**Activity: Describing a Person**

**RUSN 202: Intermediate Russian II**

Please create a 15-minute activity to introduce and practice constructions for describing a person, focusing mainly on physical appearance, but also incorporating personality traits. Your activity need not be based on any specific textbook, but should be geared to the Intermediate-Mid ACTFL proficiency level.

Here are a few examples of what our students don’t know yet that you may want to include in your activity: Он низкого роста. У неё карие глаза.  Рыжеволосый мужчина с бородой…

However, they do know all of the cases and the basic prepositions like у and с, as well as descriptive adjectives like энергичная, весёлый, умные, красивый, симпатичная.

If you would like to incorporate either the characters or the vocabulary from our textbook, we use the Russian Through Stages series – *Live From Russia!* volumes 1 and 2 in first year, and *Welcome Back!* in second year. This textbook series is based on an educational soap opera, and our students love the video characters Kevin, Tania, Olia, Misha, and Tania’s and Olia’s parents, Anna Borisovna and Viktor Stepanovich. Images of these characters may help start the discussion during your activity. If you are not familiar with these textbooks, you can access some video and audio materials online:

<http://www.livefromrussia.org/>

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