



The 12th of November

The Best of All Possible World
—
My Native Town

*There are a lot of great names on a map:
Polotsk, Nesvizh, Mir ...
Rich and famous from most ancient times,
But I like you, my native town, most of all!*

A PRONUNCIATION DRILL (SOUNDS [b] - [p])

- 1. Listen, look and say:

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A PRONUNCIATION DRILL (SOUNDS [b] - [p])

■ 2. Listen, look and say:

1. The plane will land in approximately 20 minutes.
2. John pushed the boat away from the bank.
3. What is the population of Belarus?
4. I like the beauty of the New England landscapepe in autumn.
5. Bring a passport as proof of identity.
6. The building took two years to complepete.

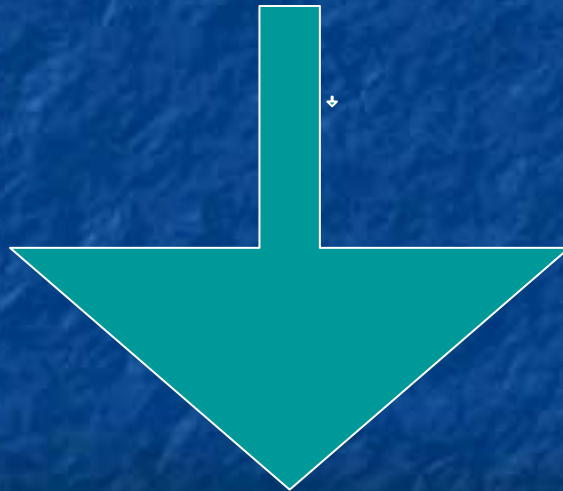
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- *3. Try to read the following tongue-twister as fast as you can:*

*A big black bug bit a big black bear,
Then a big black bear bit the big black bug.
And when the big black bear bit the big black bug,
Then the big black bug bit the big black bear.*

ACTIVE VOCABULARY:

- 1. Read the words that are not connected with the topic "My Native Town":



access	graduate
authorities	picturesque
amateur	population
boundary	probation
dweller	refectory
encampment	ravine
enrollment	region
enterprise	settlement
facilities	sewage
landscape	staff
assignment	to host
places of interest	to remodel
monument	to attend
museum	to elaborate
native	works

2. Do the crossword on the topic "My Native Town":



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Look through the list of words and fill in the gaps: monument, villages, native, local, landscape, countryside, settlements, population

Most Belarusian people are more at home in the 1) ... than in the city. Though 64 per cent of the 2) ... live in towns and cities nearly half of them have moved there only recently. Their hearts and roots are still at the 3) ... place where they were born.

There is no other place like a countryside for those who have learned in childhood to love its monotonous 4) ... with innumerable lakes, rivers, forests and fields, its small quiet

5) ... and modern 6) I do love all that. I like the village with its winding streets, 7) ... people, green carpets of meadows. I like standing on the highest hill, where there is a 8) ... to those killed in action during World War II.

QUESTIONNAIRE

“How do you like your native town or city?”

- *Complete the questionnaire, and then discuss your answers with your partner:*

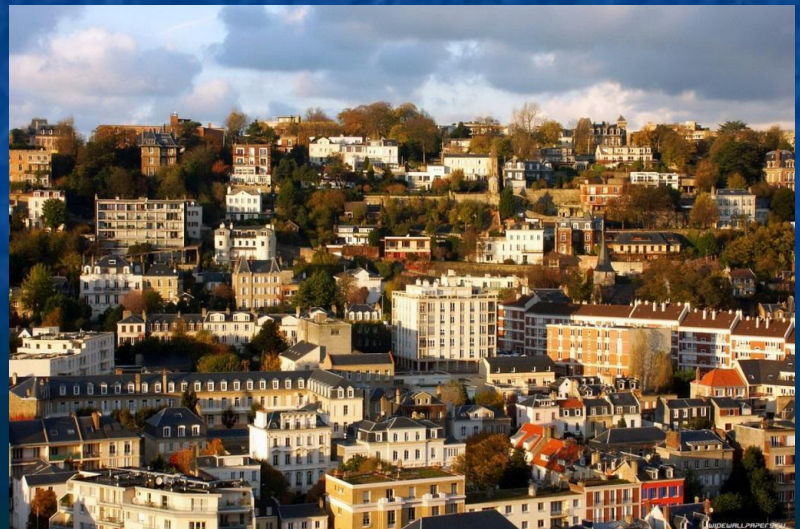
	Like it a lot	Like it a little	Don't like it
parks			
public transport			
nightlife			
restaurants			
air quality			
safety			
traffic			
the economy			
shopping			
culture			
architecture			

Useful Phrases:

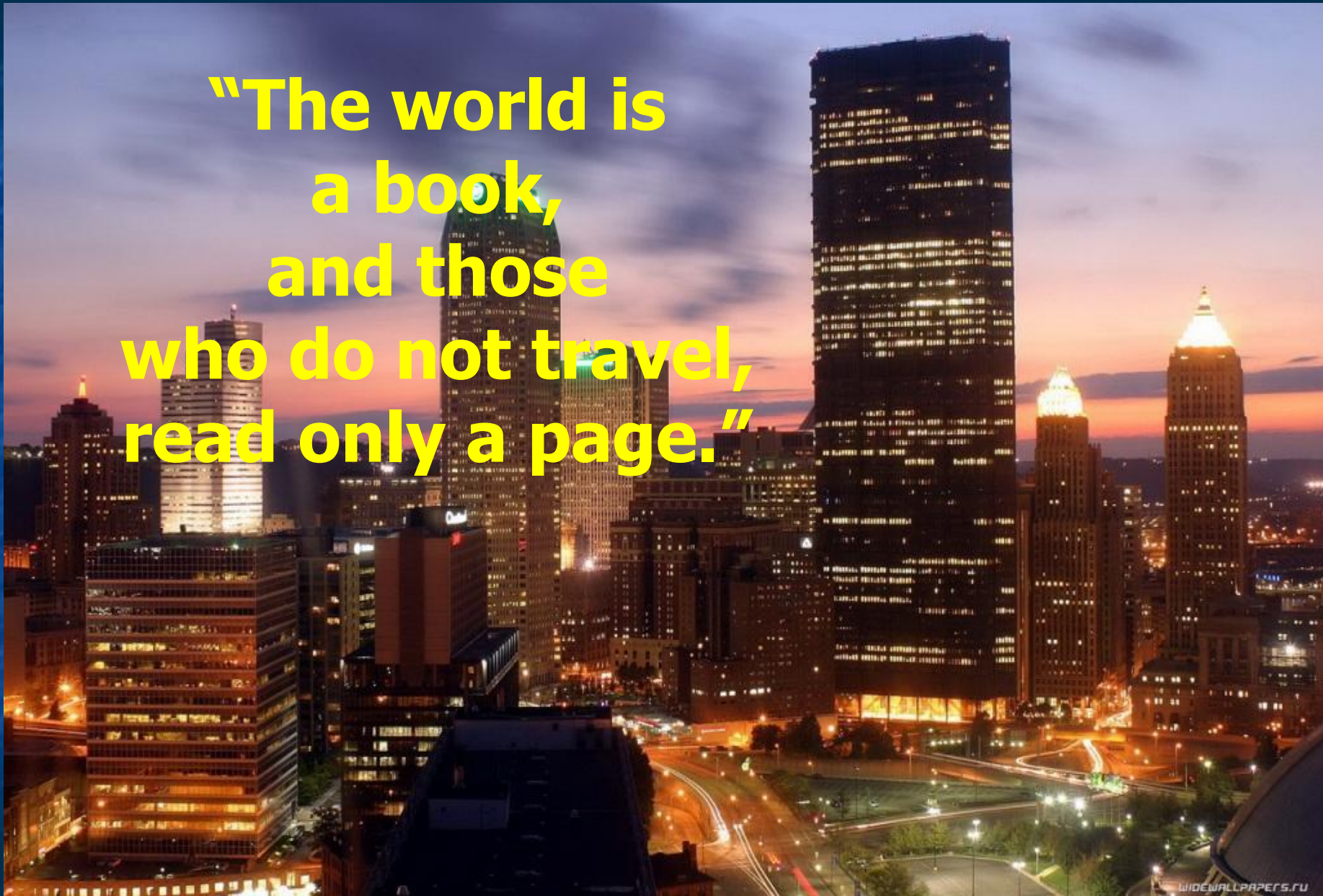
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In my opinion ...	I don't think so.
From my point of view ...	I don't quite agree with ...
I consider ...	I can't agree with ...
I think ...	I don't think that ...
To my mind ...	

Useful Phrases:

- I'd like to live in a place where there is / there are ...
- a nice quiet river.
 - clean and green streets.
 - clean air.
 - entertainment for young people.
 - many museums, theatres and parks.
 - free public transport.



**“The world is
a book,
and those
who do not travel,
read only a page.”**





TODD BRIDGES



Todd Bridges is only seventeen years old but he is already a successful tennis player. He comes from Chicago, USA, but he travels all over the world playing tennis. Last year he played in tennis championships in Melbourne, Dubai, and Paris.

- Listen to the interview with Todd Bridges – a successful tennis player attentively.
- Before you listen, read the words and questions.

Words:

Melbourne – Мельбурн

Tennis Open – соревнования по теннису

cosmopolitan – космополитический

Dubai – Дубай

to imagine – представлять себе, воображать

Answer the questions:

1. Where did Todd go last year?
2. When is summer in Melbourne?
3. When was Todd in Dubai?
4. Did Todd enjoy Dubai?
5. When is Paris especially romantic?

Test your knowledge:

Choose the correct variant:

1. We use ... for the comparative degree of adjectives with one syllable.

- a) -est
- b) -er
- c) more
- d) the most

2. We use ... for the comparative degree of adjectives with two and more syllables.

- a) -est
- b) -er
- c) more
- d) the most

3. We use ... for the superlative degree of adjectives with one syllable.

- a) -est
- b) -er
- c) more
- d) the most

4. We use ... for the superlative degree of adjectives with two and more syllables.

- a) -est
- b) -er
- c) more
- d) the most

Revise the rule!

	<i>The Comparative Degree</i>	<i>The Superlative Degree</i>
Adjectives with one syllable	tall + er = taller big + er = bigger	long + est = the longest hot + est = the hottest
Adjectives with two and more syllables	famous + more (less) = more (less) famous	modern + the most (the least) = the most (the least) modern
Adjectives ending in -y	pretty + er = prettier	easy + est = the easiest
Irregular forms	good – better – the best bad – worse – the worst old – older – the oldest old – elder – the eldest (to talk about the members of the family)	

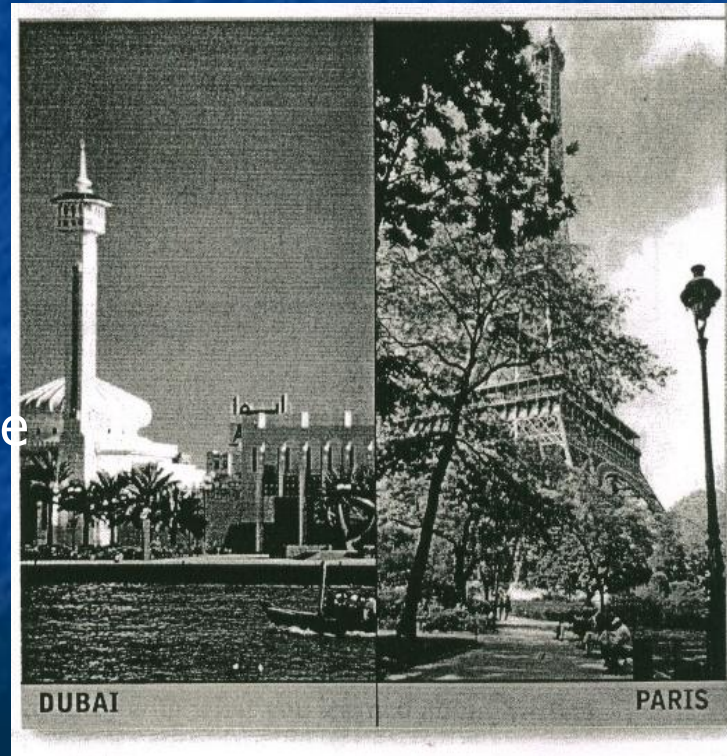
MELBOURNE



!!! Listen to the second part of the conversation with Todd and complete the text with missed words. Say what degree of comparison (comparative or superlative) is used in these sentences.

Melbourne was interesting, but for me, Paris was ... than Melbourne, and in some ways Dubai was ... of all because it was so different from any other place I know. It was also ..., driest, and It was hot in Melbourne but not ... in Dubai. Dubai was much ...! Melbourne is much ... than Dubai but not ... Paris.

Paris was ... city I visited, but it has some great modern buildings, too. It was ... place. I loved it!



HOMework

Revise the material and be ready to answer the questions:

- What do you like best about living in Belarus?
- What would you miss if you had to live abroad?
- Living in Belarus. Advantages and disadvantages.

Thank you very much
for your attention and
your work!!!