

ABECEDNIK

Abecednik (Abecedarium) is a book, meant for the initial learning of reading and writing. Trubar wrote Abecednik after the Catechism, so that ordinary people in Slovenia could learn to read and write.

Katekizem(Catechismus) is the first printed Slovene book. It is a list of religious truths, which is used in religious teaching in various Christian Churches. The Catechism is often organised in the form of a manual with questions and answers.

Primož Trubar was the first person in our history to address the people of our country as Slovenes and he set the foundations for Slovenian language in written form. As a consequence of his work the translation of The Bible also appeared in his day.



PRIMOŽ TRUBAR

Primož Trubar was born in the summer of 1508 in the village Rašica near Velike Lašče. When he was twelve years old, he left his home



village forever. First he attended a school in Rijeka (Croatia) for one year, then in Salzburg (Austria) for two years where he gained the basic knowledge of grammar, dialects, rhetoric and German. He moved to Ljubljana (Slovenia) in 1536 where he worked as a preacher in a church . There he preached in Slovenian and German. In 1548 he had to secretly run away to Germany. In Rothenburg he married Barbara Sitar, with whom he had four children.

He lived and worked in Derendingen near Tübingen (Germany) until his death. He wrote two books: Abecednik and Katekizem.