

Names of Chess Pieces in International Languages

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Chess Pieces international names

Chess is an international sport. The names of the chess pieces are translated into several languages. For mobile devices such as smartphones and tablets I have created the following three tables. The first part shows the translation for the chess pieces *king*, *queen* and *rook*. The second part is for the chess pieces *bishop*, *knight* and *pawn*. The third table shows the international translation for the expressions *chess*, *check* and *checkmate* with links to the corresponding Wikipedia websites.

Part 1: Translation King, Queen, Rook © Elke Rehder

English	K king	Q queen	R rook
Albanian	M Mbret	M Mbretëreshë	T Top
Arabic	مَلِك	وَزِير	رُخ/طابِية
Bulgarian	Ц Цар (Zar)	Д Дама (Dama)	T Ton (Top)
Catalan	R rei	D dama	T torre
Chinese	K 王	Q 后	R 車
Croatian	K kralj	D dama / kraljica	T top/kula
Czech	K král	D dáma	V věž
Danish	K konge	D dronning	T tårn
Dutch	K koning	D dame	T toren
Esperanto	R reĝo	D damo	T turo
Estonian	K kuningas	L lipp	V vanker
Farsi	S Schah	W Wazir	R Ruch
Finn	K kuningas	D daami / kuningatar	T torni
French	R roi	D dame	T tour

German	K König	D Dame	T Turm
Gaeilge	T teyrn / brenin	B brenhines	C castell
Greek	Ρ βασιλιάς	B βασίλισσα	Π πύργος
Hebrew	מלך	מלכה	צ'ר
Hindi	R raja	V vajeer	H hathi
Hungaria	K király	V vezér	B bástya
Icelandic	K kóngur	D drottning	H hrókur
Indonesia	R raja	M menteri	B benteng
Irish	R rí	B banríon	C caiseal
Italian	R re	D donna	T torre
Japanese	キング	クイーン	ルーク
Korean	K 킹	Q 퀸	R 룩
Latin	K rex	Q regina	R turris
Latvian	K karalis	D dāma	T tornis
Lithuanian	K karalius	V valdovė	B bokštas
Luxemb.	K kinnek	D damm	T tuerm
Macedon	K Крап	D Дама	T Топ
Norwegia	K konge	D dronning	T tårn
Persian	ش شاه	رعیوز	ق/ارق لعه/رخ
Polish	K król	H hetman	W wieża
Portugues	R rei	D dama / rainha	T torre
Romanian	R rege	D regină	T turn
Russian	Кр король	Ф ферзь	Л ладья
Serbian	К краљ	Д дама	Т топ
Sicilian	R re	D riggina	T turru
Slovak	K kráľ	D dáma	V veža

Slovenian	K kralj	D dama	T trdnjava
Spanish	R rey	D dama	T torre
Swedish	K kung	D dam	T torn
Turkish	Ş/K şah / kral	V vezir	K kale
Ukrainian	Кр король	D королева	Т тура

Part 2: Translation Bishop, Knight, Pawn © Elke Rehder

English	B bishop	N/ Kt knight	(P) pawn
Albanian	O Oficier	K Kal	Pion
Arabic	ف ف يل	ح حصان	ب ب ينق/عسكري
Bulgarian	O Офицер (Ofizer)	K Кон (Kon)	П Пешка (Peschka)
Catalan	A alfil	C cavall	(P) peó
Chinese	B 象	N 馬	(P) 兵
Croatian	L lovac / laufer	S skakač / konj	(P) pješak
Czech	S střelec	J jezdec	(P) pěšec
Danish	L løber	S springer	(B) bonde
Dutch	L looper	P paard	(P) pion
Esperanto	K kuriero	Ĉ ĉevalo	(P) peono
Estonian	O oda	R ratsu	(E) ettur
Farsi	F Fil	A Asb	Sarbaz
Finn	L lähetti	R ratsu	(S) sotilas
French	F fou	C cavalier	(P) pion
German	L Läufer	S Springer	(B) Bauer
Gaeilge	E esgob	M marchog	(G) gwerinwr
Greek	A αξιωματικός	Ι ίππος	(Σ) πiónι

Hebrew	רץ	פרש	רגלי
Hindi	O oont	G ghoda	P pyada
Hungaria	F futó	H huszár	(P) gyalog / paraszt
Icelandic	B biskup	R riddari	(P) peð
Indonesia	G gajah	K kuda	(P) pion
Irish	E easpag	D ridire	(F) fichillín / ceithearnach
Italian	A alfiere	C cavallo	(P) pedone
Japanese	ビショップ	ナイト	ポーン
Korean	B 비숍	N 나이트	(P) 폰
Latin	B episcopus	N eques	(P) pedes
Latvian	L laidnis	Z zirgs	(B)bandinieks
Lithuania	R rikis	Ž žirgas	(P)pėstininkas
Luxemb.	L leefer	P päerd	(B) bauer
Macedoni	L Ловец	S Коњ	Пешак
Norwegia	L løper	S springer	(B) bonde
Persian	لیف ف	اسب	س سرباز
Polish	G goniec	S skoczek	(P) pion
Portugues	B bispo	C cavalo	(P) peão
Romania	N nebun	C cal	(P) pion
Russian	С слон	К конь	(П) пешка
Serbian	Л ловац	С скакач	(П) пешак
Sicilian	A alferu	S scecchu	(P) pidinu
Slovak	S strelec	J jazdec	(P) pešiak
Slovenian	L lovec	S skakač	(P) kmet
Spanish	A alfil	C caballo	(P) peón
Swedish	L löpare	S springare	(B) bonde

Turkish	F fil	A at	(P) asker / piyon
Ukrainian	С слон	К кінь	(П) пішак



Translation of Chess, Check and Checkmate in International Languages © *Elke Rehder*

The colour-coded words in the table below are linked to the Wikipedia websites of each country. For example, a click on the word "Skak" opens the Danish website in a new window. In particular, chess enthusiasts, who have learned the Latin language in school, will have fun with a link to a page in Latin language. An Esperanto chess page is also offered, because of the global dissemination. Perhaps the Esperanto chess page will be helpful for some players. Chess sites in languages with non-Latin alphabets, such as Arabic, Chinese, Greek, Hebrew, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Russian, Serbian and Ukrainian, can be visited directly without complicated input via the PC keyboard.

English	Chess	Check	Checkmate
Arabic	شطرنج	كش ملك	كش مات
Catalan	Escacs	Escac/ Xec	Escac i mat
Chinese	國際象棋	將軍	將死
Croatian	Šah	Šah	Šah mat
Czech	Šachy	Šach	Mat
Danish	Skak	Skak	Skakmat
Dutch	Schaken	Schaak	Mat
Esperanto	Ŝako	Ŝak	Ŝakmato
Estonian	Male	Tuli	Matt

Finn	Shakki	Shakki	Matti/ Shakkimatti
French	Jeu d'échecs	Échec	Échec et mat
Gaeilge	Gwyddbwyll	Siach	Siachmat
German	Schach	Schach	Schachmatt
Greek	Σκάκι	Σαχ	Μάτ
Hebrew	שחמט	נש	טמ
Hindi	Shatranj	Shah	Maat
Hungaria	Sakk	Sakk	Matt
Icelandic	Skák	Skák	Skák og mát
Indonesia	Catur	Skak	Skak mati
Irish	Ficheall	Sáinn	Marbhsháinn
Italian	Scacchi	Scacco	Scacco matto
Japanese	チェス	王手	詰み
Korean	체스	체크	체크메이트
Latin	Scacci	Scaccus	Mattus
Latvian	Šahs	Šahs	Šahs un mats
Lithuania	Šachmatai	Šach	Matas
Luxemb.	Schach	Schach	Schachmatt

Norwegia	Sjakk	Sjakk	Sjakk matt
Persian	شطرنج	شیک	شمتیک
Polish	Szachy	Szach	Mat
Portugues	Xadrez	Xeque	Xeque-mate
Romanian	Șah	Șah	Mat
Russian	Шахматы	Шах	Mat
Serbian	Шах	Шах	Mat
Sicilian	Scacchi	Scacco	Scacco matto
Slovak	Šach	Šach	Mat/Šachmat
Slovenian	Šah	Šah	Mat/Šahmat
Spanish	Ajedrez	Jaque	Jaque mate
Swedish	Schack	Schack	Schack matt
Turkish	Satranç	Şah	Mat
Ukrainia	Шахи	Шах	Mat



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