

# THE HISTORY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF METHODS OF TEACHING THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE AS A SCIENCE

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**Annotation:** This article traces the history of the development of methods for teaching the Russian language as a science, from the establishment of the first Slavic printing press in Moscow to the present day. It examines the emergence of pedagogical theories and methods, the introduction of grammar textbooks and language exercises, and the impact of Soviet educational policies and reforms. The article also explores the changes in the post-Soviet era, including the integration of technology in language teaching. Ultimately, the article underscores the importance of continued research and innovation in the field of language teaching, in order to meet the evolving needs and demands of learners.

**Key words:** russian language, language teaching, pedagogy, slavic printing press, standardization, educational institutions, grammar textbooks, literary criticism, linguistic analysis, soviet educational policies, communicative approach, language proficiency, technology integration.

Teaching the Russian language as a science has a rich and complex history that spans several centuries. From the establishment of the first Slavic printing press in Moscow in 1564 to the present day, the methods of teaching Russian have evolved and adapted to meet the changing needs and demands of learners. In this article, we will explore the key milestones in the development of methods for teaching the Russian language as a science, from the emergence of pedagogical theories and methods in the 18th century to the integration of technology in language teaching in the post-Soviet era.

Origins of Teaching the Russian Language as a Science

The origins of teaching the Russian language as a science can be traced back to the establishment of the first Slavic printing press in Moscow in 1564. This momentous event allowed for the printing of Russian books and the standardization of the language. With the spread of literacy, the Russian language became more widely spoken and understood, and this laid the foundation for the development of pedagogical theories and methods.

18th Century

In the 18th century, pedagogical theories and methods began to emerge in Russia, and the Russian language was included in educational institutions. One of the most significant events of the 18th century was the founding of the Russian Academy of Sciences in 1724. This institution played a key role in the development of the Russian language as a science, and it helped to establish the foundations for modern linguistic studies.

### 19th Century

The 19th century was a period of great change and innovation in the field of language teaching. Grammar textbooks and language exercises began to be introduced, and the rise of literary criticism and linguistic analysis led to a greater understanding of the Russian language. The founding of the Moscow State University in 1835 was also a significant event, as it helped to bring together scholars and educators from all over Russia and Europe.





#### Soviet Era

The Soviet era was a time of great upheaval and change in Russia, and this was reflected in the field of language teaching. Soviet educational policies and reforms had a significant impact on the way that Russian was taught, and the focus was on the practical application of language teaching. One of the most significant changes was the introduction of new teaching methods, such as the communicative approach. This method emphasized the importance of communication and interaction in language learning, and it became one of the most popular methods of teaching Russian in the Soviet era.

Post-Soviet Era

The post-Soviet era has been characterized by significant changes in the educational system and language policy. One of the most important changes has been the increased emphasis on proficiency in the Russian language. This has led to the development of new methods and approaches to language teaching, and the integration of technology has played a key role in this process.

The integration of technology in language teaching has revolutionized the way that Russian is taught. Online resources and tools have made it easier than ever before to learn Russian, and learners now have access to a wide range of interactive and multimedia resources. Video and audio materials, online exercises, and virtual classrooms have all become important components of modern language teaching, and they have helped to make Russian more accessible and engaging for learners.

The history of the development of methods for teaching the Russian language as a science is a fascinating and complex one. From the establishment of the first Slavic printing press in Moscow to the integration of technology in language teaching, the methods of teaching Russian have evolved and adapted to meet the changing needs and demands of learners. The emergence of pedagogical theories and methods, the introduction of grammar textbooks and language exercises, and the impact of Soviet educational policies and reforms have all played a significant role in shaping the way that Russian is taught today.

While the integration of technology has made language learning more accessible and engaging, it is important to note that there is still a need for continued research and innovation in the field of language teaching. The evolving needs and demands of learners mean that educators and researchers must continue to explore new methods and approaches to language teaching. This includes not only the use of technology but also the development of new teaching materials and resources that reflect the diverse needs and interests of learners.

Furthermore, as the world becomes increasingly interconnected, the importance of the Russian language cannot be overstated. Russia is a major world power and a leader in science, technology, and the arts. The ability to speak Russian opens up new opportunities for business, diplomacy, and cultural exchange. As such, the development of methods for teaching the Russian language as a science is not only important for individual learners but also for the global community as a whole.

In conclusion, the history of the development of methods for teaching the Russian language as a science is a testament to the enduring importance of language education. From its origins in the establishment of the first Slavic printing press to the integration of technology in language teaching, the methods of teaching Russian have evolved and adapted to meet the changing needs and demands of learners. As we move forward, it is important to continue to explore

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new methods and approaches to language teaching and to recognize the crucial role that language education plays in shaping our global community.

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