Lesson №4

Baranivka

Baranivka is a nice town. It is firstly mentioned under the year 1565. Our town lies on the banks of the river Sluch.

There are several different points of view on the origin of the word "Baranivka". Some people think that the name of our town is connected with the porcelain manufacturing. Craftsmen made goods called "barantsi" out of clay and sold them. These things were very popular at that time, that's why our town Baranivka was named after them.

According to other legend the old settlement of Baranivka was situated on the river Dushnivka. There were a lot of big stones in the river. They were round and polished as ram's forehead. That's why people called them "barany".

There is also assumption that the name "Baranivka" can be connected with surname of a man once lived in settlement or with domestic animals bred on its territory.

A lot of people in my town work in different offices and there are some plants. The town has 12 industrial enterprises, more than 20 private firms and three utility companies that produce products and provide various services.

The plant "Organic Milk" was built in 2013. The main business area of the enterprise is the production of organic certified milk products, and development of organic products market in Ukraine.

A small hydroelectric power plant was built on September 9, 2017.

There are a hospital, some banks, a bus stop, two churches, a cinema, a concert hall, a sport centre, libraries, museums, a park, a police station, a post office, a town hall and lots of shops. There are also 3 lyceums.

There are some monuments in Baranivka such as the Monument to Perished Soldiers, the monument to T.H. Shevchenko, the monument to the people who died during the war in Afghanistan, the monument to the heroes of Chornobyl' , the monument to Heavens' Hundred Heroes and the monument to Heroes of Ukraine, and the monument "430 years of Baranivka".

There is a big park in my town. You can see a lake in the centre of it. Next to the park there is the sport centre with a football pitch.

Every town has its own charm but I cannot help admiring my native town.

1. **Read the text again. Are the sentences true or false?**

1) Baranivka lies on the banks of the river Sluch. T F
2) This town was named after its own river. T F
3) There some plants in Baranivka. T F
4) There are 12 industrial enterprises, more than 20 private firms and three utility companies that produce products and provide various services. T F
5) You can't see the park in Baranivka. T F
6) There aren't any museums in our town. T F

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