



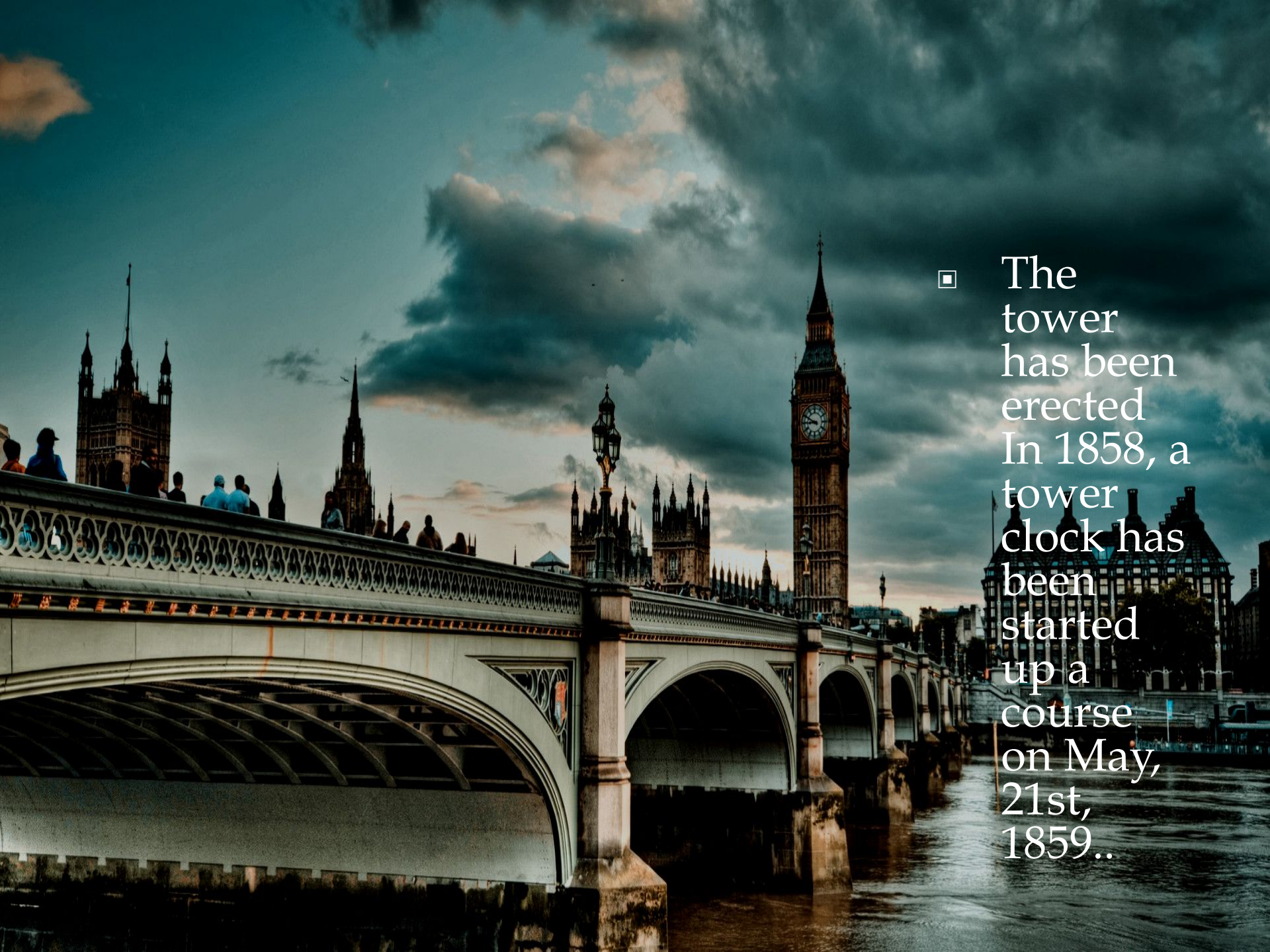
BIG BEN

- Big Ben – a bell tower in London, a part of an architectural complex of the Westminster palace.
- The official name – “The Hour tower of the Westminster palace”, also it name “The Tower of St. Stefana”.





- Big Ben is one of London's best-known landmarks, and looks most spectacular at night when the clock faces are illuminated. You even know when parliament is in session, because a light shines above the clock face.







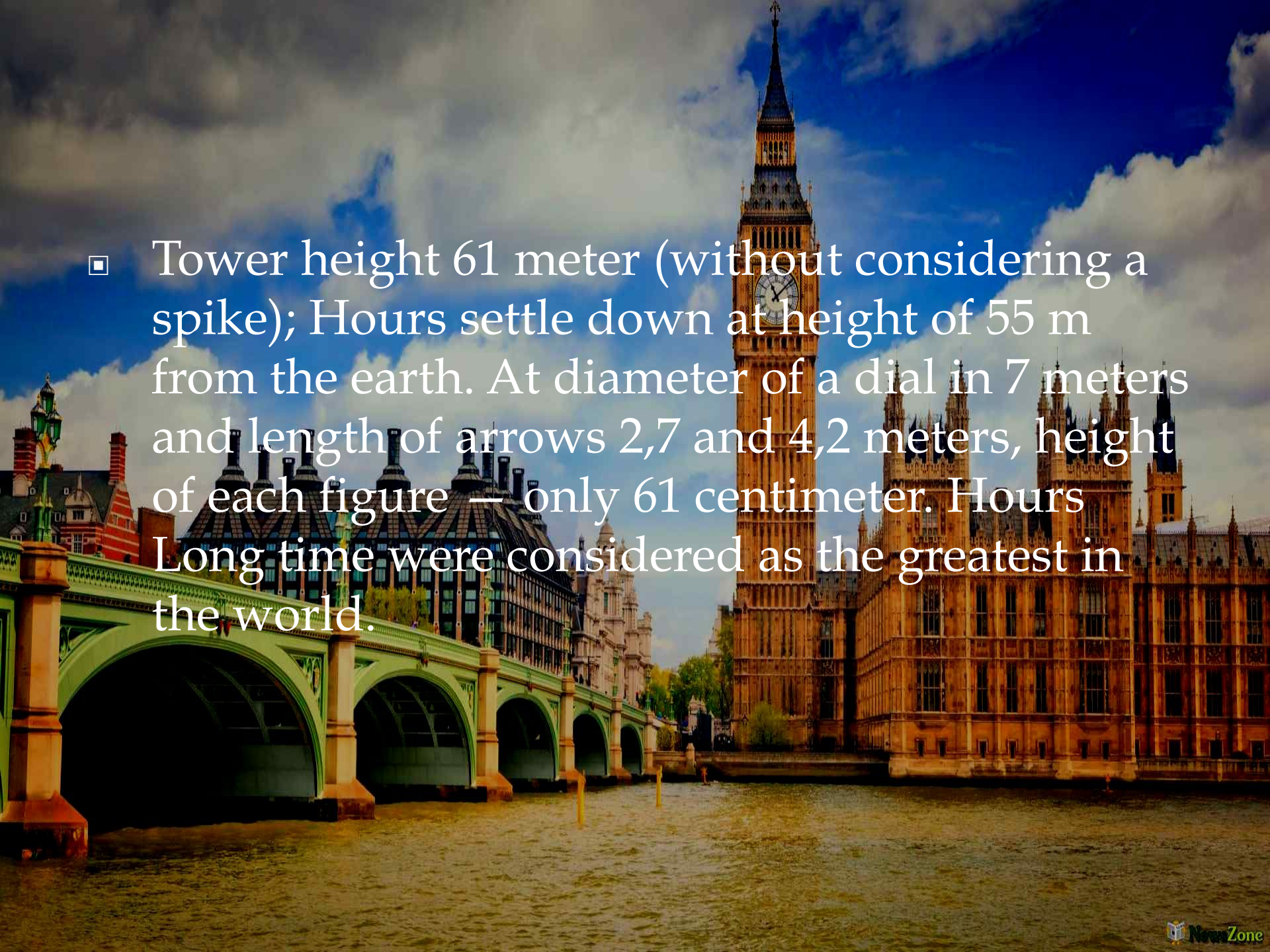
- ▣ The tower has been erected In 1858, a tower clock has been started up a course on May, 21st, 1859..

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- ▣ The name “Big Ben” actually refers not to the clock-tower itself, but to the thirteen ton bell hung within. The bell was named after the first commissioner of works, Sir Benjamin Hall.

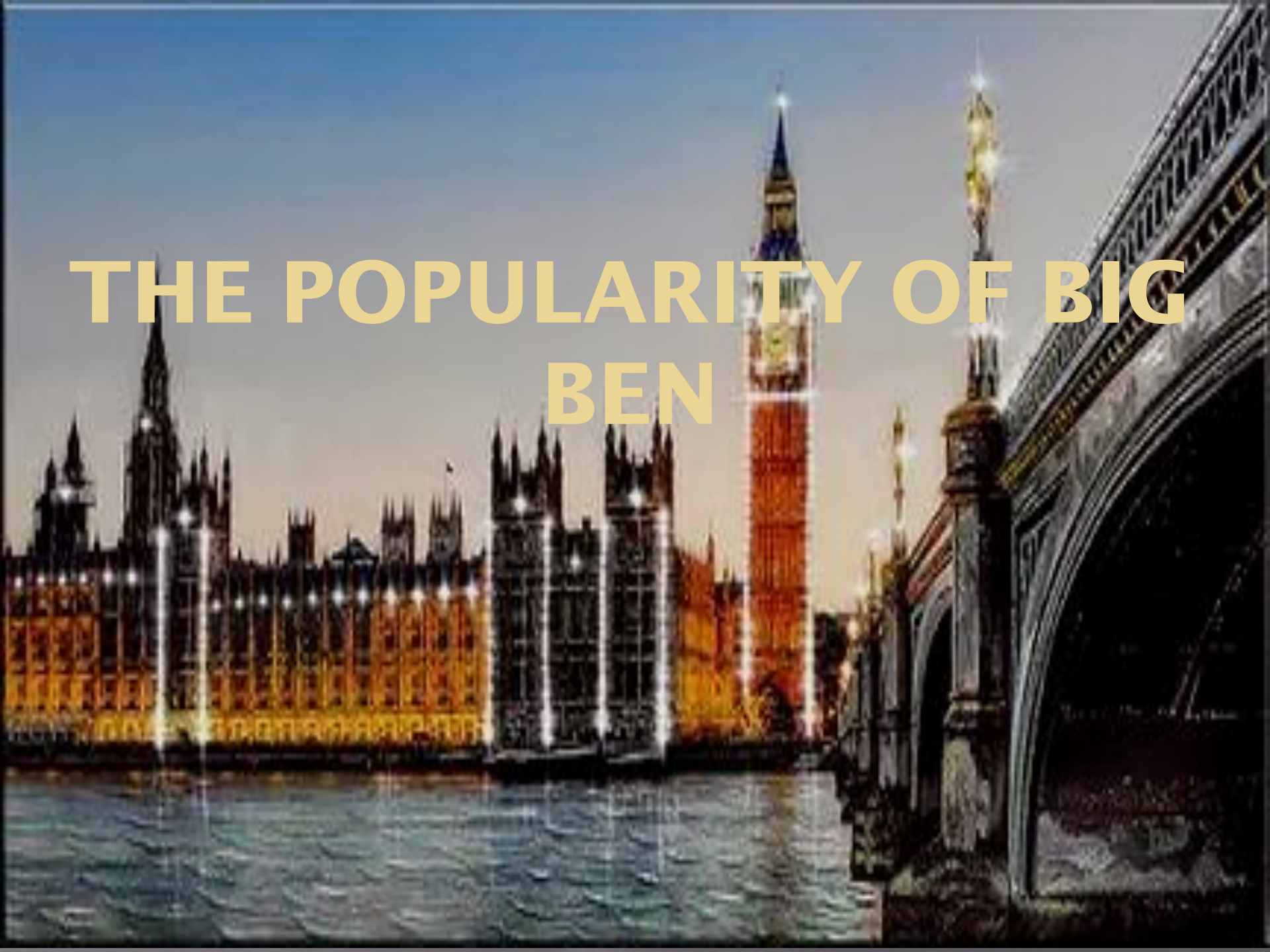
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- Big Ben - a symbol of time. The period of the greatest dawn of the country. And an inscription in Latin: «My God store queen Victoria» - a tribute of personal respect to the monarch at which there was such concept as British Empire.

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- A photograph of Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament in London at sunset. The sky is a mix of purple, pink, and orange. The clock tower is illuminated from below, and the Houses of Parliament are visible to the left. A bridge with arches is in the foreground on the right.
- Big Ben's dials look at all 4 parts of the world. They from Birmingham are made has fallen down, hour hands are cast from pig-iron, and minute are made of copper sheet. It is counted up that the minute Arrows pass the general distance for a year in 190 km.

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- Big Ben and other small bells surrounding it beat out a ringing of following words:
«Through this hour the Lord stores me and force it won't allow to anybody to stumble».

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- Tower height 61 meter (without considering a spike); Hours settle down at height of 55 m from the earth. At diameter of a dial in 7 meters and length of arrows 2,7 and 4,2 meters, height of each figure — only 61 centimeter. Hours Long time were considered as the greatest in the world.

THE POPULARITY OF BIG BEN



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- Six-foot copy of "big Ben", made out of cans of Coca-Cola has been exhibited in a London Park in order to attract people's attention to the issue of recycling. Art installation created by sculptor Robert Bradford, was the opening Weeks of recycling. "Big Ben" – one of the four sculptures, which appeared in the UK in order to raise the question of the importance of proper waste disposal.