

Kungur is the pearl of the Urals. Let's do some exercise and find out what you know!

Task 1. Complete the text with the given words.

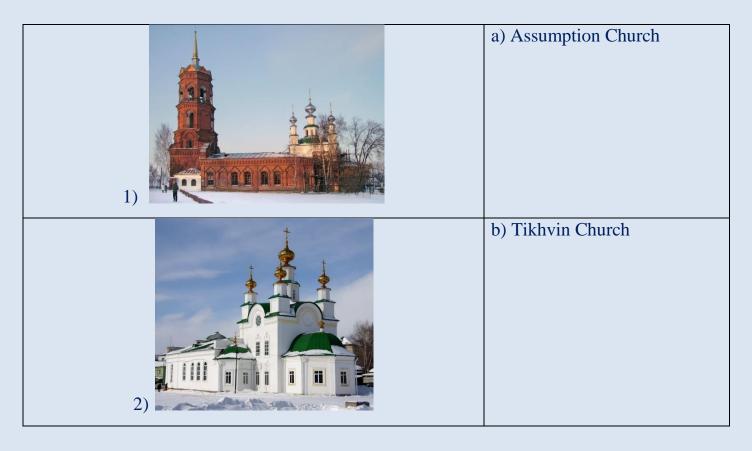
Aim of the task: learn new words and make a text with common information about the town.

Kungur is an town which was founded in 1663. Kungur has a ... and rich history. It was a town in the past. Nowadays more than 60 people live there. There are three rivers in Kungur – the Sylva, the Iren and the Shakva. The climate is temperate with ... winters and ... summers. My town is ... for the Ice Cave. It is the ... sight which is visited by a lot of tourists. When tourists come to Kungur, they can see some wonderful churches, learn ... interesting in the museums, visit the festival Sky Fair, and buy ... souvenirs. There are a lot of monuments in my town which are also ... with tourists.

(popular, warm, thousand, ancient, long, famous, main, beautiful, something, merchant, cold)

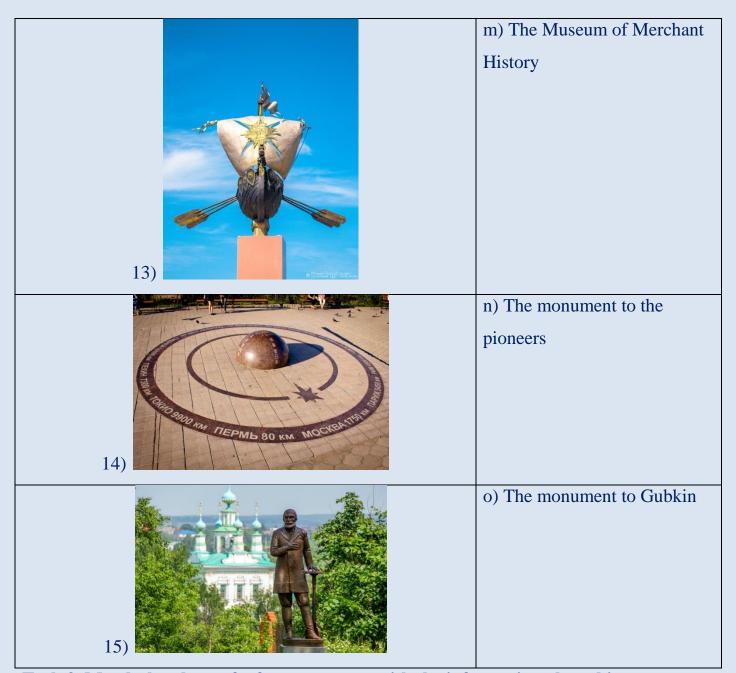
Task 2. Match the photo of the place with its name.

Aim of the task: find information about the most famous places in the town and find out what they look like.



3)	c) All-Holy Church
4)	d) Church of the Transfiguration of the Savior
5)	e) St. Nicholas Church
6)	f) Kovalev's mansion
7)	g) The square of family, love and loyalty

8)	h) The Ice Cave
9)	i) Gostiny dvor
10)	j) Gribushin's house
	k) The Art Museum
	1) The navel of the Earth



Task 3. Match the photo of a famous person with the information about him.

Aim of the task: find information about some famous people of the past and find out what they look like.

Alexey Gubkin (He donated considerable funds for Kungur temples. In memory of his daughter he established the Elizabethan Needlework School. In 1877 he opened the first Technical School. He was a merchant of the first guild, one of the largest tea merchants in Russia and an honorary citizen of of Kungur)

Mikhail Gribushin (He was a merchant of the 1st guild, an honorary citizen of Kungur and a mayor of Kungur in 1872-1876. He was actively engaged in charity. He made significant donations for the construction of the bell tower and the reconstruction of the

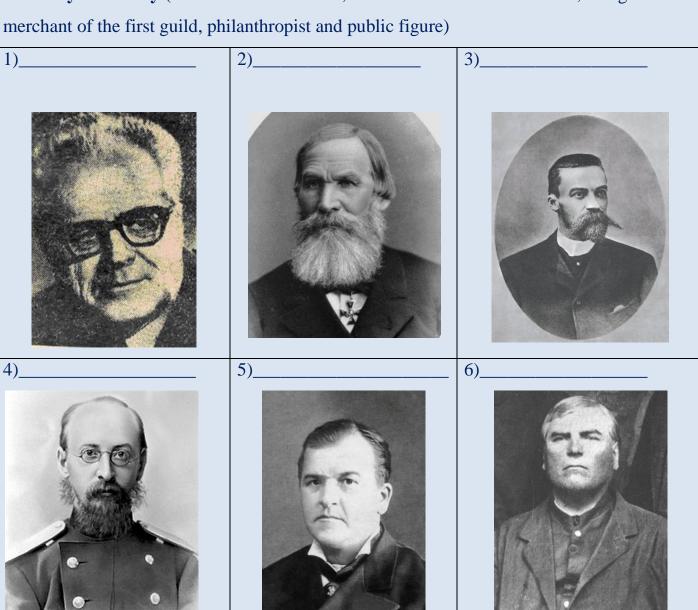
Assumption Church and the construction of the Small Gostiny Dvor.)

Alexander Kuznetsov (He was a merchant and an owner of the largest tea trading company in the Russian Empire. He annually donated thousands of rubles for the educational institutions in Kungur, built a cottage for pupils of a needlework school in the pine forest and the St. Nicholas Church over his grandfather's grave.)

Kirill Khlebnikov (He was a Russian scientist and director of the Russian-American Company. He published albums, wrote articles and notes about the Ice Cave. Soon, news about the wonderful Ural cave began to spread not only in the Perm province, but throughout Russia. News about the Kungur Ice Cave began to spread in the foreign press.)

Boris Ryabinin (He was a writer, member of the Union of Writers of the USSR. He gave the children a lot of books and left historical evidence on the topic "Kungur in the 1920s")

Vasiliy Fominsky (He was an industrialist, a founder of the shoe business, Kungur



Task 4. Decide if the statements are true or false. If it is false give the correct information.

Aim of the task: find information about some important historical events of the past.

1. Kungur was founded in 1667.	
2. Kungur was defended from the troops of Yemelyan Pugachev	
in 1774.	
3. By the end of the 19th century, the main industry was leather	
and shoe manufacturing. There were 20 tanneries in the town.	
4. The most famous tea merchants were Alexey Gubkin and	
Mikhail Gribushin.	
5. In the 19th century there were 12 factories in the town that	
produced pottery and earthenware.	
6. Since 1887 steamships between Kungur and Perm have been	
launched.	
7. In 1912 the Perm-Yekaterinburg railway passed through	
Kungur.	
8. In 1840 the town library appeared.	⊘ ×
9. In 1901the town museum and the water supply system were	
founded.	
10. In 1915 electricity was provided and the first cinema was	
opened.	
11. The Ice Cave opened for tourists in 1914.	
12. The Sky Fair festival has been held in Kungur since 2000.	

Answers for the tasks:

Task 1. Kungur is an ancient town which was founded in 1663. Kungur has a long and rich history. It was a merchant town in the past. Nowadays more than 60 thousand people live there. There are three rivers in Kungur – the Sylva, the Iren and the Shakva. The climate is temperate with cold winters and warm summers. My town is famous for the Ice Cave. It is the main sight which is visited by a lot of tourists. When tourists come to Kungur, they can see some wonderful churches, learn something interesting in the museums, visit the festival Sky Fair, and buy beautiful souvenirs. There are a lot of monuments in my town which are also popular with tourists.

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Task 2. 1b, 2a, 3e, 4c, 5d, 6g, 7h, 8f, 9j, 10i, 11m, 12k, 13n, 14l, 15o Task 3.
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- 1 Boris Ryabinin
- 2 Alexey Gubkin
- 3 Alexander Kuznetsov
- 4 Kirill Khlebnikov
- 5 Mikhail Gribushin
- 6 Vasiliy Fominsky

Task 4.

- 1. False. Kungur was founded in 1663.
- 2. True.
- 3. False. There were 33 tanneries in the city.
- 4. True.
- 5. True.
- 6. True.
- 7. False. In 1909 the Perm-Yekaterinburg railway passed through Kungur.
- 8. True.
- 9. True.
- 10. False. In 1913 electricity was provided and the first cinema was opened.
- 11. True.
- 12. False. The Sky Fair festival has been held since 2002.