

**Victory Day**



The most important holiday in Russia is anniversary of the Great Victory in World War II.



A photograph of four men standing in a line. From left to right: a man in a dark green military uniform with a peaked cap and numerous medals; a man in a dark suit with his hand to his forehead; a man in a dark navy uniform with a white-topped cap and medals; and a man in a dark suit with medals. They are standing behind a large, vibrant arrangement of red and white flowers. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be an outdoor setting with buildings.

The Great Patriotic War ended in May 1945. That spring day of May 9 went down in the history of our country as Victory Day.

**Usually the centre of the festival is Red Square in Moscow. Red Square is the traditional place for military parades and working people's demonstrations on national holidays.**



In every town and village people take part in the meetings and put flowers to the foot of the monuments for soldiers who didn't come back from the battlefields.



More than 20 million Soviet soldiers and people gave their lives for the sake of the freedom of many foreign countries.



It was a victory won by the Soviet people  
who rose to the defence of their  
Motherland!



The Victory in the Great Patriotic War  
was won by the Soviet people in the  
name of peace and life on Earth!



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