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Many languages use the same alphabet but many do not. Below is the phrase “thank you” written in four different languages each using a different alphabet. Try to match the phrase to the language and alphabet.

Ευχαριστώ

pronounced - **efk-harist-o**

Спасибо

pronounced - **spa-see-ba**

Thank You

ركش

pronounced - **shock-run**

English

(Latin alphabet)

Greek

(Greek alphabet)

Arabic

(Arabic alphabet)

Russian

(Cyrillic alphabet)



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Languages that use the same alphabet look different from each other when written. Even if we don't understand the language it is easy to notice it by how it is written. Using the Latin alphabet for example, some languages use accents very often while others, like English, don't use them at all. We can also tell the difference because some languages use certain letters more often than others. Each language using the Latin alphabet uses the letters in its own way, according to what works best for it. Using what you may already know, and some research, try to match the sentences below to the languages they are written in.

Hola. ¿Cómo está usted?

English

Hello. How are you?

Czech

Bonjour. Comment ça-va?

German

Aloha. Pehea 'oe?

Spanish

Grüß dich. Wie geht es Ihnen?

French

Dobrý večer. Jak se máte?

Hawaiian