

# #11956 HUNGARY

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**TEACHER'S GUIDE**  
**Grades 6 to 10 & Up**

**Hungary**  
**Beyond Our Borders Series**

**Subject Areas:** Geography, Social Studies, History, Art, Architecture, Religion

**Synopsis:**

In a visit to Budapest, Hungary, recalls the history of the Hungarian people, the settlement of the country by Magyar warriors, and the conversion of Hungarian kings and their people to Roman Catholicism. Examines the rich cultural history of Hungary including the music of Bela Bartok and Franz Listz, the Hungarians' appreciation for spas and resorts, the influence of Roman rule and Muslim invasions, gypsy contributions, and the life of horsemen of the Central Plains. Concludes that Hungarians are an energetic, optimistic and resilient people.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Objective 1)** Students will be able to describe the influence of the Roman Catholic Church in Hungary.
- Objective 2)** Students will be able to trace the history of Hungary as a series of invasions that have occurred over a period of 2,000 years.
- Objective 3)** Students will be able to analyze the contributions of Polish kings, religious leaders, composers, artists and intellectuals.
- Objective 4)** Students will be able to discuss reason why agriculture and related industries predominate in the Hungary's large Central Plains region.

**Vocabulary:**

enticing, penetrating, refinement, fervor, royal regalia, distinct, patron, papal envoy, commissioned, canonized, militant, heathens, martyr, martyrdom, ravaged, equestrian, colonnade, pantheon, personages, encompassing, legacy, august structure, gilded, scepter, opulent, sumptuous, ubiquitous, culinary export, indispensable, ingeniously, bewildering, sedate, idyllic, equidistant, elite, aristocrats, omnipresent, exhilarating, religious relic, Italianate, transcendent, revered, haunting, verdant, idyllic, strategically vital, hotly contested, basilica, eons, arcade, nestled, cultural collisions, exquisite, mesmerizing, futuristic, assemblages, Romanesque, ecclesiastical, receptivity, puszta, austere beauty, infinitude, anecdotes, bravura, irrepressible, csikosresilience, sublime indefinable

**Pre-Viewing Questions and Activities:**

- 1) Where is Hungary located? What countries are located nearby?
- 2) When you think of Hungary, what images come to mind?

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- 3) What is the predominate religion in Hungary? Do Muslims live in Hungary?
- 4) Who are some of Hungary's most famous composers?
- 5) How old are Hungarian cities?

### **Post-Viewing Questions and Discussion:**

- 1) Who were the original settlers of Hungary? What other cultures invaded Hungary and influenced Hungarian culture?
- 2) Which area of Budapest would you prefer to visit: Buda, Pest or Margaret Island? Why?
- 3) If you could visit only one geographical area of Hungary, what would it be? Why?
- 4) Why were the villages north of Budapest considered to be outposts of civilization?
- 5) What is unique about the lifestyle on Hungary's Central Plain?
- 6) Why are Hungarian artists and intellectuals so widely respected? How did the country's elite society develop?

### **Additional Activities:**

- 1) Find further information about equestrian traditions that are uniquely Hungarian.
- 2) Discover what renown works by Italian Renaissance and Old World masters are housed in the Hungarian National Museum.
- 3) Provide a list of activities that are available today at the Gellert Hotel.
- 4) You are being given the opportunity to attend opera season in Budapest. What operas will be performed this season? Who will be the performers? What are their nationalities? What are the basic plots of the operas to be performed?
- 5) Investigate the brewing techniques of the master Hungarian winemakers.

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