## Welcome to Belarus. Beloozersk is my native town

Beloozersk is a city in the Berezovsky district, Brest region of Belarus. Part of its territory is located in very beauti ful and picturesque places, on the banks of the Beloe, Chernoe and Sporovskoe lakes. This triangle of lakes is exactly what makes our district so unusual and attractive. Hundreds of fishing amateurs come here all the year round. And in summer a lot of holiday-makers escape from heat and fuss of their towns to find relief near glassy water.

Beloozersk was founded in 1958 near the village of Nivki as a settlement of power in connection with the construction of Berezovskaya GRES. From 12 January 1960 exists as a work settlement Berezovsky, June 25, 1960, the village was renamed in Beloozersk.16 Sep 1970 Beloozersk has the status of a city of regional subordination.

The town has two secondary schools, a gymnasia, a vocational and technical college of electrical engineering, a children's art school, five kindergartens, a palace of culture, a children and youth's center of additional education, an environmental center, a children and youth's sports school, a hotel, a sanatorium and a hospital.

The leading industrial enterprises of the town are: the Bereza steam central power station, the Beloozersk electromechanical plant, the footwear factory "Verdimar". The city has a combined train and bus station and a modern petrol station.

St. Seraphim's Church is a picturesque decoration of Beloozersk. It is built in a classical Byzantine style.

In the center of the town there is a square with the monument to the heroes who were killed during the Great Patriotic War fighting for Bereza. Their remains were reburied there in 1973. The obelisk was erected and the Eternal flame was lit in the square in 1976. Because the names of many soldiers were unknown, the search operation started which involved the students of the secondary school No. 2 under the leadership of the headmaster L. D. Belinshchikov. As a result the names of the 19 heroes were found out. And in 1988 the Museum of military and labor glory was opened at school No. 2. One of the exhibits of the Museum is dedicated to the history and fighting of the 130th speed bomber aviation regiment. Its pilots fought against the Nazi invaders during the first days of the war in the sky of Bereza.

The pride of Beloozersk is Nina Iosifovna Matyash (1943-2008). She is a well-known Belarusian poetess, a laureate of the Prize named after A. Kuleshov and the International Prize named after G. Skovoroda, a laureate of the Festival "Berastseiskaya Zorka-98", an honorary citizen of the town of Beloozersk, an honoured art worker of the Republic of Belarus and an author of 30 collections of poems.

Our town is nice at any season, but it's especially beautiful in summer when everything around is immersed in greenery and blossom. And the main wealth of the town is its people - kind-hearted and hardworking, who love their town and dedicate their poems to it. Welcome to Beloozersk!

## Answer the questions:

- 1. Where is Beloozersk located?
- 2. What make city unusual and attractive?
- 3. When and where Beloozersk was founded?
- 4. What sights of the city can you name?
- 5. Continue the sentence: The leading industrial enterprises of the town are...
- 6. What famous people from Beloozersk do you know?
- 7. Try to guess what place of Beloozersk is on picture.







