

- Description** Students read a text on a holiday in Moscow and answer True or False questions
Lesson link Use this activity after exercise 5
Time 15 minutes
Extra material Print out and photocopy the *Maria's Moscow Holiday* worksheet for each student
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Instructions

In lesson 7C SS have read about a holiday in Norway and the USA. Now they further practise the language of the lesson by reading about a holiday in Russia, and answering True or False questions.

Answers

- 1 True.
- 2 False. She 'was so excited'.
- 3 True.
- 4 False. You can't do this because of security.
- 5 False. They bought lots of things.
- 6 False. It is on the other side of town.
- 7 True.
- 8 False. They stayed in their hotel.
- 9 True.

Maria's Moscow Holiday

I went on the TV programme *Changing Holidays* in August last year. Well, my holiday was a trip to the Seychelles: beautiful beaches in the Indian Ocean. But when the programme's presenter Peter Douglas told me 'you are going to go to Moscow' I was so excited! Moscow! For a holiday!

We left London at 5a.m. and it was raining. When we arrived in Moscow it was sunny and bright. I had to take off my coat to walk around. But the first thing we did was to go on the Metro. This was great. It was so beautiful and I wanted to take photos but you can't do this because of security.

In the afternoon we went shopping in the centre of town. It was very busy and we bought a lot of things. We also went to the Izmaylovo Market which is at the end of the Metro on the other side of town. I wanted to buy a Russian hat but I didn't find one in my size.

In the evening we ate in a lovely restaurant and drank Russian wine because I don't like vodka. It tasted great and the food was good too. We thought about going out dancing but we were very tired and we stayed in. We thought we should stay in because the hotel was so expensive! Moscow is not a cheap city to stay in. But it was no problem because the TV programme paid all our bills!

Read the text and mark the sentences True (T) or False (F).

- 1 Maria really wanted to go on a sea holiday.
- 2 Maria was disappointed when she heard her holiday was in Moscow.
- 3 The weather was good.
- 4 She took a lot of photos on the Metro.
- 5 They didn't find anything to buy.
- 6 Izmaylovo Market is in the centre of Moscow.
- 7 At dinner they drank some alcohol.
- 8 They went out into Moscow all night.
- 9 The hotel was expensive but they didn't worry.