That’s Intense!
The Intensive Model of Instruction Revisited in the Proficiency-Oriented Classroom

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Why Intensive?

- Focus on “Real Life” Communication
- Student Centered Activities Throughout
- Higher Level of “Face Time” in L2
- Significantly Increased Cultural Exposure
- Lower Affective Factors (Stress, Anxiety)
Intensive Courses

- Intensive content-based instruction in class with high student interaction
- Media-based (conventional and internet) instruction and repetition
- Integrated instruction [intensive study + study abroad]
Intensive Teaching

- Develop language learners into active learners within the limited timeframe of a basic university course
- Make authentic materials and realia essential components of the interactive FL classroom
- Simulate “real life” environment to facilitate acquisition of linguistic and non-linguistic elements of communication
- Minimize overt lexico-grammatical instruction
Web-Based Instruction

- Using Internet resources to facilitate authentic contact with L2
- Encourages direct interaction within virtual community of learners and native speakers
- Uses multiple modalities (text, audio, video, interactive, etc.) in real time
Web-Based Practice

http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/goodmorning_ru.mp3
http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/goodafternoon_ru.mp3
http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/goodevening_ru.mp3

Vocabulary / Pronunciation

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Attached Files:
- Intro Unit.MP3 (18.969 MB)
- Unit 4.MP3 (11.98 MB)
- Unit One.MP3 (34.49 MB)
- Unit Two.MP3 (5.92 MB)
- Unit Three.MP3 (1.402 MB)

Vocabulary from all unit lists is read -- first slowly for clarity, and then at normal speed for pronunciation.

More Useful Phrases

http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/hello2_ru.mp3
http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/thankyou1_ru.mp3
http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/thankyou3_ru.mp3
http://www.omniglot.com/soundfiles/russian/howdoyousay_ru.mp3

Practice Cursive Letters

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This link will demonstrate quite normative handwriting in Russian, showing in detail how each letter is formed. (It's mesmerizing!)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WlXAG1j2_8

Counting from 1 – 10

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Link to video counting and reviewing numbers one through ten.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jEXyMgyHA&feature=player_embedded#at=66
Web-Based Practice

Russian (Cyrillic) Alphabet
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Still having some problems keeping those letters straight? Here's a link to more practice!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZceOLBFRO_Y

Russian Sesame Street Alphabet
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If you think you're ready for Big Bird in Russian, try the alphabet with a bunch of Russian kids!

http://rutube.ru/tracks/724278.html?v=86a0a6aa0f735b82d1b17a1bccc71b26

Alphabet Song
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Attached Files [Alphabet.mov (0.822 KB)]

And one more -- this time, a Russian Raffi sings the alphabet with guitar accompaniment. Note the full terms used for the letters:

Й -- и краткое (short i)
Б -- мягкий знак (soft sign)
Ъ -- твердый знак (hard sign)
Э -- е оборотное (backwards e)

Useful Phrases from UNIT ONE
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Attached Files [Hello.webloc (0.272 KB) Большое спасибо.webloc (0.275 KB) Доброе утро.webloc (0.277 KB) Добрый вечер.webloc (0.277 KB) Добрый день.webloc (0.279 KB) Досвидания.webloc (0.273 KB) Здравствуйте.webloc (0.271 KB) Извините.webloc (0.274 KB) Как сказать... по-русски.webloc (0.277 KB) Очень приятно.webloc (0.283 KB) Спасибо.webloc (0.275 KB)]

Here are some of the most useful phrases from the fist unit -- pronounced slowly, then at normal speed, for practice. You can use either GoLive, or click directly on the weblink.
Autonomous Interaction

- Portfolio Assessment
- Student-centered
- Interest-based
- Self-leveling
**Portfolio Activity 4: Русский календарь**

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For this activity, begin by going to the site:
http://www.caland.ru/holidays/

On the left side of the home page, you'll find a menu for all of the months in 2010. Paruse some of the calendar and try to identify a few of the holidays that are listed with each month. Compile a list of several interesting (to you!) holidays or special dates and write out what month they occur in.

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**Portfolio Activity 5: Профессии**

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You now know a large and diverse number of professions. But what will be the most lucrative and ambitious professions of the future in Russia? Go to the site:
http://www.keywork.ru/journal/131.php

You will find a list and description of the 10 most perspective jobs for the future in Russia. Significantly, they are largely borrowings from English, so if you sound them out, you will certainly understand what they are. Compile a list of the ten professions in Russian and in English, and scan the description of each to see if there are any other words that you recognize. jot those down, as well.

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**Portfolio Activity 6: Национальности**

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You know a number of the nationalities of the world -- some of the most common. But at this site, you will find a comprehensive list of the hundreds of nationalities in the former Soviet Union and all over the world. Go to the site:
http://demoscope.ru/weekly/kseni/alfavit/alfavit_nacional.html

Skim the list (it's comprehensive!) for some that you can recognize -- not only from our textbook, but others that you will certainly recognize from all over the globe. Write these out in Russian with their English equivalents.

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**Portfolio Activity 7: Как ваши дела?**

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This activity gives you the chance to broaden out your conversational skill of asking the question "How are you doing?" and giving appropriate responses. This site give a very comprehensive inventory of possible questions and answers in this situation -- along with the English equivalents to help you pick appropriate language. Check out the site:

Now write out at least five mini-dialogs using some of the new language in this material. Give a brief description of when, where, and between whom such a dialog might occur.
Portfolio Activity 11: Русский конверт

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Attached Files: конверт.JPG (42.46 KB)

This time, open the attached file and print out the Russian envelope. Using the model in your Textbook on page 289, address the envelope in the proper Russian style to:
Kevin Jackson
Korolyova St.
Building 4
Entrance 1
Apartment 10
Moscow, RUSSIA
S12845
Add the addressed envelope to your Portfolio.

Portfolio Activity 12: Столицы стран бывшего СССР

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Not only will you learn the actual capitals -- given on page 297 in your Textbook -- of each of the 15 former Soviet republics, but you will learn a little bit about each city. Go to the website:
http://www.spinform.ru/cis-capital.htm
Try to glean a bit of information about each on from the facts given. For the Portfolio, write out -- in Russian -- all 15 republics and their capitals, and an interesting fact about each one.

Portfolio Activity 13: "Милиция" или "Полиция"

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In this unit, Kevin had a run in with the local militia -- the МВД. In a recent announcement, President Russia Дмитрий Медведев has decided to change the name of the organization from "militia" to "police." Watch and listen to his statement:
http://www.rian.ru/video/20100806/26249935.html
For the Portfolio, write down all of the words that you recognize from this piece. Remember that this is unedited Russian; when you return to this clip in the second semester, you'll be surprised at how much more you'll be able to get on the first pass!

Portfolio Activity 14: Русские тосты

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Expand your knowledge of possible toasts in Russian using the formula за + accusative case. Go to the site:
http://www.ruspost.ru
Portfolio Activity 16: Московские рестораны

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Moscow has hundreds of world-class restaurants featuring all kinds of cuisines for all budgets. Go to this site: http://menu.ru/
Your Portfolio task is to scope out dining possibilities in the city and prepare a plan for your visit. You’ll be putting down a wish list of your favorite types of cuisine -- and checking to make sure they fall into your budget! Many of the individual restaurant sites featured also have menu item shown, so flesh out your wish list and plan to spend some quality time enjoying the culinary fare of Russia's capital city!

Portfolio Activity 17: Пёс и кот

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For this assignment, you're going to look to adopt a pet in Russia! Go to the Пёс и кот website at: http://pesikot.org/
On the far right side of the home page, you'll find a section called "Они ищут хозяев" ["They're looking for an owner"]). Click on the picture of the animal you'd like to adopt and read as much as you can about it. For the Portfolio, print out the picture, and write up a description of the dog or cat you're interested in and explain why you like it. Give the breed if you know it, and tell us why s/he has won your heart!

Portfolio Activity 18: Международный университет в Москве

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Go to the official site of our filial university in Moscow: http://www.interun.ru/
Find the link on the left for "Russian as Foreign Language" Русский язык как иностранный and click on it.
For the Portfolio, write out -- in Russian -- as much relevant information as you can find about classes, students, and faculty in the Russian for Foreigners Department.

Portfolio Activity 19: Какие курсы вы слушаете?

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For this Portfolio activity, first go to the main page for Leningrad State University at: http://lengu.ru/pages/schedule.php
First, after whom is this university named?
Then, scroll down the list on the home page and find the department that best corresponds to your own.
Once you know which department you're in, write out the courses being offered this term in your area, based on your class (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, etc.).
Finally, write out the contact information for the university located on the lower left side of the page.
Portfolio Activity 24: Звенигород

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Learn more about the town that brought Kevin and Olya together: Zvenigorod! Go to the town’s official website at: http://www.zvenigorod.ru/
Then scroll down the menu on the left and click on the word Достопримечательности. This is a very useful -- and long! -- word meaning "attractions" or "sights." ON this page, you can read about several of the most interesting places or things to see in the town. For the Portfolio, tell a bit about two or three of the places that you’d like to see in Zvenigorod.

Portfolio Activity 25: Идти или ходить?

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If you have Cyrillic on your keyboard (and you should by now!), you can practice both your typing and the forms of the verbs идти / ходить on this site:
The program will mark your answers right or wrong as you go through the different forms of the verbs. For the Portfolio, do the page of exercises, and print the final version with your answers out.

Portfolio Activity 26: "Скороговорки"

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Time to practice tongue twisters. These aren’t just cultural curiosities; they really do help with your pronunciation and speaking speed. Go to: http://ru.wikiquote.org/wiki/Русские_скороговорки
Here is a large selection of tongue twisters, including those we’ve practiced in class. For the Portfolio, find a few of these that appeal to you, write them out, and practice them until you think you have them down. Then, record them on an mp3 or mp4, transfer them to a disc, and put the disc in your Portfolio. Remember the Russian saying, Чем больше, тем лучше! The more, the better!

Portfolio Activity 27: Как сдать экзамены?

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Take a look at some practical -- if not tongue-in-cheek! -- advice on how to pass your exams in Russia. Go to: http://www.ytchebnik.ru/notices/sovet/
For the Portfolio, choose one of the suggestions on how to pass your exams, and write it out in Russian. Provide a glossary for any words that you don’t know and write -- in Russian -- why you think this good or bad advice.

Portfolio Activity 28: Баскин-Роббинс Москва

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Misha to Tanya and Olya out for ice cream at the Moscow mall. Remember that Tanya and Misha had the Russian classic пломбир, but you
Web-Based Practice

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- Intensive Russian - RUS 601c joined Facebook.

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Bobbi Duncan Ну, мне трудно читать по-русски без словаря. Я могу читать неплохо в контексте, но мне нравится знать точно что я читаю. И иногда когда я не пользуюсь словарем, я делаю ошибки. Вчера я читала "вихрь" как "vicar" и не понимала почему персонаж бежал от викара, до я слово переводила с словарем.
April 21 at 2:53pm · Like

Michaela Telfer Когда я читаю мою книгу, мне трудно понимать много глаголов. В книге много глаголов, которые я не знаю. Я тоже думаю, что это трудно читать по-русски без словаря. Мне просто понимать грамматику. Мне нравятся предметы, о которых Достоевский пишет. Я не думаю, что в книге пока что-то, который мне не нравится.
April 21 at 8:28pm · Like

Christopher Isto Wesley Barton Я читаю драму Гамлет, которую перевёл Бориса Пастернака. Мне очень трудно, потому что Пастернак писал в стихах тоже. Когда я читаю, я смотрю две книги, по-английский и по-русский. Также, есть много слов, что я не знаю (Конечно). Очень медленно читающий. Но, мне очень нравится драма.
April 22 at 12:27am · Like

Bobbi Duncan Это лучше читать с английским текстом? Легче? Я думаю, если у меня было английский текст, я слишком много бы пользовалась ним.
April 22 at 12:38am · Like

Christopher Isto Wesley Barton Мне нужен английский тест. Много слов стали другими в переводе. Странные слова. Он сделать для того, чтобы делать стихи.
April 22 at 12:47am · Like

Katie Leung Профессор гарза сказал нам что нам должно думать (думайте) о каждом слове и не прочитать (прочитайте) словарь. Поэтому, Я попробовала не пользоваться словарью—нубудь. Получило такое трудное потому что я знала если я пользовалась словарь, то читать было бы быстрее! Каждое слово похож на что-нибудь Я видела после, а еще не легкое!
April 24 at 11:16pm · Like
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- Facilitates higher levels of proficiency and competence through long-term commitment
- Combines formal and abroad study to encourage global competence
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