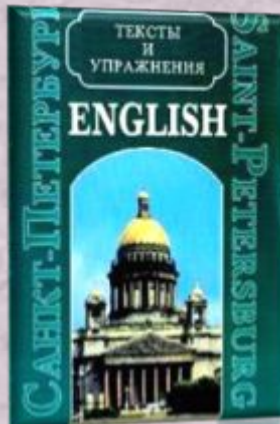


The Hermitage



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- The State Hermitage Museum (St. Petersburg, Russia) has the best collection in the world.
- There can be counted near 3 million of artworks and monuments in the world culture.
- It includes – paintings, sculptures, graphic arts, archeological finds and many other interesting materials.



It contains the Winter Palace, which was the residence of Russian emperors, buildings of Small, Old and New Hermitage and the Hermitage Theatre.

The Winter Palace







The Small Hermitage was erected in 1767-1769 after the design of the architect Vallin de la Mothe.

The Old Hermitage



The building of the Old Hermitage was built in 1775- 1784 by Yuri Felten.



The Hermitage Theatre



The Hermitage Theatre was designed by Giacomo Quarenghi and completed in 1787. The architect built its auditorium in the form of an amphitheatre.

There are no boxes, circles, or stalls, and the seats for the audience descend to the stage in wide tiers. The Hermitage Theatre was the private theatre of Catherine the Great and her descendants.



Today this is the lecture hall of the Hermitage.



The New Hermitage





The New Hermitage was erected in 1839-1852 after the design of Leo von Klenze by the architects Vasily Stasov and Nicolai Yefimov.



The main entrance of the New Hermitage is decorated with ten huge statues of atlantes. They were made from the model of the sculptor Alexander Terelenev.



At present the Hermitage collections include not only pictures, drawings, engravings, sculptures, but items of decorative and applied art as well.



Oriental Culture.

Antique Culture.





The Room Of Ancient Sculpture





The Room Of Coins And Medals

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