

Episode #28 - Exercises

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Vadim gave a beer to John. Вадим дал Джону пиво.

Svetlana gave a telephone to Steve. Светлана дала Стиву телефон.

So try saying:

I gave a pen to Mark. Я дал ручку Марку. Я дал Марку ручку. And how would a woman say that? Я дала ручку Марку.

Do you remember how to say: I like pizza. Literally we phrase it: To me is pleasing pizza. Мне нравится пицца.

Olga gave the computer to me. Ольга дала компьютер мне.

Olga gave to me a computer. Ольга дала мне компьютер.

Now, do you remember how to ask a friend: Do you like raw pig fat? Тебе нравится сало?

So try asking: Pavel gave you a car? Lit: Pavel gave to you a car? Павел дал тебе машину?

How would you ask your friend's grandmother, respectfully: Do you like caviar? Вам нравится икра?

So how would you ask your boss:

He gave you a computer? Lit" He gave *to you* a computer? Он дал Вам компьютер?

I gave the cat to Olga.

Я дал кошку Ольге.

So try saying...

Mom gave Anya a souvenir. Мама дала Ане сувенир. Anya becomes "Anyeh".

How about:

I gave to Dasha your computer.

Я дал Даше твой компьютер.

Dasha becomes Dash-yeh.

Try asking your friend:

Who gave you a car?

We use the masculine form of the verb when asking "who".

Кто дал тебе машину?

Say...

My dad gave me a car.

Мой папа дал мне машину.

Try saying:

I bought mom a gift.

Literally: I bought FOR Mom a gift.

Я купил маме подарок.

Right? We have to say "mam-yeh". She was the *recipient* of the gift.

And how would a woman say that, by the way?

I bought for mom a present.

Я купила маме подарок.

Where's my present?

Где мой подарок?

How would you ask your two friends:

Where were you?

Где Вы были?

Anyway, say:

We were in a store.

Мы были в магазине.

Ask them: What did you guys buy? Что Вы купили?

Say:

I bought mom a telephone. Я купил маме телефон.

Whereas Vlad bought Tanya a present. А Влад купил Тане подарок.

Ask: What did he buy? Что он купил?

Say: He bought milk and pig fat. Он купил молоко и сало.

Say: Mmm...a tasty gift! Ммм....вкусный подарок!

Try saying: He said Hi to me, and that's all. We'll use the following word order: He said to me hi...and that's all. Он сказал мне "Привет".....и всё.

Ask your guy friend: You bought Alina a cat? Ты купил Алине кошку?

She bought me a pen. Она купила мне ручку.

Try saying: She didn't want to dance. Она не хотела танцевать.

Imagine you're with some friends, ordering food for takeout. Say... I talked with Anton. Я говорил с Антоном.

He said that he wants coffee with milk.

Он сказал что он хочет кофе с молоком.

Ask a stranger on the street: You wouldn't happen to know where the subway is? Literally: You dont know where the metro is? Вы не знаете где метро?

Say:

We live in the center. Мы живём в центре.

How will the person tell you: You speak Russian well. Вы хорошо говорите по-русски.

That's it for today's podcast. Next time we'll learn the sixth and final verb conjugation. Can you guess which one we're missing? Keep practicing and I'll see you next time!

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