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Russian Toys and Games Word Meanings

Russian Word	English Translation	English Phonetic
кукла	doll	kook-la
машина	car	ma-shee-na
кубики	cubes	koo-bee-kee
мячик	ball	myachik
пазлы	puzzles	paz-ly
колесо	wheel	ko-le-so
кубик	cube	koo-bik
носок	sock	no-sok
игрушка	toy	ee-groosh-ka
джекпот	jackpot	djek-pot
космос	space	kos-mos
бегемот	hippopotamus	be-ge-mot
робот	robot	ro-bot
бильярд	billiards	bil-yard
шахматы	chess	shakh-ma-ty
дартс	darts	darts
крокет	croquet	kro-ket
кегли	bowling pins	ke-gli
покер	poker	po-ker



Russian Toys And Games Words and Their Fascinating Origins

The Russian language is rich with words that have intriguing histories and origins. Let's explore a few of them:

1. KOCMOC (Kosmos) — This word for "space" has ancient Greek roots, meaning "order" or "world." It was popularized in Russian during the Soviet space race era.

2. Ροδοτ (Robot) — Surprisingly, this word isn't of Russian origin. It was coined by Czech writer Karel Čapek in his 1920 play "R.U.R." and quickly spread to other languages, including Russian.

3. Шахматы (Shakhmaty) — The Russian word for "chess" comes from the Persian "shah mat," meaning "the king is dead," which is also the origin of the term "checkmate."

4. Бегемот (Begemot) — This word for "hippopotamus" comes from the Hebrew "behemoth," a mythical beast mentioned in the Book of Job.

5. Кукла (Kukla) — The Russian word for "doll" has its roots in the Greek "koukla," which itself likely originated from the Latin "cuculla," meaning a hood or cowl.

6. Машина (Mashina) — This word for "machine" or "car" comes from the French "machine," which in turn derives from the Latin "machina," originally meaning a device or contrivance.

7. Джекпот (Dzhekpot) – This loanword, meaning "jackpot," entered Russian

from English in the 20th century, reflecting the globalization of gambling terminology.

8. Бильярд (Bil'yard) — The Russian word for "billiards" comes from the French "billard," which originally referred to the cue used in the game.

These examples showcase how Russian, like many languages, has been influenced by various cultures and historical events, enriching its vocabulary with words from diverse origins.