

Your oral interview consists of two components:

(1) reading out loud one dialogue of two from the video for Live from Russia! to demonstrate your best pronunciation and intonation in Russian; and

(2) playing a role play situation to demonstrate your ability to communicate in Russian.

The entire interview will take no more than 5 minutes. There is a total of 25 points available for both parts; the grade for the interview will consist of the percentage of points awarded.

Notes for Part 1

You do NOT have to memorize the dialogues. Prepare for the recitation of the dialogue by practicing with the DVD from your textbook or on the textbook website. You will record and submit the dialogue on Canvas. This will be done PRIOR to the oral interview (Part 2).

You will choose from either unit 1 (at the airport) or unit 2 (in Kevin's apartment). Both texts will be posted on Chalk. Your performance will be graded on the basis of the following criteria:

Pace (rate of speech): 0-2 points

Pronunciation (systematic errors in voicing/devoicing of consonants, correct placement of stress, correct reduction of unstressed vowels, pronunciation of all syllables and words in the text): 0-4 points

Intonation (consistent use of intonation patterns): 0-4 points

Notes for Part 2

You will be asked to choose one of the following situations at random and to play through it with your instructor:

A: Your friend is showing you pictures of his/her family. Try to guess the identity of the people in the pictures. Find out what their occupations are.

B: Discuss with a friend how you spend a typical day, including where you eat lunch.

You will *not* be assessed on the number of grammatical errors in your communication for this part! Rather, the focus is on successful communication. Your performance in this part of the interview will be graded on the following criteria:

Fulfillment of communication task: 0-3 points

Comprehensibility of your speech: 0-2 points

Your comprehension of my speech (evidenced by appropriate responses): 2 points

Use of appropriate vocabulary: 0-2 points

Pronunciation, intonation: 0-2 points

Pace (rate of speech): 0-2 points

Appropriateness of communication: 0-2 points

Dialogues for Oral Interview I.

Practice by listening along with the video. Try to imitate the intonation of the speakers. You do NOT need to memorize the dialogues. You may want to write in the intonation patterns as you hear them.

Unit 1 (2:44-3:20)

Та́ня: Ке́вин, где ваш бага́ж?

Ке́вин: Вот он.

Та́ня: Так, чемодан тут, сумка тут...

Ке́вин: Но это не мой сумка!

Та́ня: Не ва́ша? Извини́те, это не ва́ша су́мка?

Же́нщина: Да, моя. Спасибо!

Та́ня: Ке́вин, а чемодан ваш?

Ке́вин: Чемодан мой. И рюкза́к то́же мой.

Та́ня: Это всё?

Ке́вин: А где мой фотоаппара́т?

Та́ня: Фотоаппара́т? Где же фотоаппара́т? Вот он!

Ке́вин: Спасибо, Та́ня!

Та́ня: Пожа́луйста!

Unit 2 (0:52-1:43)

Та́ня: Вот вы и до́ма, Ке́вин! Так, где тут ку́хня? Наверно, там.

Кевин: Ой извини́те, это шка́ф?

Та́ня: Нет. Это туа́лет.

Кевин: Ой извини́те, а где шка́ф?

Та́ня: Не знаю. Я ду́маю, он там.

Кевин: Это ку́хня?

Та́ня: Нет, это ванная.

Кевин: Вы не зна́ете, чья́ это кварта́ра? Кто здесь живёт?

Та́ня: Я ду́маю, здесь живёт се́мья — муж, же́на и их сын. Вот его ко́мната.

Кевин: Сын, а не дочка?

Та́ня: Вот его игру́шки, маши́ны. Вот его ве́щи.

Кевин: То́чно! Вы просто Ше́рлок Холмс, Та́ня!!!