



Bulgaria is a country in southeastern Europe



Now, you are in Kardjali city





Bulgaria was founded circa 681 when Bulgar tribes led by Asparukh moved to the north-eastern Balkans.



864 yr. Bulgaria converted to Christianity



In 855 AD or 862 AD St. Cyril and St. Methodius invented the first Slavic alphabet, the Glagolitic.



In the original version of the Cyrillic alphabet, composed by St. Kliment Ohridski, there are 44 letters for the 44 sounds

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The two alphabets - Cyrillic and Glagolitic - exist in parallel and are used until the 10th-11th century

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Interesting facts about Cyrillic Alphabet

1. CYRILLIC IS YOUNGER THAN MOST OTHER ALPHABETS USED AROUND THE WORLD

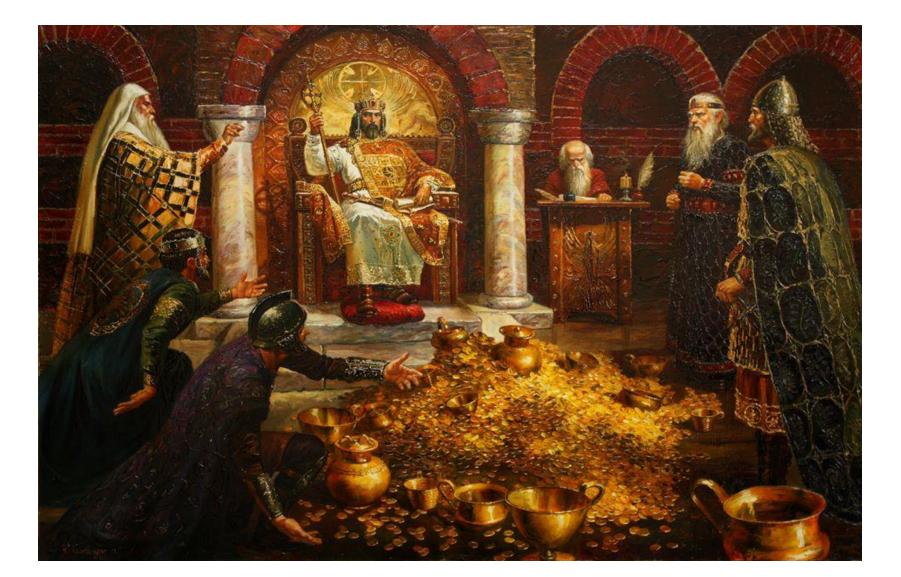
2. CYRILLIC IS USED BY 12 COUNTRIES AS OFFICIAL ALPHABET **3.** THE GLAGOLITIC AND THEREFORE CYRILLIC BORROW A SYSTEM OF THE ALPHABET FROM THE EGYPTIAN HIEROGLYPHS AND THE GREEK ALPHABET.

4. CYRILLIC IS ALSO USED AS A SCRIPT IN NON-SLAVIC LANGUAGES SUCH AS KAZAKHSTAN, MONGOLIAN, OSSETIAN, TATAR, TAJIK, AND SOME PARTS OF ALASKA.

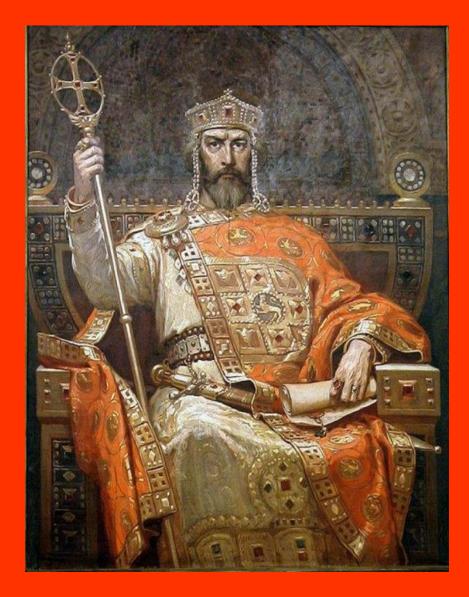
Modern Cyrillic Alphabet contains 30 letters



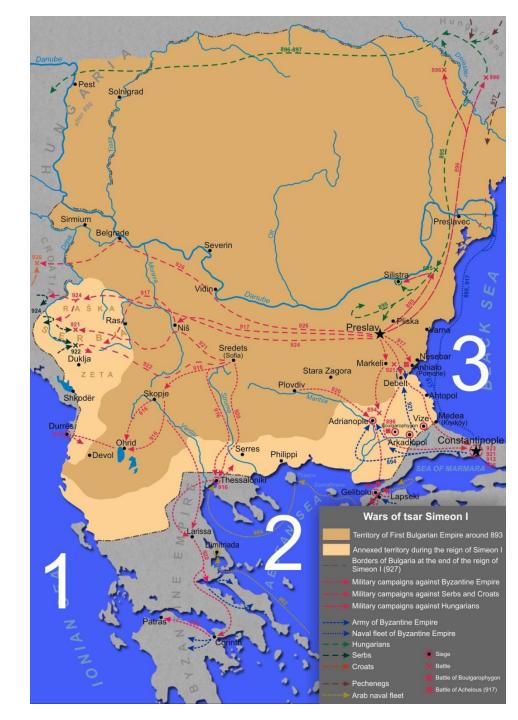
The Golden Age is the next stage in the history of Bulgaria



The cultural growth of the country was related to the son of Boris Simeon. In its face, Bulgaria has acquired not only a great warlord and a brilliant diplomat, but also a prominent cultural patron.



During its rule the borders of **Bulgaria reach** three seas -Adriatic, White, and Black



After decades of wars with the Byzantine Empire, in 1018 yr. Bulgaria was enslaved by Byzantium. 100 years later the Second Bulgarian state was founded by the brothers Asen and Peter.





Under Ivan Asen II authority, Bulgaria achieved its largest territorial expansion during the Second Bulgarian State and again its borders are on 3 seas.



In 1393 yr., Bulgaria fell under Ottoman rule for 500 years

Until their liberation, **Bulgarians have** been subjected to religious, political, economic and legal discrimination





In these dark times, few are the patriots who dare to lead the Bulgarians to freedom. Their names will always be remembered.

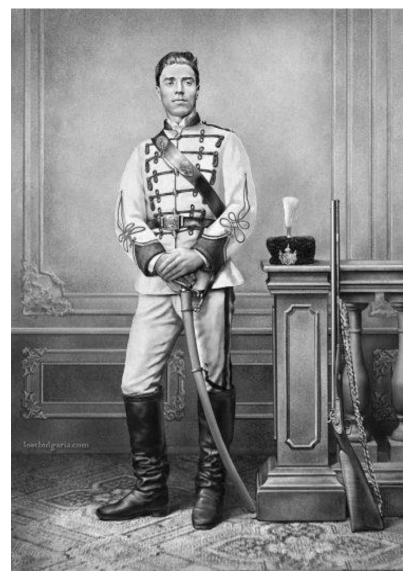
One of them is Vasil Levski. Our school bears his name.



Vasil Levski was born in 1837 yr. in Karlovo

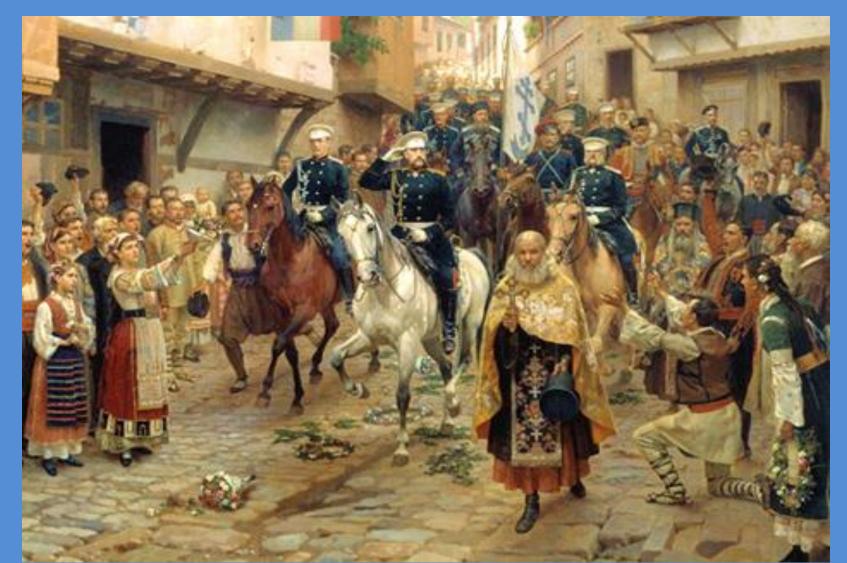


Vasil Levski is a genius leader and revolutionary, strategist and organizer of the **Bulgarian national** liberation movement in the 60s and 70s of the 19th century. Infuriated by the Ottoman authorities in 1873 yr.



1837 - 1873

On 3 March 1878 yr. Bulgaria won its freedom



Here is some useful Bulgarian words for you ③

freedom → svoboda → свобода mom → mama → мама thank you → blagodaria → благодаря friend → priatel → приятел

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