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**Welcome to our native village!**  Моё Таврово! Дивный край!

На карте мал, но так прекрасен!

Здесь побывать, но просто рай!

Здесь небосвод и чист и ясен…

Country mornings are

flowers and sky,

With feather clouds

floating by.

Country mornings are

song and sun,

And happy birds

having fun.

When you get up

just look around

And see the things

that can be found

No matter where you

live or stay,

Be happy for a bright new day!

If you start from Belgorod the bus 117’u’ will bring you to Tavrovo. It is one of the old village in the south of the Belgorod region. Everything is simple and quiet here. But we love our village. We love it because it’s our birthplace, because our parents and friends live here.

The first mention of Tavrovo can be found in the Russian chronicles dated back to the 17th century. If we turn back to the history it would be interesting to know that the village arose at the end of the 18th century as a village “Sloboda” and in the 1882 it was a settlement of 307 people and 67 houses.

There are several versions of the origin of the word “Tavrovo”. According to the legend, a rich man was travelling. Going past our village he saw a green countryside and a beautiful landscape and exclaimed: “Vrovo”(Beautifully! Or Beauty!) Gradually the letters “Ta” (ta-there) was added and our village got the name “Tavrovo”( Там красиво!)

In 1696 after the war between Russia nd Turkey the government presented the villages to the heroes of this war. One of them was Nikolai Govorukho-Otrok. He bought 7 families in Tavrija ( the Nikolaev region) and decided to found a village, To this fact the word “tavrovo”came from’ Tavrija’.In the centre of his country –set (усадьба) he built a two-stored house with a yard and a park. It was called “Pansky Yard”(Панский двор).The Govorukho-Otroks had owned Tavrovo up to 1917.Nowadays there are people’s flats, a post office and a library in this house.

Nikolai Govorukho-Otrok’s grandson Juri NIkolaevich was famous as atalented writer and outstanding literary critic and a theatre scientist. He was born in Tavrovo in 1854. He was not known as a write in our country for a long time. Unfortunately we don’t know many details about his life. But thanks the professor Soya Tomofeevna Prokopenko now his name is known in memory of himself. We are proud and look up to him.

If you want to see the places of interest in our village, you can walk to the centre of it. In the centre there is a monument to honour the people who died in war time that we might live.

Everybody remembers that this is a very place where our defenders were burred. It was during the Great patriotic War in 1943. Ou village was occupied by German fascist and on the 7th of august 1943 the Soviet sioldiers got free our village. We celebrate the day of a village on the 12th of September. There is the Eternal Flame at the monument. There are a lot of flowers at their feet. In our school museum there are names of our heroes. And we try to find out some information about them.

On the right of the monument there is a House of Culture. Cultural life is rich enough for the village. The theatre “Okno” is very famous not only in the Belgorod region but in Russia.

The history of our school began in 1899, when the first building of the primary school was opened. This school was named after Jarkov Nikolaevigh Govorukho-Otrok. Jakov was involved in politics and served his country best as a chair man of Zemstvo in the Kursk region.

In September, 1984, a new building of the school was opened. It has two floors. There are a lot of different classrooms, a gymnasium, a dining room here. More than 300 pupil study in our school and about 20 teachers work there. We like our school very much. There is a school museum is one of the best school museums in the Belgorodsky district.

To the left of our school there is a kindergarten. The new building was built in 1981.

There is a small factory in our village. The history of it began in 1930. And in our school museum you can see some exhibits connected with it.

Now Tavrovo is a modern and a nice village. The streets of our village are not long but there are lots of modern and old buildins, a hospital and shops.

In Tavrovo there is a park and achildren’s yard. In their free time and on holidays the people like to walk in the park with their children.

But what is really beautiful in our landscapes. Different trees and flowers are growing in our area. It is pleasant to walk in our forest and enjoy fresh air. We admire our nature and advice everybody to visit our village.