Lesson 6. Legends of the two lands

1a. 🍑 🕯 Listen to part 1 of the legend about the Giant's Causeway and answer the question: Which theories [10] about the Giant's Causeway do you believe?

a) man-made; b) natural formation; c) volcanic activity.





1b. 📦 🕯 Listen to part 2 and put the sentences in the right order.

Model. 1 - C.

- A. The hunters who settled in the area after the last ice age 10,000 years ago created a lot of legends about it.
- B. Finn McCool built a causeway across the sea for Benandonner to come and see who was stronger.
- C. The Giant's Causeway was discovered by the Bishop of Londonderry (Епископ Лондондеррийский).
- D. The legend says that there were two giants who challenged (бросили вызов) each other.
 - E. A debate on how it was formed started in 1694.
- F. A Frenchman explained it was the result of volcanic activity.
- G. Benandonner thought that Finn was a very big giant and quickly left for Scotland, ruining the causeway behind him.
 - H. Finn was so tired that he fell asleep.
- I. When Benandonner came for a fight, Finn's wife Oonagh covered the sleeping Finn with a dress and a hat and said that it was their baby.

1c. 📦 🕯 Listen again to parts 1 and 2 and choose the correct answer.

- 1. The Giant's Causeway is located in ...
 - a) Northern Ireland. b) Ireland.
 - c) the north-western part of Ireland.

- 2. The Bishop of Londonderry discovered the causeway in ...
 - a) 1792.
 - b) 1692.
- c) 1694.
- 3. The columns that make up the causeway were formed ...
 - a) about 60 million years ago.
 - b) about 16 million years ago.
 - c) after the last ice age (10,000 years ago).
- 4. The causeway was first seen by ...
 - a) the Bishop of Londonderry. b) Finn McCool.
 - c) hunters and gatherers.
- 5. The causeway was built by ...
 - a) a giant called Benandonner.
 - b) a giant called Finn McCool.
 - c) Finn's wife Oonagh.
- 6. The two giants never fought because ...
 - a) Oonagh panicked.
- b) Finn panicked.
- c) Benandonner panicked.
- 2. Express your opinion about the characters of the legend. What does the legend symbolise?
- 3a. There is a legend about Lake Naroch in Belarus. Look at the key words and make up the legend.

There lived a girl, was named Nara, could sing and play the goozly, was sitting near a lake, a duke (князь), saw her, liked her, took her to the palace, wanted to marry her (жениться на ней), loved a young man, was unhappy, killed her groom (жених), set fire to the palace, ran away, sent his servants (послал своих слуг), jumped into the lake and died.

- 3b. Tell your legend to each other. Work in pairs or in groups.
- 3c. 📦 🕯 Listen to the legend and compare it with yours. Do you like the legend?
- 4. Write down the legend about Lake Naroch or another legend about Belarus.
- 5. Speak about the legendary place as if you were a tourist guide. Speak about its location, natural beauty and legend.