

## 1. What's that in Russian?

Take a moment to review some nouns for things that may be in the classroom. Refer to this list in today's dialogues.

**словарь** dictionary  
**компьютер** computer  
**ноутбук** laptop  
**телевизор** television

**книга** book  
**страница** picture  
**фотография** photograph  
**плакат** poster

**окно** window  
**стул** chair  
**стол** table  
**ручка** pen

**телефон** telephone  
**упражнение** exercise  
**доска** blackboard  
**задание** assignment

## 2. Pretending to have a new classroom

Pretend everything in the room is new. Run through this dialogue for the items above, using the right pronoun (**он, она, оно**) and the right form of the question adjective "what kind of?" (**какой, какая, какое**) "new" (**новый, новая, новое**). Only the words in **bold** will change!

NOTE: As the examples below make clear, the "pointing word" **это** may translate in different ways into English — don't let this distract you from the Russian! Ignore the English, and think of **это** as, quite simply, a "pointing gesture" — in the form of a word!

- Что это? "What's this / that?"
- Это **окно**. "This / that (is a) window."
- **Какое оно**? "Of what kind (is) it?"
- **Оно** **новое**. Это **совсем** **новое** **окно**. "It (is) new. It's (a) completely new window."
- Правда? "Truth?" (as in, "Really?!")
- Конечно! "Of course!"

## 3. Pretending to have new things

Similarly, ask whether your partner has these things. Not only **do** they have them, but they claim that they're new. Good for them!

NOTE: If we're asking about or emphasizing a thing's **existence**, we **do** include the verb **есть** (is).

- У тебя есть ноутбук? "At you is laptop?" (Do you have a laptop?)
- Да, есть. "Yes, is." (Yes, I do)
- Какой он? "Of what kind (is) it?"
- Он **совсем** **новый**. "It (is) completely new."
- Правда? "Truth?"
- Конечно! "Of course!"
- Ничего себе! Молодец! "Wow! Way to go!"

## 4. Time to tell the truth?

Quiz a group of classmates to see who has the items above (or others), and find out whether the item is new. Negate the adjective with **не**.

- У кого есть телефон? "At whom is (a) phone?"
- У меня есть телефон. "At me is (a) phone."
- Он **новый**? "(Is) it new?"
- Да, **новый**. / Нет, **не новый**. "Yes, new. / No, not new."