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Fyodor Konyukhov is a Russian traveller. He has completed over 40 unique expeditions. He is the first and only person in the world, so far, to have reached the five extreme points on the earth: the North Pole, the South Pole, the Pole of Inaccessibility in the Arctic Ocean, the top of Mount Everest, and sailing around the world via Cape Horn. Fyodor Konyukhov was born in 1951 into an ordinary family. There were 5 children in the family: three boys and two girls. From his childhood, Fyodor was dreaming about travels to different parts of the world. When he was just 15 he went on his first expedition. Fyodor crossed the Azov Sea in a fisherman's boat. Later he studied and graduated from the Odessa Naval College and the Leningrad Polar College, becoming a professional navigator and marine engineer.

1. What is Fyodor Konyukhov?
2. What are the five points that only Fyodor Konyukhov has reached?
3. What was Fyodor Konyukhov's first expedition?

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The Moscow metro is very important as a means of transport in the Russian capital, in particular during rush hours. It has more metro visitors than the New York subway and London underground put together! The Moscow metro works efficiently and the trains run very frequently and very fast. The Moscow metro is one of the most beautiful subways in the world. 44 of the stations are listed as cultural heritage sites. The first plans for a metro system in Moscow date back to the times of the Russian Empire. One such project was actively discussed in 1902, but at that time the local government declined it in favor of trams. Indeed trams in those days were very popular and brought lots of money into the city's budget.

1. What cities have a less busy underground?
2. Why is the Moscow metro one of the most beautiful subways in the world?
3. Why wasn't the first plan for a metro system realized?