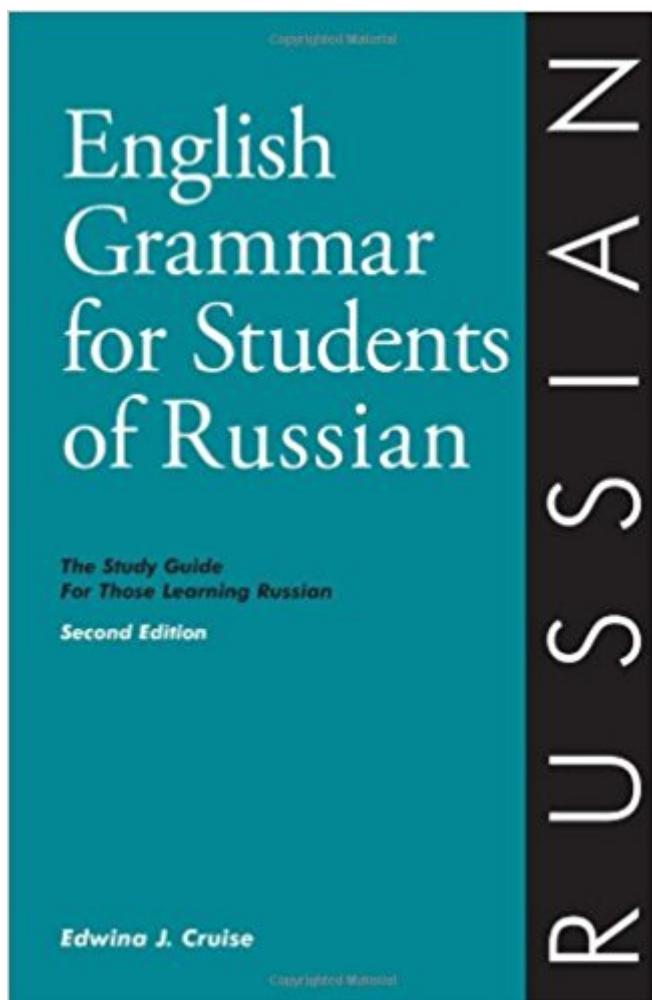


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# English Grammar For Students Of Russian: The Study Guide For Those Learning Russian (English Grammar Series)



## Synopsis

Second edition of this popular self-study guide for students of Russian. Each chapter covers a grammar point: i.e., a part of speech (noun, verb, pronoun, adjective), a word's function in a sentence (subject, direct object, indirect object), a grammatical term (tense, conjugation, declension, gender). Each chapter is divided into two sections: 1. In English: grammar is explained as it relates to English, anticipating concepts necessary for Russian. 2. In Russian: grammar is explained as it relates to Russian, with examples and explanations of the rules applied. Points out similarities, differences, and alerts students to pitfalls. Part of the O&H Study Guide series for students of foreign languages. Experience has shown that students using the O&H Russian Study Guide improve their performance in Russian grammar thanks to a better understanding of English grammar. Teachers can devote more class time to developing communicative skills.

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Cruise's book is one of the most welcome new publications to reach our field. It serves its intended purpose and is appreciated by students. The clear format and typesetting enhance its content. --Slavic and East European Journal

I have collected and been using a large number of Russian courses. I had pretty much come to believe that the grammar was too difficult to ever master because I did not fully understand the descriptions that were given in terms of English grammar such as predicates, intensive pronouns etc. This book served as an excellent refresher of English grammar. Now that I have completed this

book the grammatical descriptions in other books are a lot easier to understand, A LOT EASIER. Think about it. If Russian grammar is described in terms of English grammatical terms, and you are hazy on them, it makes it much harder to comprehend what is being described.

As a native speaker of English, it's been years since I gave much thought to English grammar. That is, of course, until I gave this book a chance. It hadn't occurred to me that the best way to understand another language could be to have a better grasp on my own. English and Russian are directly compared section by section in this little book. Grammatical constructs are clearly delineated and accompanied by many helpful examples. This is by no means comprehensive, but it is nonetheless a good supplementary resource.

This book (actually one in a series of books; others are study guides to Spanish, Latin, French, Italian, German, Japanese, and a 'reverse' book for Spanish speakers learning English) is unique in its concept...the examples are generally well thought-out and easy to understand. In the attempt to be very concise, the material was limited. There are few examples given, and the accompanying grammar information such as all the Russian personal pronouns is not given in the chapter pertaining to each topic. One must refer to a textbook for this. I realize that this book is not a replacement for a textbook, but for better and faster learning, having this information in table form, along with more extensive examples using all different forms of, say, the personal pronouns, would be very helpful. I still highly recommend this book. I wish I had had it two years ago when I started learning Russian on my own.

It has a lot of grammar but not very well organized and not very in depth. I gave it to a student who was struggling with grammar ( no English grammar in high school) and it helped some.

As someone who has recently began studying Russian, I've bought 4 general grammar books, including this one. After having read through them all, I have to say most of them are pretty bad for explaining basic grammar and sentence structure. This one is the best of the lot, and actually shows you how sentences are structured and gives a very good explanation of some of the more annoying and difficult aspects of Russian grammar, such as "cases." Most other books I've read-even when claiming to be "beginning" books-have very little beginner info in them. They go from extremely basic sentences ("this is a book") to fairly complex sentences almost immediately, but there is no good, practical, beginner sentences in them. For example, "I went to the store," or "I want to buy a

book," or "I am watching TV." This book isn't perfect, and it really isn't meant to be a full-fledged grammar book, but it seems to be the one I am coming back to the most for the nuts and bolts of basic grammar. Given the fact it's quite cheap, i'd say you really have nothing to lose here. Give it a try.

I really like the book. it's really helpful in not only refreshing my memory of the english grammar I have learned in the past, but also good in helping me learn the sentence structure of Russian. The only thing is that I wish it went into more depth very brief on each topic! Still, overall a great but Thanks!

Just what I need as an ESL teacher learning Russian. My Russian speaking students who are advanced enough to read it are finding it valuable, too.

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