

Baranovichi (virtual walk-about)

Dear friends, you came to our city for the first time and you don't know where to go? That's not a problem. Let's walk together over city.

Let's start from the centre of it. We consider our Central Square as both geographical and cultural centre of Baranovichi. This square is named after Vladimir Lenin. It's just because of the monument standing on the square. It is a part of our past and still it's one of the cultural monuments of the city.

By the way, not far from the square there's a wonderful place. It's a fountain which is one of the most favourite places where our citizens like to have a rest. This fountain is not a typical one but the light-and-music fountain.

If you are a movie fan you can visit the October Cinema. Its architectural project won a special prize for the original design. In the same building you can not only see a movie but play a computer game or drink a cup of tea in its café.

So, in a minute's way from the October Cinema we see a monument on the right hand. It's so called Eternal Flame. Behind it, you can see the Cenotaph of the Unknown Warrior killed during World War II. Behind the monument in some fifty meters, you can find a building. Its name is the City's House of Culture. The left and right sides of the central street are full of various shops. An industrial enterprise on your right hand is Baravchanka Sewing Factory.

Ex. 1. Work with your partner. Student A read the information below, Student B reads the text about Baranovichi. Ask each other questions to find out the information you need. The hints are given.

Student A

- The cultural and geographical centre of Baranovichi is
- Vladimir Lenin
- The most favourite place of the citizens is
- won a special prize for the original design
- an industrial enterprise is

Ex.2 Read the questions. What do the words in bold mean? Match with their synonyms given below and answer the questions:

- to form
- main
- a large part of territory
- the beginning of something
- to overcome and control

1. What **region** of Belarus do you live in? What is its **major** city? Have you ever been to other regions of your country? What are they?

2. What is your city/ town/ village called? Do you know the **origin** of its name?
If you don't, think of one possible origin of its name.
3. How many areas is your city/ town/ village **made up of**?
4. Has your city/ town/ village ever been **conquered**?

Ex. 3 Mark sentences as true /false :

1. The Central Square is geographical and cultural centre of the city.
2. The citizens like to have a rest in the Molodoy Park.
3. The architectural design of the October Cinema won a special prize.
4. You can only watch a movie there.
5. The monument of Vladimir Lenin is the most cultural monuments of Baranovichi.