Topic: Traveling Across Ukraine

Ukraine is a large and diverse country, combining unique natural landscapes, ancient traditions, and a rich history. Traveling across Ukraine, you can see majestic castles, picturesque mountains, wide steppes, and old cities that preserve the memory of many generations.

Task 1 – Reading and questions:

1. Why is Ukraine called a diverse country?

2. Which places have you already visited?

3. Which place in Ukraine would you like to visit the most?

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Historical Landmarks of Ukraine

Ukraine has many historical landmarks from the times of Kievan Rus, the Cossacks, and the Middle Ages. Some of the most famous are: Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra, Saint Sophia Cathedral, Kamianets-Podilskyi Castle, Khotyn Fortress, Ostroh Castle, Khortytsia Island — the cradle of Ukrainian Cossacks.

Task 2 – Multiple choice:

1. The oldest Christian shrine in Ukraine is:

○ Saint Sophia Cathedral

○ Ostroh Castle

○ Khortytsia

2. Kamianets-Podilskyi Castle is located in:

○ Lviv

○ Khmelnytskyi region

○ Odesa

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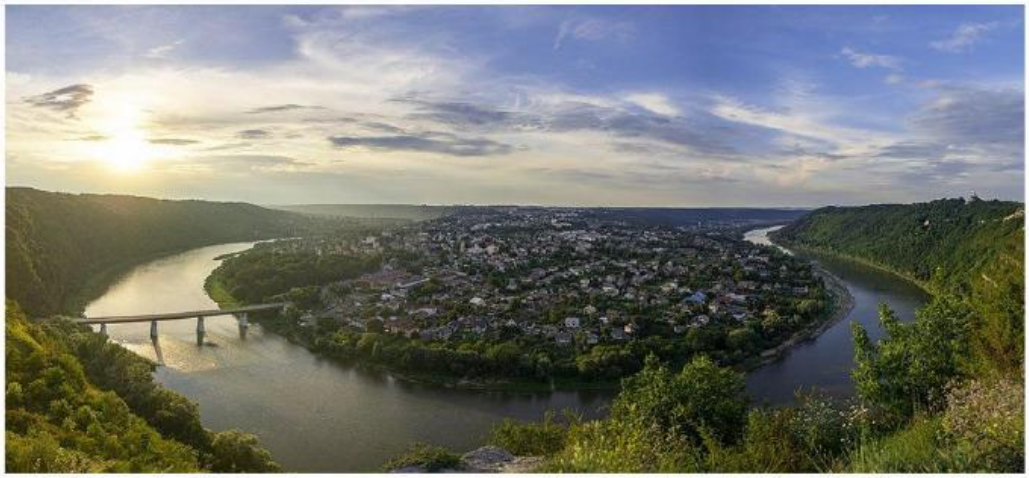
1. Khotyn Fortress	A. An ancient XI-century church, famous for its mosaics.
2. Khortytsia Island	B. A notable cultural center of the Ostroh princes.
3. Saint Sophia Cathedral	C. A medieval fortification on the banks of the Dniester River.
4. Ostroh Castle	D. An island where Ukrainian Cossacks were formed.



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Who Am I? (Natural Wonders)

Task 5 – Identify the natural wonder from the description:

1. A picturesque canyon created by the Dniester River.

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2. A reserve where rare animals and plants live, and the steppe has remained in its natural state.

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3. A mountain range where Hoverla is located.

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4. A real Ukrainian desert.

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Cultural and Ethnographic Regions

Ukraine has many cultural regions: Hutsulshchyna, Boykivshchyna, Podillia, Slobozhanshchyna, Polissia, Zakarpattia, Tavria, and others. Each region has its own traditions, dishes, music, dialects, and national clothing.

Task 6 – Match the region with the description:

Regions:	Descriptions:
1. Hutsuls	A. Known for carving, trembita, and bright traditional costumes.
2. Slobozhanshchyna	B. Region with ancient literary traditions and Sloboda customs.
3. Podillia	C. Has modest clothing, mountain culture.
4. Boykos	D. Region of fertile lands and old cities.

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Travel as an Educational Tool

Travel helps children observe, analyze, broaden their horizons, and understand culture and history better. It can be part of a lesson or project: excursions, trips, virtual tours, quests, route maps.

Task 7 – Short answer:

1. How can travel help students in learning?

2. What type of educational trip would you like to do at school?

3. What new things can you learn during a trip?

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Create Your Own Travel Route

Instructions:

1. Choose three places in Ukraine you want to visit.

2. Write why you want to visit each place.

3. Optionally, draw or insert a photo of one of the places.

Task 1 – Fill in the blanks:

Place #1: _____

Reason to visit: _____

Place #2: _____

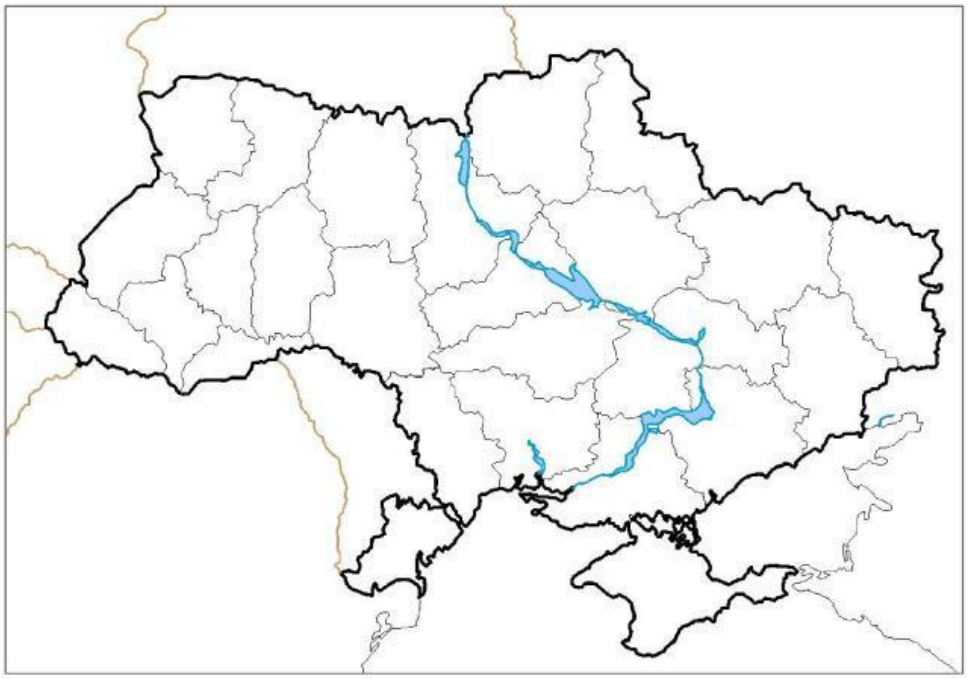
Reason to visit: _____

Place #3: _____

Reason to visit: _____

Task 2 – Map activity / Drag & Drop:

Look at the map of Ukraine. Drag and drop the names of your 3 chosen places onto the correct locations.



Labels to drag: Kyiv, Lviv, Odessa, Carpathians, Dnipro, Kamianets-Podilskyi

Task 3 – Optional audio:

Record a short answer: “Tell me one interesting fact about one of the places you chose.”

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