



## WHERE ARE WE GOING?

READ THESE CLUES TO YOUR KIDS AND LET THEM GUESS THE COUNTRY.



### KIDS & CULTURE >>

Kids here may not smile at you. Don't worry; they're not being rude. A smile is a more intimate response not given to strangers. You have to be friends first!



### WHAT'S FOR DINNER? >>

A bowl of borscht. Every chef has a version of this popular beet soup. Loaded with vegetables, beef and topped with sour cream, borscht is their most famous dish.



### TRAVEL TIP >>

Enjoy the trains! This country has one of the world's largest rail systems. Millions ride the subways. This country has the longest single railway on the planet.



### BRING THIS >>

A calculator. Prices here look really expensive, until you do the math. A soup-and-sandwich lunch with a price tag of 540 rubles is only about \$8.



### LOOK FOR THIS >>

Find the bright colors and onion-shaped domes of Saint Basil's Cathedral. Now a museum, this structure is sometimes confused with the Kremlin, the president's home.



## DESTINATION > RUSSIA

POPULATION / 142 MILLION CAPITAL / MOSCOW

## CHECK IN > DAY ONE

### CULTURE MOMENT >

Russia is huge. As the world's largest country in terms of land area, Russia is 1.7 times larger than Canada. Russia has 11 time zones, more than any other country. So while some people in Russia are eating breakfast, others are getting ready for dinner!

### ACTIVITY >

Pretend you are in a Russian time zone today by having dinner foods for breakfast (and vice versa) or wearing your pajamas during the daytime. No matter what time zone we are in, God knows when we lie down and when we get up (**Psalm 139:1-3**).

## LAYOVER > DAY TWO

### PLAY >

Russian children have long played games that involve throwing sticks and balls. Gorodki (literally "little cities") is a lawn game in which players take turns throwing batons at each other's "little cities"—built from different arrangements of wood pins. The winner is the one who knocks apart all of his opponent's cities with the fewest throws. Play a simple version of this game using soup or soda cans to build the cities and throwing balls, sticks or bean bags. Stand about 20 feet apart on flat ground or even pavement. (Thick grass hurts low throws.)

### PRAY >

There are many beautiful and ornate churches in Russia. Some house vibrant communities of faith, while many others are empty or serve as museums. Pray that the Russian people will be attracted to the love of Jesus.



**REMEMBER  
TO ADD YOUR  
STAMP TO YOUR  
PASSPORT!**