

Welcome / Dobro došli!

Dobro došli na Serboniku! / Welcome to Serbonika!

Dobar dan i dobro došli! *Good day and welcome!*

1 – Inside the Serbonika's Serbian Courses

The courses are created and organized in levels according to the Common European Framework of Languages. There will be 3 courses at the A1 level and 3 courses at the A2 level.

Every Course consists of **Sections**, and every Section consists of two to three Units and a review Unit with a Master quiz and an Exercise book with solutions.

Every **unit** consists of lessons, exercises and quizzes. It includes a PDF companion for reviewing offline. Unit is a sequence of textual, video and audio lessons with pictures, exercises and quizzes, organized around certain topic and grammar.

In the Introductory Serbian Course, there are 5 sections with all the basic information you need to kick start your Serbian.

Celina (unit) is a set of lessons, exercises and quizzes. Every unit consists of some of these types of content:

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| Lesson / lekcija | A group of information organized around one topic, exposed in written text, tables, images, audio recording or videos – any combination is possible. |
| Conversation / razgovor | In the sections entitled Conversation, you will listen to and read natural and natural-like conversations, at slow and full speed. That will help you practice real-life conversations from the start! |
| Vocabulary / rečnik | A selection of words, often illustrated and with audio recordings and interactive exercises, to help you memorize vocabulary. |
| Grammar / gramatika | A video or textual explanation of the logic and rules of how the words are used in the Serbian language. |

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| Reading / čitanje | A text to read along, translated into English to help you understand and learn new words. Includes audio recordings to practice reading and pronunciation. |
| Serbia Today | Elements of modern life in Serbia. Socio-linguistic commentary and general information good to know. |
| History | Elements of Serbian history. |
| Exercise / vežba | A task or a series of tasks that make you use vocabulary or grammar taught in the lesson, with immediate feedback and corrections. |
| Quiz / kviz | Series of questions to test what you've learned in the previous lesson. |
| Master Quiz | Every Section ends with a Master Quiz where you put into practice what you've learned in the whole Section , and get points for correct answers. |

The units and the content in them are gradually exposed and carefully planned. Every piece builds on to the previous one, and takes into account what you've learned.

Even though you can move through the course backward and forward and skip some of the content, it's the best to follow the structure.

2 – Set Serbian Keyboard

In order to complete the quizzes and this course, you should set up the Serbian Latin keyboard on your device.

INSTRUCTIONS

Windows 8: go to Control Panel and click on “Region”. Then click on “Language preferences” and choose “srpski (Srbija)”, Keyboard layout: Serbian Latin.

iPad i OS5: [video instructions on YouTube](#)

Mac: [video instructions on YouTube](#)

Android

[Multiling \(Classic\) Keyboard](#)

[Multiling O Keyboard + emoji](#)

[SwiftKey Keyboard](#)

The Serbian Latin Keyboard Layout



3 – Conversation

In the sections entitled **Conversation**, don't worry too much about grammar. Just learn the expressions. Listen to the dialogues and read aloud after you hear and understand them. Your goal here is to internalize the expressions and get used to the sound of the Serbian language.

Read and listen every line of the dialogue first. Click on the play icon, read and listen, repeat aloud. Then read the explanations below and listen to the whole dialogue at full speed.

Kod kuće

Žena Dobro jutro, dušo.

Muž Dobro jutro.

Žena Jesi za kafu?

Muž Naravno, hvala ti.

Žena Šta ćemo za doručak?

Muž Nemam pojma. Sendvič?

Žena Može.
Izvoli sendvič i jogurt.

Muž Hvala.

Žena Prijatno!

Muž A kafa?

At home

Wife Good morning, darling.

Husband Good morning.

Wife Would you like some coffee?

Husband Sure, thank you.

Wife What will we [have] for breakfast?

Husband No idea. Sandwich?

Wife OK.
Here, a sandwich and yoghurt.

Husband Thank you.

Wife Enjoy your meal!

Husband What about coffee?

Good to know

In the section entitled “Good to know”, you will read explanations that aim to answer the questions you might ask yourself about the expressions used in the conversation.

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Duša (soul) – a typical endearment, when addressing a dear person we say: **dušo!** Basic form of this noun is *duša*. The ending –o appears in the vocative case – special form of names and other nouns, used for addressing people.

Šta ćemo za doručak? (What will we [have] for breakfast?) – verb to have or to eat is implied here, like in other situations after „will“.

For example:

- **Gde ćemo?** (Where shall we go?)
- **Gde ćeš?** (Where are you going?)