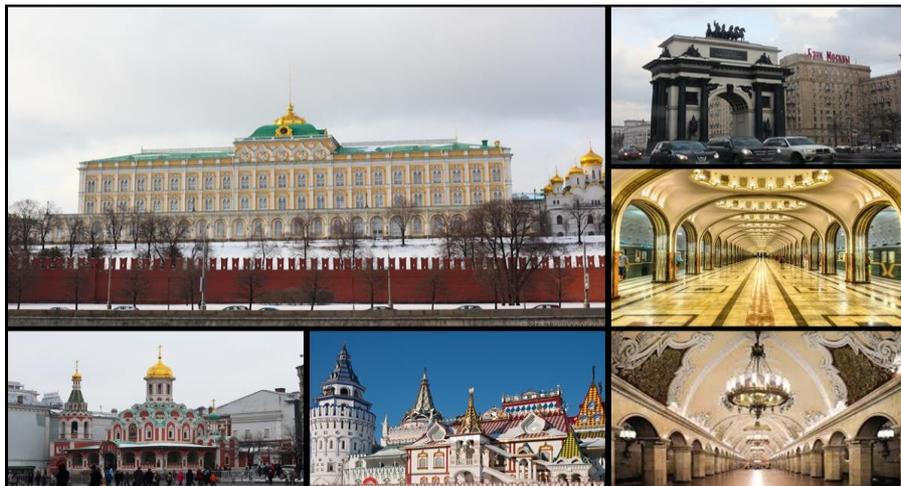


World 08: Moscow (Russia)



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Exercise 1 | Vocabulary and Expressions (Vocabulary and Expressions)

Directions: Listen and repeat.

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Vocabulary and Expressions	Example
megacity (megacity)	Tokyo can really be described as a megacity .
advertise (advertise)	You have to advertise your product better if you want people to buy it.
sarcastic (sarcastic)	Are you being sarcastic , or do you really mean it?
renowned (renowned)	He is a renowned IT specialist.
predominant (predominant)	Pop is the predominant genre of music played in this bar.
at the expense of (at the expense of)	Oil prices are rising at the expense of consumers.
remarkable (remarkable)	Running a marathon is a remarkable achievement.
picture (picture)	I can already picture how the hotel will look like.

Exercise 2 | Dialogue (Dialogue)

Directions: Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

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This year, Celia is planning to go to Moscow. Kris is curious about her choice.

Kris : I am curious why you want to go to Moscow so badly. I mean, I know they have **splendid** architecture, but is that the only reason?

Celia : Yes, pretty much. By the way, did you know it's the coldest **megacity** on Earth?

Kris : Oh, that's such a good way to **advertise** a place!

Celia : No need to be **sarcastic**. Some people actually prefer cold places! Anyway, there are so many places to go to! Cathedrals, museums, palaces!

Kris : Oh yes, I know that **renowned** cathedral, actually I think churches and religious buildings are **predominant** in Moscow, am I right?

Celia : That's only partially true. It used to be that way a long time ago, but then they started to modernize the capital city, so a lot of the churches were destroyed, and many roads were built **at the expense** of a lot of old buildings. Some of the modern constructions include the seven skyscrapers, called the Seven Sisters.

Kris : By the way, I heard that Moscow has the 5th longest subway network in the world.

Celia : It does. The metro system started being built in the 1930s. What's absolutely **remarkable** about it, is the fact that it reflects the architecture from above the ground! It has columns, high and painted ceilings, sculptures, decorated walls, chandeliers...some stations literally look like palace chambers!

Kris : That sounds incredible! I find it hard to **picture** such a subway station!

Exercise 3 | Filling in the Blanks (Filling in the Blanks)

Directions: Fill in the blanks below to complete the sentences.

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1. Tokyo is the largest _____ in the world.
2. This restaurant is _____ for the incredibly delicious food!
3. My friend gives many _____ comments and makes fun of things.
4. He was rewarded for his _____ results in his work.
5. She described the place so well. I could _____ it clearly.
6. In Japan, the convenience stores are the _____ type of shops.
7. We need to _____ our products somehow to get more customers.
8. He never liked his job; he continued working there _____ his happiness.

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Exercise 4 | Free Conversation (Free Conversation)

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1. How many megacities are in your country? Do you find it convenient or comfortable to live there?
2. What do you think about the Moscow subway? Would you like to have a similar subway system in your country?
3. Would you like to visit Moscow?
4. What can you tell us about the skyscrapers or the tallest buildings in your country?