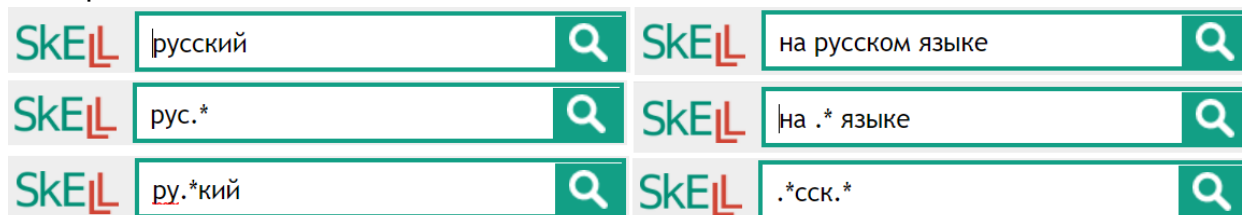Author: Культепина Ольга

RuSkELL (Sketch Engine for Learning the Russian Language) is a corpus-based tool for exploring word's behavior in context. There are three functions that the resource offers. Users can look at word's real usage ('Primery'), high-frequent collocations ('Sochetaemost slova') and similar words that have the same collocates ('Pohozjiye slova').

'Primery' presents relevant examples with a query-word. Users could look for the word or the phrase and put .* for the missing parts of the word/phrase.
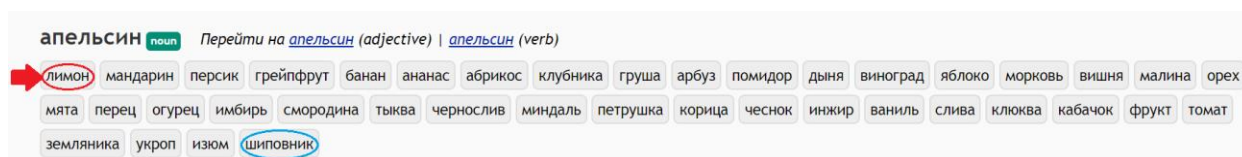

'Sochetaemost slova' is the function that builds the list of word's collocations ranging by their frequency. The list consists of different groups of collocations which depend on the grammatical connection in the collocation. The name of each type of collocation is highlighted in green. Each group includes 15 collocations at maximum. For example, if a query if слово ('slovo' – a word), then user find in the group "глагол + слово(dat)":

Users can collect the most typical frequent collocations and know the special phrases (idioms, colligations, set phrases) thanks to the function 'Sochetaemost slova'.

The function 'Pohozjiye slova' let users look at words that have similar collocations and could be called similar words to the query-word. There are synonyms and antonyms, hyperonyms and hyponyms etc. The words in the list are sorted by the most similar word (the greatest percent of common collocations) to the less similar one:

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