

**WORLD, LABOUR, MAY: Russian Taster Session**  
**6 May 2019, Durham Miners' Association**  
**Polina Kliuchnikova, Durham University**

Before we start, could you please answer these questions:

1. How old are you? 50
2. What is your first/native language? English
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
none
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
Hard, Cyrillic, exotic



**Thank you (Спасибо!) for taking part in this session!**

Just a couple of questions before you get back to the event:

1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
Russian!
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
less hard, Cyrillic, still exotic!

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Before we start, could you please answer these questions:

1. How old are you? 37
2. What is your first/native language? English
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
French, Russian, Italian.
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
alphabet, hard!, accents (argh!)



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1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
Russian perfectly please!
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
мир нруг мам!



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Before we start, could you please answer these questions:

1. How old are you? 47
2. What is your first/native language? ENGLISH
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
SWEDISH (FROM CHILDHOOD) SOME GERMAN
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
ALIEN CHARACTERS IN ALPHABET;  
HISTORIC / ANCIENT ; DIFFICULT.



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1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
POLISHING UP MY SWEDISH AT THE  
MOMENT. I MIGHT TRY SOME RUSSIAN!
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
MORE FAMILIAR THAN I THOUGHT /  
EASIER TO SAY / NOT SO SPARY.

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Before we start, could you please answer these questions:

1. How old are you? 33
2. What is your first/native language? Ukrainian
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
English, Polish
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
Pushkin, Dostoevsky, Tolstoy



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1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
Slovak, Belarusian, German
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
Мур, Третьяков, МГУ.

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Before we start, could you please answer these questions:

1. How old are you? 43
2. What is your first/native language? ENGLISH
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
FRENCH (A BIT)
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
different alphabet.  
difficult



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1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
Dutch
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
learning it is achievable.

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1. How old are you? 30
2. What is your first/native language? ENGLISH
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
FRENCH
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
DIFFERENT ALPHABET



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1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
I am currently learning Greek.
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
A more alphabet is difficult at first glance  
it is not as ~~intimidating~~ daunting when it is  
explained.

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1. How old are you? 34
2. What is your first/native language? Turkish
3. Which other languages do you know or speak?  
English
4. What are the first three associations which come to your mind about the Russian language?  
The alphabet, War and Peace



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1. What are your plans re language learning? Which languages would you like to learn or speak in the future?  
Spanish, German, Russian
2. Based on your experience of this session, what are your first three associations about the Russian language now?  
Labor Day, the word MNP