

TABLE 60.2: *Ukrainian Alphabet*

Letter ^a	Transliteration		Phonetic Value	Name
А	a	a	[a]	[a]
Б	б	b	[b]	[be]
В	в	v	[w]~[v]	[we]
Г	г	h	[h]	[fie]
Ґ	ґ	g	[g] ^b	[ge]
Д	д	d	[d]	[de]
Е	е	e	[e]	[e]
Є	є	je	[je]; [e] after C ^j	[je]
Ж	ж	ž	[ʒ]	[ʒe]
З	з	z	[z]	[ze]
И	и	y	[ɪ]	[ɪ]
І	і	i	[i]	[i]
Ї	ї	ji	[ji]	[ji]
Й	й	j	[j] ^c	[jot]
К	к	k	[k]	[ka]
Л	л	l	[l]	[el]
М	м	m	[m]	[em]
Н	н	n	[n]	[en]
О	о	o	[o]	[o]
П	п	p	[p]	[pe]
Р	р	r	[r]	[er]
С	с	s	[s]	[es]
Т	т	t	[t]	[te]
У	у	u	[u]	[u]
Ф	ф	f	[f]	[ef]
Х	х	x	[x]	[xa]
Ц	ц	c	[t͡s]	[t͡se]
Ч	ч	č	[t͡ʃ]	[t͡ʃe]
Ш	ш	š	[ʃ]	[ʃa]
Щ	щ	šč	[ʃt͡ʃ]	[ʃt͡ʃa]
Ю	ю	ju	[ju]; [u] after C ^j	[ju]
Я	я	ja	[ja]; [a] after C ^j	[ja]
Ь	ь	’	- ^c	[mja’kɪj ‘znak] ‘soft sign’

a. The following digraphs are not considered separate letters of the alphabet for alphabetical ordering:

Дж дж [d͡ʒ]

Дз дз [d͡z]

b. During the Soviet period, the separate letter *r g* was not used, and *г h* served for both [h] and [g], the latter occurring only in onomatopoeia and loanwords. With national independence, *r g* has been reintroduced.

c. Palatalization of consonants and [j] are indicated as follows:

	—	[a]	[e]	[i]	[o]	[u]
Plain	С	Са	Се	Си	Со	Су
Palatalized	Сь	Ся	Се	Си	Сьо	Сю
[j]	й	я	е	і	ю	ю

[j] between a vowel and a consonant is indicated by an apostrophe followed by a yotated vowel, e.g. C’я C[ja].

SAMPLES OF SLAVIC LANGUAGES

UKRAINIAN

1. <i>Ukrainian:</i>	Вода	при	березі	починала	каламутитись	і
2. <i>Transliteration:</i>	Voda	pry	berezi	počynala	kalamutytyś	i
3. <i>Transcription:</i>	wɔ'da	prɪ	'berezʲi	počɪ'nala	kala'mutɪtɪsʲ	i
4. <i>Gloss:</i>	water	by	shore	began	to.grow.turbid	and

1. ЖОВКНУТИ,	разом	з	піском	хвиля	викидала	зо	дна	моря
2. žovknuty,	razom	z	piskom	xvylja	vykydala	zo	dna	morja
3. 'zɔwknutɪ	razom	s	pʲis'kom	'xwɪlʲa	wɪkɪ'dala	zo	'dna	'morʲa
4. to.yellow	together	with	sand	wave	threw.out	from	bottom	of.sea

1. на	берег	каміння	і,	тікаючи	назад,	волікла	їх	по	дну
2. na	bereh	kaminnja	i,	tɪkajučy	nazad,	volikla	jɪx	po	dnu
3. na	'berefɪ	ka'm'innʲa	i	tʲi'kajučɪ	na'zad	wolɪk'la	jɪx	po	'dnu
4. onto	shore	stones	and	running	back	dragged	them	along	bottom

1. з	таким	гуркотом,	наче	там	щось	велике	скреготало
2. z	takym	hurkotom,	nače	tam	ščosʲ	velyke	skrehotalo
3. s	ta'kɪm	'furkotom	'naɫʲe	'tam	'ʃɫosʲ	welɪke	skrefɔ'talo
4. with	such	noise	as.if	there	something	huge	gnashed

1. зубами	й	гарчало.
2. zubamy	j	harč'alo.
3. zu'bamɪ	j	har'ɫʲalo
4. with.teeth	and	growled

'The water by the shore began to grow turbid and yellow, together with the sand the wave threw stones out from the sea bottom onto the shore and, running back, dragged them along the bottom with such a noise, as if something huge were there gnashing its teeth and growling.'

—*M. Kocjubyns'kyj, Ha Kameni [On the stone], in Vinogradov 1966–68, 1:66.*

Notes:

^aLow-level assimilations, such as voice assimilation in obstruent clusters, are not shown by the orthography.

^bThe [e]-[ɪ] opposition tends to be neutralized in unstressed position.

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