

### Accents paradigm in Serbian

Use these as the basis for checking the accent on new words and remember these facts:

-Both long and short falling accents occur on the first syllable of the word.

-Rising accent cannot occur on the word that has one syllable.

-Rising accent occurs on any syllable but the last.

Long rising (Dugi uzlazni)	Long falling (Dugi silazni)	Short rising (Kratki uzlazni)	Short falling (kratki silazni)
nārod (people)	mājka (mother)	ākcentat (accent)	alkohol (alcohol)
razgovāratī (talk)	rādīo (radio)	kāpija (gate)	kapa 'hat'
tētā (aunt)	tēlo (hay)	pevačīca (female singer)	pesma (song)
pīsmo (letter)	pīšem (write)	īgra (dance, play)	istina (truth)
ōvca (sheep)	mōst (bridge)	nōga (leg)	novīne (newspaper)
rūka (hand)	sūnce (sun)	učīti (study)	ugao (corner)
duvātī (to blow)	duvām (I blow)	duvan (tobacco)	kuhinja (kitchen)
<u>monosyllabic words:</u> none	<u>monosyllabic words:</u> lēp (beautiful) lūk (arch, bow)	<u>monosyllabic words:</u> none	<u>monosyllabic words:</u> zet (son-in-law) luk (onion)