

Russian Cases [Nominative] Uses

[!] The nominative is the **first** of the six cases.

[!] The nominative answers the questions **кто?** and **что?**

More clearly, its **role** is to indicate the **subject** in a sentence.

[!] Understanding the nominative is key to understanding the other cases.

Fortunately, the nominative is extremely easy to understand. Its uses are limited.

The nominative indicates the **subject** in a sentence.

Виталий – трудолюбивый мужчина.

Vitalii is a hard-working man.

Анатолий и **Геннадий** – друзья с детства.

Anatolii and Gennadii are childhood friends.

Флаг белый, красный и синий.

The flag is white, red and blue.

The nominative is used with introductory words such as: **это** [this is, it is], **вот** [here], **сейчас** [now], **сегодня** [today], etc.

Это **ужин** при свечах.

It's a candlelight dinner.

Вот **ответ** на вопрос.

Here's the answer to the question.

Сегодня **вторник**.

Today's Tuesday.

The nominative is used with the preposition **за**.

Что это за **дерево?**

What kind of tree is this?