

10. VILNIUS – THE CAPITAL OF LITHUANIA

TASK 1. Match the pictures with the names of the places.



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The Cathedral and Bell Tower

Gediminas' Castle / Tower

Vilnius University

St Anne's Church

The Coat of Arms / St. Christopher

Vilnius TV Tower

The River Neris

The Gates of Dawn

The District of Užupis

TASK 2. Do the quiz on Vilnius.

1. What is the population of Vilnius?
2. In which century / when was Vilnius founded?
3. Who is considered to be the founder of Vilnius?
4. What is the name of the river from which Vilnius takes its name?
5. What is the name of the main square of Vilnius?
6. How many churches are there in Vilnius?
7. What is the architectural style of St. Anne's church?
8. What is the architectural style of the Town Hall?
9. Which church is often called "a Baroque pearl"?
10. Which is the oldest church in Vilnius?
11. Vilnius University is one of the oldest universities in Europe. When was it founded?
12. Which is older – Vilnius University or Vilnius University Library?
13. What is the name of the Patron Saint of Vilnius?
14. When was the Old Town of Vilnius included in the UNESCO World Heritage List?
15. In which year was Vilnius the European capital of culture?
16. What is the height of Vilnius TV tower?
17. In which month / when is the annual arts and crafts fair ('Kaziukas' fair') held in Vilnius?
18. How often is Vilnius Book Fair held?
19. What colour are public bicycles in Vilnius?
20. What is the name of the main pedestrian bridge across the Neris?
21. What street connects Cathedral Square and Parliament Square?

TASK 3. Match the phrases on the left with those on the right to make sentences.

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Gates of Dawn2. Gediminas' Tower is3. Vilnius is situated4. Vilnius University5. Vilnius TV Tower6. St. Anne's church7. Cathedral Square8. The name "Užupis"9. Saint Christopher	<ol style="list-style-type: none">A. ... is depicted on 50 Litas banknotes.B. ... on the confluence of the Vilnia and the Neris.C. ... used to be part of the Medieval city wall.D. ... is the Patron Saint of Vilnius.E. ... a state symbol of Vilnius and Lithuania.F. ... was founded in the 16th century.G. ... was built using 33 different kinds of clay bricks.H. ... means "beyond the river".I. ... has a rotating observation platform and a cafe.
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TASK 4. Put the words in the right order to make sentences.

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. of / the / is / city / capital / Vilnius / Lithuania2. in / was / the / of / mentioned / first / name / Vilnius / 13233. a / be / to / used / place / market / Town Hall Square4. in / is / the / Street / street / Vilnius / Castle (Pilies) / oldest5. the / the / of / in / had / nine / wall / gates / defensive / Vilnius / Ages, / Middle6. and / has / areas / parks / green / many / Vilnius7. an / is / of / modern / The / example / architecture / Gallery / Art / National8. a / of / has / the / book / copy / oldest / Library / Vilnius University / Lithuanian9. is / year / held / every / Vilnius / Fair / Art

ANSWERS

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TASK 1.

1. The Gates of Dawn
2. Gediminas' Castle / Tower
3. The River Neris
4. Vilnius University
5. Vilnius TV Tower
6. St Anne's Church
7. The Cathedral and the Bell Tower
8. The District of Užupis
9. The Coat of Arms / St. Christopher

TASK 2.

1. over half a million
2. in the 14th century / 1323
3. Grand Duke Gediminas
4. the River Vilnia
5. Cathedral Square
6. about 40 churches
7. Gothic
8. Neo-Classical
9. St. Peter and St. Paul's Church
10. St. Nicholas / St. Mikalojus Church
11. in the 16th century / 1579
12. VU Library is older (founded in 1570)
13. St. Christopher
14. in 1994
15. in 2009
16. 326.5 metres
17. in March
18. every year / annually
19. orange
20. the White Bridge
21. Gediminas Avenue

TASK 3.

1. The Gates of Dawn used to be part of the Medieval city wall.
2. Gediminas Tower is a state symbol of Vilnius and Lithuania.
3. Vilnius is situated on the confluence of the Vilnia and the Neris.
4. Vilnius University was founded in the 16th century.
5. Vilnius TV tower has a rotating observation platform and a cafe.
6. St Anne's church was built using 33 different kinds of clay bricks.
7. Cathedral Square is depicted on 50 Litas banknotes.
8. The name "Užupis" means "beyond the river".
9. Saint Christopher is the Patron Saint of Vilnius.

TASK 4.

1. Vilnius is the capital city of Lithuania.
2. The name of Vilnius was first mentioned in 1323.
3. Town Hall Square used to be a market place.
4. Castle street is the oldest street in Vilnius.
5. In the Middle Ages, the defensive wall around Vilnius had nine gates.
6. Vilnius has many parks and green areas.
7. The National Art Gallery is an example of modern architecture.
8. Vilnius University Library has a copy of the oldest Lithuanian book.
9. Vilnius Art Fair is held every year.