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UNIT 6. In the city.

Lesson 8. My favourite place.

KOBRIN

I. Write the verbs in the past form and translate: live, mention, be, found, present, destroy, win.

II. Read the text.

My native town is Kobrin. It is situated in western Belarus, Brest region. It stands on the bank of the river Mukhovets. It is one of the oldest towns in the country. It was first mentioned in 1287. Kobrin was founded by Vladimir Volynskiy who presented the town to his wife Olga.

In the 16th century there were 2 castles in Kobrin but they were destroyed. In 1795 Kobrin was presented to Aleksandr Suvorov, who lived there for three years. Now tourists can visit Suvorov Museum and Suvorov park where you can

play on the slide and on the seesaw.

In 1812 the first victory over French Napoleon army was won in Kobrin. A monument to this victory you can find on the bank of the river.

During the war of 1941-1945 it was greatly destroyed, 13 000 people died.

Now it is a nice green town. 52 000 people live there. You can find small houses of $18^{th} - 19^{th}$ centuries, ancient churches, green parks. There are 9 schools, a lot of plants and factories, cafes and restaurants. Tourists like to visit the aquapark and the Historical Museum.

Among famous people lived in Kobrin were A. Griboyedov and A. Tvardovskiy.

III. Answer the questions.

- 1. Who was Kobrin founded by?
- 2. Where is it situated?
- 3. When was it first mentioned?
- 4. When were there 2 castles in the town?
- 5. How many years did Suvorov live in Kobrin?
- 6. What happened in 1812?
- 7. What places can tourists visit in Kobrin?

IV. Complete the sentences.

- 1. Kobrin stands....
- 2. ... people live in Kobrin.
- 3. It was first mentioned in...
- 4. Tourists can visit ... Museum and ... park.
- 5. A monument to the victory... you can find on the bank of the river.
- 6. Tourists like to visit ...

V. What is your favourite place in Kobrin and why?