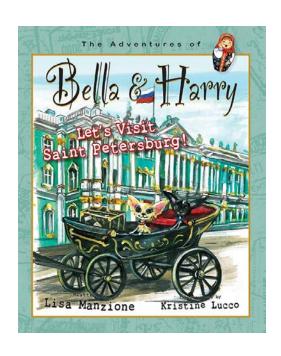
The Adventures of Bella & Harry:

Let's Visit Saint Petersburg!

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The Adventures of Bella & Harry is a children's book series chronicling the escapades of a pup named Bella, her little brother Harry and their family, who travel the world exploring the sights and sounds of new, exciting cities.

The "Bella & Harry" series is an informative, interactive and exciting way to introduce children to travel, different countries, customs, history and landmarks with the educational value of the books cleverly disguised amidst dozens of illustrated pages.

Traveling the world with these two cute and cuddly sibling Chihuahuas will allow the young reader to gain an appreciation of the world and its cultural diversity.

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Activities:

- 1. **Comprehension:** Use the attached sheet to answer questions about the story.
- 2. **Vocabulary:** Use the attached sheet to match Russian phrases with the correct definition.
- 3. **Drawing:** Have your students draw three things they might have seen in Saint Petersburg.
- 4. **Crossword Puzzle:** Use the attached crossword puzzle and fill in the blanks.
- 5. **Compare and Contrast:** Have students use the attached Venn Diagram to compare and contrast Saint Petersburg with a city in the United States. If you have read more than one adventure, you may want to compare and contrast those two cities as well.
- 6. Writing Assignment: Have your students use the attached sheet to express what they have learned.

Extensions:

- Choose a landmark in Saint Petersburg (or Russia) and research more about it.
- Use books and the internet to research Saint Petersburg, Russia or Europe.
- Have students think of other places they would like to learn more about.
- Create a newspaper article about Saint Petersburg.
- Look up and research other cities that begin with the letter "S" or countries that begin with "R".
- Have a cultural day and try a variety of Russian food.
- Have students create a journal pretending they are visiting Saint Petersburg and have them document what they see and do.
- Look up and research different breeds of dogs.

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Facts about Saint Petersburg

Directions: Think back about the story and then answer the following questions.

| 1. | Where is Saint Petersburg located? |
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| 2. | When was the Grand Palace built? What would you see if you visited the Grand Palace? |
| 3. | Who was Peter the Great? |
| 4. | What is a 'Tsar'? |
| 5. | Bella and Harry see a body of water called the Gulf of Finland. Where is Finland located and where does the gulf lead to? |
| 6. | What is the name of the popular museum that Bella and Harry visit in Saint Petersburg? How many buildings make up the main complex? |
| 7. | Describe the Winter Palace (give at least 3 facts). |
| 8. | Who are Rembrandt and Matisse? |
| 9. | What are some foods you might eat while in Saint Petersburg? |
| 10. | What was something that you learned about Saint Petersburg that you found interesting? |

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Russian Vocabulary Matching

Directions: Match the Russian words and phrases to their meaning.

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| 2 | Privet | B) Good -bye |
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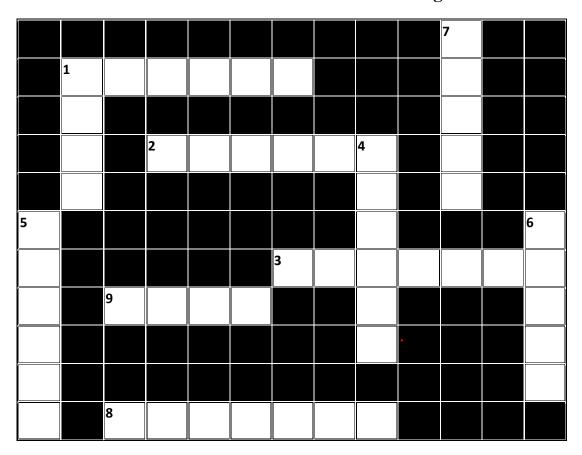
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| 3. At the Hermitage, Bella & Harry saw paintings by this painter |
| 8. Matryoshka dolls are also known as dolls |
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| Summarize the Story Directions: In your own words, summarize the story. Remember to include the important facts and information that you learned. | | |
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- 1. Where is Saint Petersburg located? Saint Petersburg is located in the country of Russia.
- 2. When was the Grand Palace built? What would you see if you visited the Grand Palace? The Grand Palace was built in the early 1700s. It is now a museum and has the Peterhof Palace complex, fountains, gardens and parks.
- 3. Who was Peter the Great? A leader (Tsar) who made many changes in Russia when he ruled the country.
- 4. What is a 'Tsar'? A "Tsar" is a male ruler (or emperor), usually from Russia.
- 5. Bella and Harry see a body of water called the Gulf of Finland. Where is Finland located and where does the gulf lead to? Finland is just north of Russia and the gulf leads to the Baltic Sea.
- 6. What is the name of the popular museum that Bella and Harry visit in Saint Petersburg? How many buildings make up the main complex? They visited the State Hermitage Museum and it is made up of six main buildings.
- 7. Describe the Winter Palace (give at least 3 facts). 1) It is green and white,; 2) it is 3 stories high; 3) it has 1,786 doors; 4) it has 1,945 windows; 5) it has more than 1,000 rooms and halls; 6) it used to be the home of the tsars of Russia; 7) it was built using the Baroque style of architecture; 8) it has a huge staircase called the 'Principal' or 'Jordan' Staircase.
- 8. Who are Rembrandt and Matisse? Famous painters.
- 9. What are some foods you might eat while in Saint Petersburg?. Potato salad, soup made with beets with sour cream on top (borscht) and a fried chicken cutlet filled with flavored butter (Chicken Kiev).
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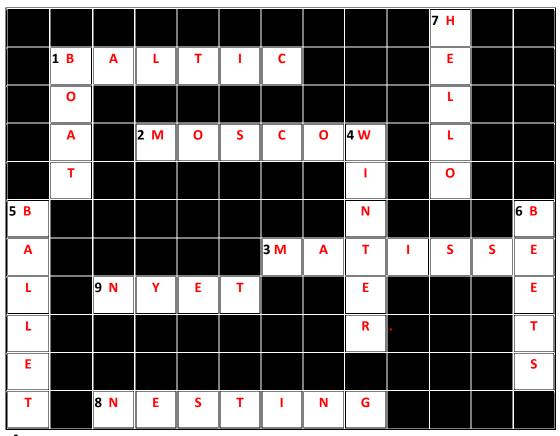
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Pretend you are in Saint Petersburg. Draw and label three things you might see/ do if you were there. Answers will vary.

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