

CULTURE

CITIES AND TOWNS OF UKRAINE

FACTFILE Ukraine

Ukraine is situated in Europe. The capital of Ukraine is Kyiv. Other big cities include Lviv, Odesa, Dnipro, Kharkiv, and Donetsk. There are the Carpathian Mountains, the Black Sea, and the Sea of Azov in Ukraine. They are great places to visit. The Ukrainian flag is yellow and blue. These are the national colours of Ukraine. The name of the money in Ukraine is hryvnias (₴).

1 Discuss the questions with your partner.

- 1 What village / town / city are you from?
- 2 Is it big or small?
- 3 What are the popular places there?

2 Put the names of the cities on the map.

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| 1 Kyiv | 4 Odesa |
| 2 Kharkiv | 5 Donetsk |
| 3 Lviv | 6 Dnipro |

3 Look at the photos below. What are the names of these cities? Read the web page quickly and check.



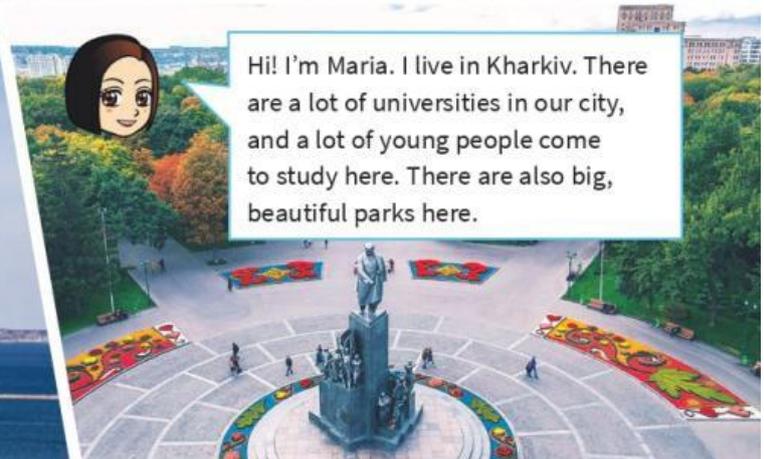
Hello! My name is Mykola. I'm from Kyiv. It is the capital of Ukraine. The popular tourist places in Kyiv are Khreshchatyk Street and Sofiiska Square. A lot of people visit Kyiv all year round.



Hi! I'm Oksana, and I'm from Lviv. It's an old city. There are a lot of historic buildings in Lviv. Coffee shops are very popular places in our city.



Hello! My name is Sashko and I come from Odesa. There is a big port by the Black Sea in Odesa. Winters are not cold and summers are really hot in my city.



Hi! I'm Maria. I live in Kharkiv. There are a lot of universities in our city, and a lot of young people come to study here. There are also big, beautiful parks here.

4 Read the web page again. What do these cities have? Tick (✓) columns 1-4 of the table.

	1 Kyiv	2 Kharkiv	3 Lviv	4 Odesa
coffee shops				
beautiful parks				
Sofiiska Square				
a lot of universities				
a lot of historic buildings				
a big port				

5 Look at the photos. What Ukrainian town is it? Listen to Harry and Maria and check.



The Town Hall

St Martin's Church



a statue of a chimney sweep

Palanok Castle

TALKING POINTS

What is your favourite village / town / city in Ukraine?

What are the popular / interesting places there?

INTERESTING FACT!

In Ukraine, around 70% of people live in cities and towns, and 30% of people live in big and small villages.

6 Listen again and choose the correct words in the sentences.

- Some people speak *Polish* / *Hungarian* there.
- Summer and *autumn* / *winter* are good seasons to visit Mukachevo.
- Palanok Castle is *an old* / *a new* building.
- There are a lot of *museums* / *historic buildings* in the centre of Mukachevo.
- In summer, there is a *parade of chimney sweeps* / *sweets festival* in Mukachevo.



PROJECT

A poster

In small groups or pairs, make a poster about your home town or another town, village or city in Ukraine.

On your poster, put:

- the name of the village / town / city
- some interesting facts
- names and pictures of places to visit
- pictures of popular events in this village / town / city