

Card #5. You are going to give a talk about **Moscow**. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and speak for not more than 2 minutes (7 -12 sentences).

Remember to say:

- what your city is famous for
- what your favourite place in Moscow is, and **why you like** it
- what other places in Moscow you can recommend a foreign tourist to visit

I. **Introduction.** Moscow is the capital of Russia. It is situated in the centre of the European part of the country. Moscow has a long and glorious history. It was founded in 1147 by Prince Yury Dolgoruky. Muscovites love and respect their native city.

II. **Main body.**

1. The city is famous for the places of great historical value (like the Kremlin with its palaces and cathedrals, Red Square and Spasskaya Clock Tower). There are many monuments to national heroes who brilliantly served our country. There are memorials in honour of the events which went down in history.

2. My favourite place in Moscow isbecause
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3. I'd like to recommend a foreign tourist to visit
because.....
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III. **Conclusion.** I can't help admiring this busy, ancient and open to all city.
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Notes:

Moscow **museums and art galleries** attract thousands of art-lovers from all over the world. **The State Tretyakov Gallery**, for example, is well-known for its remarkable collections of paintings by Russian artistes from ancient times to our days.

The delightful **opera and ballet performances in the Bolshoi Opera House** can impress anyone who is fond of music, dancing and singing.

Moscow offers you an excellent chance to take up sports. There are **stadiums, tennis courts, swimming pools and skating rinks** here. International competitions are often held in the capital and they gather crowds of sport fans.

Moscow is the centre of **science and education**. The oldest **Russian University**, different **colleges and schools** can be found here.

The central streets and squares of Moscow are very busy, noisy, with crowds of people going to work or tourists having excursions. It is not a place to come to for a quiet rest. But there are some peaceful places too. Among them **Gorky Park, Izmailovsky Park, Sokolniki**. Here you can admire splendid sights and relax after a hard working week.