

УСТНЫЙ ТУР

SPEAKING (20 points)

Time: 30 minutes

КАРТОЧКА УЧАСТНИКА

FAMOUS MEMORIAL COMPLEXES

Set 1 Student 1: The Rzhev Memorial to the Soviet Soldier

Preparation 15 minutes

Presentation and questions 15 minutes

Task 1

1. Monologue (3-4 minutes).

Your English Club is organising a trip to one of the famous Russian memorial complexes during the holidays and you are to propose a memorial complex to your school mates that is worth visiting. You have to present the information about the memorial complex (Set 1: **The Rzhev Memorial to the Soviet Soldier**) to the fellow students to persuade them to visit the memorial complex. Prepare to speak about **The Rzhev Memorial to the Soviet Soldier** using the Fact File. You need to speak about:

- *the location of the memorial complex*
- *rendering of the memorial complex*
- *the history of the memorial*
- *value for society*

Persuade your fellow students that the memorial complex will be the best choice and remember to make an introduction and conclusion.

You can make notes during the preparation time, but you are not allowed to read them during your presentation.

2. Questions and answers (2-3 minutes).

Answer two questions asked by your partner, who wants to get ADDITIONAL INFORMATION not mentioned in your presentation.

Task 2

1. Listen to your partner's presentation (Set 2 Student 2: The Motherland Calls) (3-4 minutes).

2. Questions and answers (2 - 3 minutes).

Ask two questions about **The Motherland Calls** to get ADDITIONAL INFORMATION not mentioned in the presentation. Questions about your partner's opinion are NOT accepted.

YOUR ANSWERS WILL BE RECORDED

SET 1. THE RZHEV MEMORIAL TO THE SOVIET SOLDIER

FACT FILE

The location of the memorial complex	• 210 kilometers north-east of Moscow • can be located with the navigation system by the M9 highway, the village of Khoroshevo • near the city of Rzhev in Russia's Tver Oblast • can be seen from miles away • put in a special casing and its territory is fenced off • installed at the site of a series of fierce battles • located in the very place where the battles with the Nazi Army Group Center took place
Rendering of the memorial complex	• an example of postmodern architecture • the monument features a bronze 25-metre-tall statue of a soldier in the Red Army standing on a 10-metre mound. • the dramatic sculpture depicting a soldier of the Red Army standing solemnly with a gun in his hand • the image of a soldier dissolving in a flock of birds originates from the poem Zhuravli by Rasul Gamzatov. • on the road leading to the mound, there are images of soldiers on broken walls situated on both sides, as well as the names of those who were killed in action during the battle. • on the site, there is a museum which exhibits multimedia installations depicting scenes of fierce battles at Rzhev in 1942-1943.
The history of the memorial	• The Rzhev Memorial is a complex built in memory of one of the bloodiest battles in world history. • The idea to create this memorial in honor of the jubilee of the victory was put forward by veterans of the Great Patriotic War. • Andrei Korobtsov and Konstantin Fomin were the respective sculptor and architect for the project. • The construction of the monument was financed and supported by the Russian government, local government and private donations. • A towering statue honoring Soviet soldiers who lost their lives during the Second World War was unveiled on June 30, 2020 by Russian President Vladimir Putin. • The erection of the monument was completed in time for the anniversary celebrations on May 9, the dedication ceremony being put off due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Value for society	• a symbol of our common memory of the heroic deeds of Soviet soldiers who fought and died for their country • to remember the lessons learned from the Great Patriotic War, which contribute to the country's identity and national pride • to appreciate the sacrifice the soldiers made and how it has influenced the world we live in today • to honour the memory of all victims of the Nazism • allows us to reflect on the cruel lessons of war and avoid attempts to falsify the history of the Second World War by erasing and distorting it

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Set 2 Student 2: The Motherland Calls

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Presentation and questions 15 minutes

Task 1

1. Monologue (3-4 minutes).

Your English Club is organising a trip to one of the famous Russian memorial complexes during the holidays and you are to propose a memorial complex to your school mates that is worth visiting. You have to present the information about the memorial complex (Set 2: The Motherland Calls) to the fellow students to persuade them to visit the memorial complex. Prepare to speak about The Motherland Calls using the Fact File. You need to speak about:

- *the location of the memorial complex*
- *rendering of the memorial complex*
- *the history of the memorial complex*
- *value for society*

Persuade your fellow students that the memorial complex will be the best choice and remember to make an introduction and conclusion.

You can make notes during the preparation time, but you are not allowed to read them during your presentation.

2. Questions and answers (2- 3 minutes).

Answer two questions asked by your partner, who wants to get ADDITIONAL INFORMATION not mentioned in your presentation.

Task 2

1. Listen to your partner's presentation (Set 1 Student 1: The Rzhev Memorial to the Soviet Soldier) (3-4 minutes).

2. Questions and answers (2- 3 minutes).

Ask two questions about The Rzhev Memorial to the Soviet Soldier to get ADDITIONAL INFORMATION not mentioned in the presentation. Questions about your partner's opinion are NOT accepted.

YOUR ANSWERS WILL BE RECORDED.

SET 2. THE MOTHERLAND CALLS

FACT FILE

The location and the memorial complex	• is located on the Mamayev Kurgan in Volgograd • is approximately 24 kilometers away from Volgograd • will take around 14 minutes to reach • is located at the very place where the German army was defeated by the soldiers from the Soviet Union during World War II • from the foot of the Mother Motherland, extensive views of all the elements of the ensemble, the city, the Volga, Zavolzhie • the Mother Motherland is visible within ten kilometers dominating the whole town.
Rendering of the memorial complex	• The height of a statue considering the sword is 85 meters and it weighs 8,000 tons. • The sculpture is the tallest in Europe. • The enormous artwork is the centerpiece of a wider memorial complex, a symbol of strength and determination. • The Mother Motherland has 200 steps from the base of the area till the foot of the statue that represents 200 days of the bloody Battle of Stalingrad. • There are 35 granite tombstones of the heroes, members of the Stalingrad Battle along a winding path leading to the Mamayev Kurgan. • The sculpture depicts a woman stepping forward in an elegant but forceful manner, her left arm outstretched before her and her right raised high and wielding a mighty sword. • The epic figure of the Mother Motherland – an allegorical image of a country calling her children to provide protection from invaders – is the center of a huge memorial complex.
The history of the memorial	• The whole complex has been formed to commemorate the Battle of Stalingrad. • This historic site saw some of the most intense fighting during the battle. • More than 35,000 Soviet soldiers are buried around the statue. • The Motherland calls was designed by the famous sculptor Yevgeny Vuchetich in association with Nikolai Nikitin, a structural engineer after the battle was over. • This statue was unveiled on 15th October 1967, in a grand event commemorating the 25th anniversary of the battle.
Value for society	• an embodiment of victory, heroism and devotion of the Soviet people • a reminder of all the sacrifices the martyred soldiers made to keep the nation and future generations safe • a place to promote patriotic education and develop the sense of pride and respect for history • a symbol of strength and resilience embodying the image of Motherland as great and indestructible after severe trials • serving a constant reminder of the price at which peace was won