

Билет 4

Let's talk about your Motherland

1. What attracts tourists to Belarus?

To my mind, each region of my country can offer something interesting and unforgettable.

First of all, there are landmarks included in the World Heritage List, such as Belovezhskaya Pushcha with majestic aurochs, the Struve Arc, the castles in Mir and Nesvizh.

Then there are places connected with the names of world-famous people Kazimir Malevich, Ilya Repin, Zhores Alferov, numerous art galleries and museums.

Belarus is a home to unique natural landmarks which include Braslav Lakes National Park, the amazing Belarusian Polesye and others.

A number of old towns such as Turov, Zaslavl, Polotsk, and villages like Dudutki, Strotchitsy are a great way to learn about Belarusian everyday life and history.

And, finally, the greatest wellness of Belarus is its hospitable and welcoming people.

No wonder, tourists are attracted to Belarus.

2. Are the symbols of Belarus known to foreigners? Why or why not?

I hope foreigners know the national symbols of Belarus: national flag, national emblem and national anthem. This is because Belarus is active on international arena. Those who visited Belarus might know about Belarusian floral and animal symbols: the bison, the stork and the cornflower.

3. What questions will you ask a journalist from the BelTA News Agency?

- ✓ When was the Agency established?
- ✓ Is it difficult to deliver news in real time?
- ✓ Is your news available in foreign languages?
- ✓ What foreign languages do you speak?

4. What advice will you give to people who want to visit Belarus?

I would advise tourists to visit Grodno and Brest regions first of all. There are some really interesting places to see there, for example, Belovezhskaya Pushcha with rare species of animals and birds, the famous Mir castle and the city of Grodno with its unique architecture.

5. They say that the Belarusian language is losing its popularity. What do you think about it?

I agree. Nowadays Belarusian is unpopular among young people. But in villages people still speak Belarusian. I am sure people should know and speak their native language to be recognized as a nation.

Билет 5

Let's talk about Great Britain.

1. Would you like to visit Britain?

Of course, I would like to visit Britain. Great Britain is a country with old cultural traditions and customs. It is the country, the language of which is studied all over the world. To know more about the country and its people one should visit it.

I know a lot about the country from books, videos and my English lessons. I know that the official name of the country is the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. It is situated on the British Isles and includes England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The capital of the country is London. The United Kingdom is a parliamentary monarchy with Queen Elizabeth at the head.

England, especially London, has the best museums in the world such as the British Museum, the National Gallery, the Tate Gallery. I would like to see the famous London Eye which is 137 metres in diameter. I'd like to see Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament, the Tower of London and Tower Bridge. Maybe I would be lucky to see the Queen or at least Changing the Guards at Buckingham Palace.

I'd like to feel the atmosphere of the country and improve my English by speaking with real people in real life situations.

2. Do you agree that Great Britain is a country of traditions? Prove your point of view.

I agree. Take, for example, such traditions as the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, Trooping the Colour, the State opening of Parliament. They are as old as the British monarchy which is also a tradition. Nowadays these ceremonies are just formal but they are carefully kept up. To add some more, British people observe different holidays, they have traditions in meals, dwelling, keeping pets and even in their hobbies. So, you see, Great Britain is a country of traditions.

3. What would you like to ask a British teenager about Britain?

- ✓ What part of Great Britain do you live in?
- ✓ What places of interest are there in your country?
- ✓ What languages do people of Great Britain speak?
- ✓ What sport is most popular in your country?

4. Give me a piece of advice on what sights to see in London.

If I were you, I would start with the London Eye. From the top of the Eye you can see the whole of the city. Then I'd go to Hyde park, Trafalgar square and the Tower.

5. Explain why Britain is so popular among tourists

First, tourists are attracted to Britain because of its fantastic scenery. Then, it's rich history. Next, it's its great traditions and holidays and, finally, its great world class festivals and events. In short, Britain is rich in tradition, complex in culture and endlessly diverse.

Билет 6

Let's talk about science and modern technologies

1. Let's talk about science and technology. What is the role of science in our fast-moving world?

Our world is the world of technology. Technology is everywhere. We use technology in our everyday life. We can't imagine how people could live without electricity, gas, television, the Internet many years ago.

Technology advances surprise us with every day. Devices become multifunctional. For example, smart TV is a TV and a computer at the same time. We use modern devices to communicate with people from all over the world. We use fast vehicles to travel. E-mails and e-books substituted snail mail and paper books.

All this became possible due to the development of science. Thus, science is a great power.

2. Do all scientific discoveries have a positive effect on our life?

It goes without saying, that scientific discoveries have a positive effect on our life. But there are a lot of examples when scientific discoveries became evil. Dynamite was invented to help miners in their hard work but became a weapon. Genetically modified food does a lot of harm to people's health. So, people should be careful about the discoveries.

3. What questions will you ask a famous scientist about his/her career?

- ✓ Is it difficult to be a scientist?
- ✓ How much time do you spend at work every day?
- ✓ Have you made any discoveries?
- ✓ Do you dream of getting a Nobel Prize one day?

4. Advise me what device to buy.

If I were you, I would buy the latest model of a mobile phone. A mobile phone is a multifunctional device. It can be used as a telephone, a watch, a calculator, a player, and what not. I think, it will be a very useful purchase.

5. Explain, why people are becoming more dependent on high-tech devices.

Technology devices make people's life easier. They are convenient. They save people's time. Without technology people's life would be much harder. No wonder, people become dependent on high-tech devices.