

From Constantinople to Kenai

What do Constantinople and Kenai have in common?

To answer this question you will have to embark on a journey into Russia's past and meet Rurik, Princess Olga, the two Greeks who developed the Russian alphabet, and Prince Vladimir.

Bon Voyage!

- 1) What is the capital of modern-day Russia?
- 2) What is the second largest city and former capital of Russia?
- 3) What is Russia's oldest city?
- 4) Who was the founder of the first Russian dynasty of rulers?
- 5) Why did Oleg choose Kiev as the center of the first Russian state?
- 6) What do historians call the first Russian state and why?
- 7) Who was the first Rus dignitary to convert to Christianity?
- 8) What is the name of the alphabet used today in Russia, Ukraine, Serbia, and Bulgaria?
- 9) Who made Orthodox Christianity the religion of the Rus?
- 10) Now that you have watched the PowerPoint, what is the connection between Constantinople and Kenai?
- 11) Why do you think the name "Constantinople" is printed the way it is at the top of this paper?