



## YANKA'S GLOSSARY



**Babushka:** an old woman or grandmother

**Dedushka:** an old man or grandfather

**Domra:** a musical instrument with a round body, a long neck, and three or four metal strings

**Golubtsy:** rolls made by wrapping cooked cabbage leaves around a savoury filling

**Gusli:** a musical instrument with many strings played by plucking

**Kalyuka:** a type of flute with no playing holes, traditionally made from a hollow plant stem

**Knish:** a baked, grilled or fried pastry with a savoury filling

**Kvass:** a sour, tangy drink made by fermenting bread or grains

**Mamochka:** a term of endearment for a mother

**Piroshki:** baked or fried puff pastries with a sweet or savoury filling

**Pryaniki:** sweet breads or cookies flavoured with spices

**Rubakha:** a long tunic-style shirt, often decorated with embroidery

**Rusalki:** water-dwelling spirits from Slavic mythology

**Samovar:** a metal urn used to boil water for tea, traditionally with a fire in the middle and a tap on the bottom

**Sbiten:** a hot honey drink made with spices

**Stroganoff:** a dish made from meat or vegetables cooked in a sour cream sauce

**Sushki:** small, sweet, crunchy bread rings

**Tsar:** a male ruler, like a king or an emperor

**Tsarina:** a female ruler, like a queen or an empress

