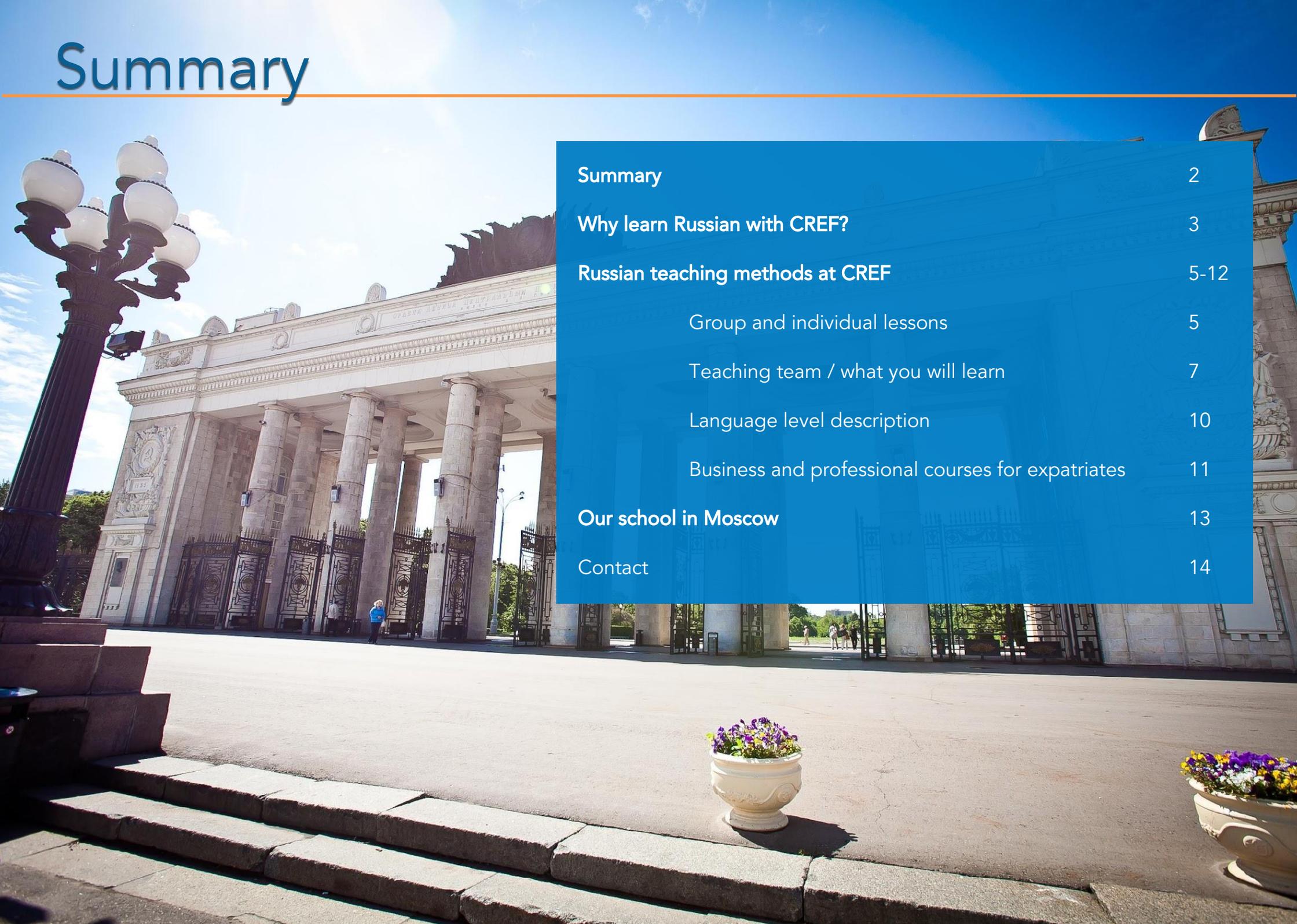




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# Summary



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# Why learn Russian with CREF?

- **CREF has been active in Russia for more than 15 years. Each year, we receive more than a thousand students of diverse nationalities.**

We make a special effort to understand the individual needs of our students and ensure their satisfaction. We work with a large team of Russian **teachers who have graduated from some of the best universities in the country**, drawn to CREF by virtue of our reputation. Trained according to our communicative methods, they know how to impart their passion for the Russian language to students!

- We offer a **well-recognized expertise** in the teaching of Russian since CREF also publishes textbooks for learning Russian used all over the world. In addition, we are accredited by the Russian Ministry of Education and Sciences.
- Our state-of-the-art facilities are located in the city center and very easy to access. It's the ideal starting point to discover the splendor of vibrant Moscow.

- We offer **great edibility in the course options**: group courses or individual courses? You can start when you want and for as long as you wish!

We offer different types of courses tailored to the needs of each student: group courses for those who wish to learn Russian in a social and academic setting; **customized individual lessons** adapted to the level and objectives of each student.

- All of our Russian courses are based on a communicative approach: above all the aim of this approach is that you can **quickly learn how to express yourself in Russian**, whether it's for day-to-day situations or in your professional life.

- **Many companies and institutions from all around the world already rely on us** to teach their managers Russian (Total, Hermès, BNP Paribas, Yves-Rocher, Danone, Renault, H&M, GDF Suez, Auchan, PSA Group, Shell... in addition the Organization of the United Nations and the embassies of France, Israel, Switzerland, Great Britain, etc.). We are also members of the Franco-Russian Chamber of Commerce, the Russian-British Chamber of Commerce, and the European Association of Russian Business.

- **Ideal learning environment.** The atmosphere is very friendly and students have access to Wi-Fi and a rest room available all day. A dining area is available to students at our Moscow center. Group classes are limited to 6 students to ensure the fastest rate of progress.



“ You will quickly learn how to express yourself in Russian. ”

# Russian teaching method at CREF

## Group lessons:

For a more sociable and interactive environment, you should choose to have group lessons. At the rate of four Russian lessons a day, five days a week, in total 20 hours of lessons per week, you will progress very quickly.

We guarantee you:

- Small-sized groups. So that everyone has enough opportunity to speak and practice their speaking skills, group sizes are limited to 6 people, sometimes less. All groups are made up of students from the same level. Students are assigned to a level according to the results of their assessment test.
- Ongoing assessments which allows you to track your progress. You can complete level A1 in 80 hours ( 4 weeks of lessons) and, if you are a total beginner from the moment you arrive in Russia. You can complete level A2, in about 160 hours.

- A course centered on communication. Starting from your first Russian lessons at CREF, whatever your level is, you will be engaged in communication, biased towards speaking more than writing. Grammar won't be overlooked of course, but it will be dealt with as a tool to help you in your communication and comprehension skills.

- Instruction and individual monitoring by rigorous and proficient teachers, even in group lessons.

- Exclusive teaching material developed by our teachers at CREF especially for Russian as a foreign language.

## Our individual courses:

Do you have specific restrictions, a busy schedule or personal obligations which make certain demands of your time? Or do you simply wish to learn Russian at your own pace?

You should consider choosing individual courses. Whether you want content which is intensive, more in depth, or perhaps with less grammar, or more writing, more speaking practice... You decide your own program with our program manager and your language course in Russia can be done at your own pace.

We guarantee you:

- Ongoing assessments which allows you to track your progress.
- Your progress will be faster than in group lessons; the teacher is devoted 100% to your needs and concentrates on your specific difficulties . You can therefore expect to reach your objectives faster.

- A course centered on communication and/or grammar: depending on your priorities and in consultation with you, the instruction will be channeled into the areas where you wish to improve your skills.

- Exclusive teaching material developed by our teachers at CREF, which can be adapted according to your particular needs.

- All the courses are adapted by the teachers to suit the needs of each student. You will be asked to specify for us your main areas of interest so that that the course may be adapted accordingly.

- The number of lessons you want and the schedules are completely edible. Our teachers can even come to your home or workplace if you are unable to come to CREF.



“The instruction will be concentrated in the areas where you wish to improve your skills.”



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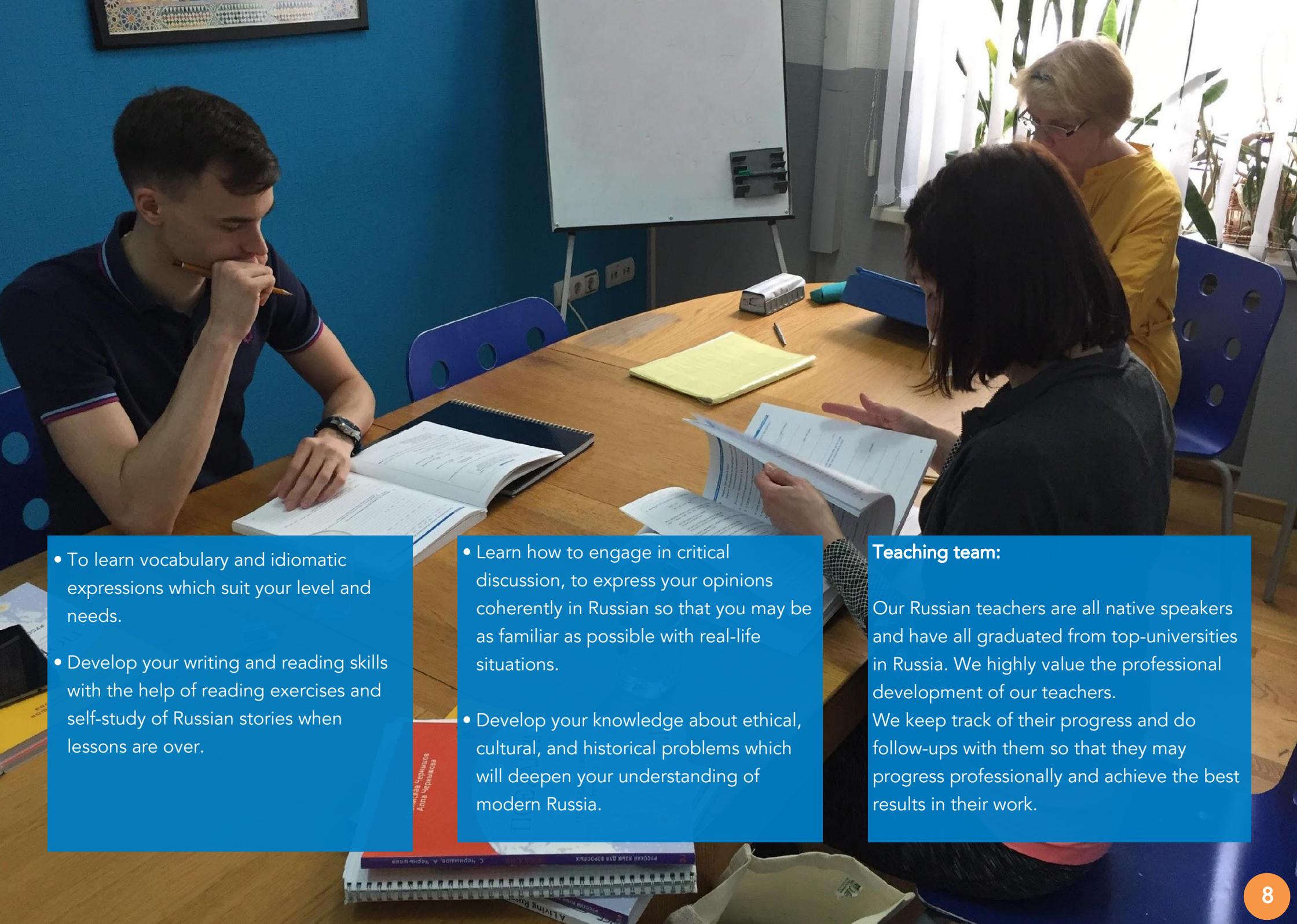
We offer you an effective and straightforward method which allows you to progress quickly. We not only teach grammar you need to know to communicate properly, but also grammar that is actively used and geared towards practical applications, which are connected to everyday life and the business world.

### **Studying at CREF means that you learn how:**

- to communicate in all types of situations, whether it's in your professional life or for day-to-day use.
- to develop your understanding of the language while listening to extracts which are designed for Russian language students and then extracts from actual Russian media (radio, news, etc.).

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“ We highly value the professional development of our teachers. ”



- To learn vocabulary and idiomatic expressions which suit your level and needs.
- Develop your writing and reading skills with the help of reading exercises and self-study of Russian stories when lessons are over.

- Learn how to engage in critical discussion, to express your opinions coherently in Russian so that you may be as familiar as possible with real-life situations.
- Develop your knowledge about ethical, cultural, and historical problems which will deepen your understanding of modern Russia.

### Teaching team:

Our Russian teachers are all native speakers and have all graduated from top-universities in Russia. We highly value the professional development of our teachers. We keep track of their progress and do follow-ups with them so that they may progress professionally and achieve the best results in their work.

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# A Living Russian Grammar

BEGINNER  
INTERMEDIATE

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# A Living Russian Grammar

INTERMEDIATE II



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# Russian teaching method at CREF

Level	Description	Lessons	Vocabulary	TRKI equivalent
A1 Beginner	Is able to understand and use common and daily phrases as well as very simple expressions which may be used for real-life needs. Able to introduce him/herself or someone else and be able to ask someone and answer certain basic questions. Able to use simple communication with someone who speaks slowly, distinctly and who is cooperative.	3 x 40 hours	600 words or constructions	ТЭУ (TEU)
A2 Elementary	Is able to understand phrases used out of context and frequently used expressions connected with practical necessities. Able to communicate apart from simple or common usage requiring only the exchange of simple and direct information about everyday topics. Is able to describe in simple terms his/her studies, immediate environment and can bring up topics which are relevant to immediate needs.	3 x 40 hours	Between 1000 and 1500 words or constructions	ТБУ (TBU)
B1 Intermediate	Is able to understand essential points when clear and standard language is used and it is about common topics. Is able to get by in most situations which would be encountered during a trip in a place where the target language is spoken. Is able to talk in simple and coherent language about familiar topics and areas of interest. Is able to talk about a life event, experience or a dream, describe a wish or a goal and share briefly his/her reasons or explanations for a plan or idea.	4 x 40 hours	About 2000 words or construction	<b>ТРКИ-1</b>
B2 Upper-intermediate	Is able to understand essential content about concrete or abstract subjects in a complex text, including a technical discussion about his/her field of work or study. Is able to communicate with a certain amount of spontaneity and ease in such a way that in a conversation with a native speaker is flowing and without any confusion or difficulty for either person. Is able to express him/herself in a clear and detailed manner about a wide range of subjects, articulating an opinion about a current issue and talk about the advantages and disadvantages of different possibilities.	4 x 40 hours  <small>For this level, openings for group lessons are on fixed dates; get information from CREF</small>	About 5000 words or construction	<b>ТРКИ-2</b>
C1 Advanced	Is able to understand a wide range of long and difficult texts, as well as grasp the underlying meanings. Is able to express him/herself spontaneously and fluently without any obvious need to search for the right words. Is able to use the language smoothly and effectively in their social life, professional or academic. Is able to express thoughts about complex subject matter with complete clarity and well-structured language and demonstrate their command of discourse through their organization, articulation and cohesion.	Individual courses only	About 6000 words or construction	<b>ТРКИ-3</b>
C2 Fluent	Is able to understand practically without any effort everything he/she hears. Is able to reconstruct the facts and arguments from various written/spoken sources by summarizing them coherently. Is able to express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely and can distinguish nuances of meaning found in complex subject matter.	Individual courses only		



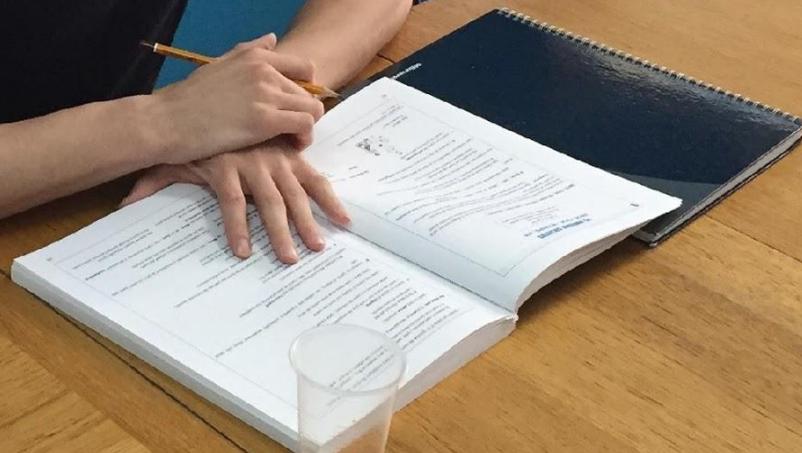
### Business & Professional Russian Language Courses:

Teaching Russian to foreign managers and their families living in Russia is at the core of CREF's program and we have put in place programs which are especially designed for them. A large number of companies already rely on us to provide lessons for their managers.

#### What we guarantee:

- CREF offers you a lesson schedule specifically arranged according to your work schedule, morning, evening or weekend. Our teachers can come to your workplace to have lessons with you.
- CREF offers courses for all ages: for expatriates, their spouses and children.
- The course content is adapted to your needs. We offer you a method that is effective and easy to use so that material which may seem challenging now will soon be completely clear to you!
- CREF offers you course programs adapted to your schedule and obligations: Intensive Russian group lessons (20 hours per week) or standard (4 hours per week) and individual Russian lessons.
- Courses can be paid for by your company which are then deductible from your taxes.

“ Our teachers can come to your workplace to do lessons with you. ”





## Our school in Moscow

CREF uses 11 classrooms comfortably furnished.

Every room is equipped with audio-visual material, and with internet access available for the teacher. Rest rooms are provided, along with a dining area, a reading room with workstations available, and free Wi-Fi access for our students. CREF Language Center is located right in the city center, next to Lubyanka square, and within a 10 minutes walking-distance from Red Square. You can get to CREF from the metro stations "Lubyanka", "Chistye Prudy" or "Turgenevskaya".



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