф | "ehf" | F f | Like "f" in fat |
| Х х | "khah" | H h, KH kh | Like "h" in hello or like the "ch" in Scottish loch or German Bach |
| Ц ц | "tseh" | TS ts | Like "ts" in bits |
| Ч ч | "cheh" | CH ch | Like "ch" in chip |
| Ш ш | "shah" | SH sh (hard) | Like "sh" in shut |
| Щ щ | "schyah" | SH sh (soft) | Like "sh" in sheep |
| Ъ ъ | "tvyordiy znahk" (hard sign) | — | Letter before is hard |
| Ы ы | "i" | I i | Like "i" in ill |
| Ь ь | "myagkeey znahk" (soft sign) | — | Letter before is soft |
| Э э | "eh" | E e | Like "e" in pet |
| Ю ю | | YU yu | Like "u" in use or university |
| Я я | | YA ya | Like "ya" in yard |