

1 | 1 | Lekcija 1: Dobar dan!

| Personal Pronouns

Just like in English, Croatian has personal pronouns indicating a specific person or a group of people. By now you have already seen several personal pronouns in Croatian:

SINGULAR			PLURAL		
(audio)	ja	I	(audio)	mi	we
(audio)	ti	you	(audio)	vi	you [all]
(audio)	on	he	(audio)	oni	they / masculine
(audio)	ona	she	(audio)	one	they / feminine
(audio)	ono	it	(audio)	ona	they / neuter

At the very beginning, you will mostly work only with pronouns ja, ti, on, ona that you encountered in this lesson. We will work with the rest of the personal pronouns later in the unit.

1.1 Zadatak 1. Osobne zamjenice

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1.1 Zadatak 2. Ja, ti, on, ona...

Look at the following set of pictures. Place the beginning of the sentences next to the appropriate picture. Which pronoun corresponds to the given image?

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| The verb BITI (“to be”)

The verb ‘biti’ is the most used verb in Croatian. In the Present Tense it has two forms, a stressed and unstressed form. However, for now we will look only at its unstressed form.

| Unstressed form

SINGULAR	PLURAL
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(audio)	ja sam	(I am)	(audio)	mi smo	(we are)
(audio)	ti si	(you are)	(audio)	vi ste	(you [all] are)
(audio)	on je	(he is)	(audio)	oni su	(they are) / m
(audio)	ona je	(she is)	(audio)	one su	(they are) / f
(audio)	ono je	(it is)	(audio)	ona su	(they are) / n

For short sentences, like saying that you are a student or an instructor, you **MUST ALWAYS** use a pronoun in front of the verb. You can only say: Ja sam student (studentica)... Ti si student (studentica). You cannot say: Sam student*.

1.1 Zadatak 3. Tko je ovo?

Look at the following pictures and complete the sentences with logical and grammatical construction.



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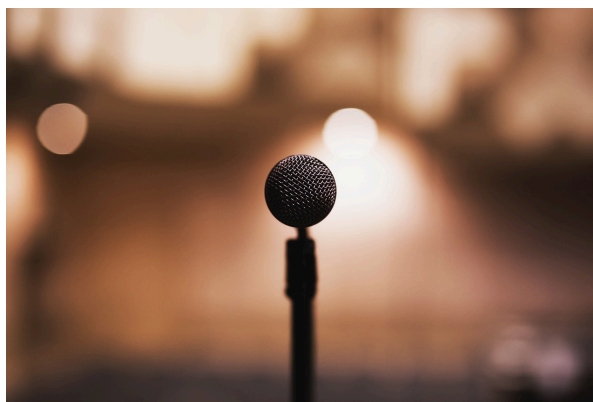
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| Vowel Pronunciation: Practice

We'll explore the Croatian alphabet through three short videos. In this first video, we'll focus on vowels in the Croatian language.

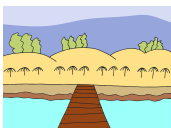


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🎧 Before each word is played, you'll have a brief moment of silence to guess what the word might be. After you hear the word, there's another pause so you can repeat it out loud. Feel free to pause the video at any time if you want to repeat a word again or write it down.

👉 Don't worry about memorizing everything. This is just for practice and exposure—the goal is to get comfortable with the sounds and to have plenty of chances to practice your pronunciation. Make sure to turn on the closed captions so you can see how each word is spelled.

O	 oko (audio)	 otok (audio)	 obala (audio)
U	 uho (audio)	 upitnik (audio)	 ured (audio)
E	 Eskim (audio)	 Euro (audio)	 Europa (audio)
I	 ime (audio)	 instrument (audio)	 imela (audio)

A			
	automobil (audio)	avion (audio)	astronaut (audio)

| Practice your new vocabulary.

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Laura is learning some new vocabulary. It's hard to keep track of everything. Click on the image for each picture to check your new vocabulary.

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| Consonant Pronunciation: English Equivalent

In this video, we'll focus on Croatian letters that sound similar to English. This should feel a bit easier, but it's still important to listen closely and practice saying each word out loud. Just like in the first video, there's a short pause before and after each word—use the time before to guess the word, and the time after to repeat it. Don't forget to turn on closed captions so you can see how each word is spelled. And of course, feel free to pause the video anytime if you want to repeat a word or write it down.

👉 You're not expected to memorize everything. This is all about getting comfortable with the sounds and practicing as much as you can.

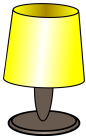
B			
	blog (audio)	bingo (audio)	balet (audio)

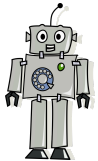
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	pas (audio)	papa (audio)	papir (audio)
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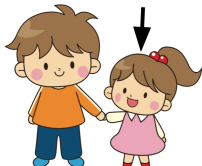
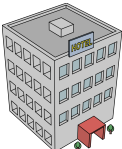
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L	 lampa (audio)	 lopta (audio)	 lav (audio)
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R	 robot (audio)	 ruka (audio)	 radio (audio)
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F	 farma (audio)	 fotoaparar (audio)	 flauta (audio)
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V	 vaza (audio)	 veterinar (audio)	 vino (audio)
D	 doktor (audio)	 dupin (audio)	 desert (audio)
T	 telefon (audio)	 tim (audio)	 tulipan (audio)
N	 noga (audio)	 nogomet (audio)	 nebo (audio)

Z	 zebra (audio)	 zub (audio)	 zvono (audio)
S	 sestra (audio)	 sir (audio)	 sat (audio)
K	 kino (audio)	 krokodil (audio)	 kava (audio)
H	 hotel (audio)	 hrana (audio)	 muha (audio)

| Practice your new vocabulary

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Look at the following slides. On each slide choose an image for which the word is spelled completely the same in English and in Croatian.

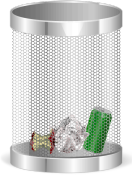
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| Consonant Pronunciation: Croatian Letters

In this final video, we'll focus on Croatian letters that don't exist in English or that sound different from what you might expect if English is your first language. Some of these sounds may feel new or unusual at first, but don't worry! Make sure to turn on the closed captions so you can see how each word is spelled, and feel free to pause the video whenever you want to repeat a word or write it down.

Č	 mačka (audio)	 mač (audio)	 čokolada (audio)
DŽ	 džip (audio)	 džungla (audio)	 džemper (audio)
Š	 šešir (audio)	 šišmiš (audio)	 šuma (audio)
Ž	 ruža (audio)	 žirafa (audio)	 plaža (audio)



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Đ	 anđeo (audio)	 grožđe (audio)	 rođendan (audio)
LJ	 ljekarna (audio)	 ljiljan (audio)	 ljubav (audio)
NJ	 tanjur (audio)	 kornjača (audio)	 njuška (audio)
C			

	cesta (audio)	čamac (audio)	boca (audio)
G	 gitara (audio)	 gljiva (audio)	 glava (audio)
J	 jezero (audio)	 jakna (audio)	 jelo (audio)

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1.1 Zadatak 4. Nove riječi

| Words That Are Similar to English

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| Words Related to Nature and Animals

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Decide whether the statement is true (Točno) or false (Netočno).

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