

**Ведущий:**

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to our Club of the Merry and Quick witted. Today we shall travel from the USA to Great Britain, from Washington to London. I promise our trip will be merry and interesting. You will learn about sightseeing in the American and British capitals. You have a good opportunity today to see the festivities and, of course, you may take part in them. You must know the rules. They are very easy. You may sing and dance together with our participants and you must support them by clapping. And now let me invite our teams. Под музыку выходят 4 команды. (Merry Girls, School Stars, Good Friends, Albion.) и занимают свои места.

**Ведущий:** Let me introduce our judges. (Представляет членов жюри.) We ask you, judges, not to be too critical and forgive our participants the mistakes they may make.

**Ведущий:** You will listen to the text about sightseeing in Washington and London. When you have guessed what it is, raise your signal card. Try to be prompt and correct. Good luck.

1. This is the beautiful home of every President, except the first president. It is the oldest public building in Washington, D.C.,

And it has the most famous address in the United States-1600

Pennsylvania Avenue. It consists of 132 rooms. (The White House)

2. It is the tallest building in Washington, D.C., and the most famous building in the United States, because this is where laws are made. It is surrounded by a beautiful garden with many trees and flowers. (The Capitol)

3. It is a monument. It is 555 feet tall and provides a panoramic View of Washington, D.C. Located south of the White House.

(The Washington Monument)

4. When the mistress of this building is at home, the Royal Standard is flying. Every day at 11.30a.m. they are changing the Guard. It is the London home of the Queen. It is called... (Buckingham Palace).

5. On the column in the centre there is a statue of the great English seaman who defeated the French in 1805. This column with the statue of Admiral Nelson on its top is located in... (Trafalgar Square)

6. Here there are the tombs of many British kings and queens, other famous people and the beautiful Henry VII Chapel. It is a royal church. It is... (Westminster Abbey).

7 It is the most famous of all historical buildings in London. There are a lot of interesting collections here. It was a fortress, a royal Palace and later a prison. It is a museum now. The ravens are another famous sight of... (the Tower of London)

**Ведущий:** The second part of this competition is as follows: one participant from each team goes on to the stage. Now, you are American presidents. But which presidents exactly you will guess. Only after listening to some biographical facts about each.

1. He was the first person to be elected the President of the United States. He was born in Virginia, just south of Washington, D.C. He grew up on a large farm. He went to school for about 8 years. He especially liked to study mathematics. He led the American army in many battles during the War of Independence. (George Washington)

2. He was the third President of the United States. The Declaration

Of Independence was written by him. Inside his memorial there is A 19-foot statue standing on a 6- foot pedestal. His writings are inscribed on the walls of the Memorial. (Thomas Jefferson)

3. This President taught himself how to read and write. He became The 16th President of the USA in 1861. He wrote the Emancipation

Proclamation, which freed the blacks in the South from slavery. You can also find his Memorial with a huge statue of the former President inside. (Abraham Lincoln)

4. He was the youngest President the USA has ever had , but he was President for only 2 years and 10 months. He was assassinated in 1963. His aims were equal rights for all Americans – white or black – and peace in the world. He was the founder of the Peace Corps, which sends young men and women to poor countries to work and help for very little pay.(John Kennedy)

**Ведущий:** Now it`s time for the judges to say some words about these two competitions.

**Ведущий:** The next stage of our competition is a grammar point. Every team gets a card with a text. You must put in the verb in the correct form.

Passive Voice. I ... born in the small Siberian town of Tara. Tara ... founded in 1594 by Andrey Eletsy. Many beautiful churches... built in the last centuries. Some old houses ... safeguarded and renovated now. The only remaining church... visited by many people nowadays. If I... asked about Tara, I answer that I like my Native town and I am sure that it... improved in future. (was, was, were, are, is, am, will be.)

**Ведущий:** A good captain is the flag of the team. Competition of captains. The captain raises the signal card if he knows the Russian equivalent of an English proverb.

Better late than never.(Лучше поздно, чем никогда.)

You know a man by his friend.( Скажи мне, кто твой друг,

И я скажу, кто ты.)

It is never too late to learn. (Век живи, век учись.)

He laughs best who laughs last. (Смеется тот, кто смеется последним.)

East or West home is best.(В гостях хорошо, а дома лучше.)

A friend in need is a friend indeed. (Друг познается в беде.)

All is well that ends well. (Все хорошо, что хорошо кончается.)

**Ведущий:**Our program is over and while our judges are summing up you are welcome to dance.