



The burial mound of the **AFANASIEVO CULTURE**, excavated by Novosibirsk archaeologists in the Altai Mountains, and the **BOLSHO KATANDA KURGAN**, a famous site of the **PAZYRYK CULTURE**, stand apart by a few hundred meters and more than 2000 years. **P. 06**

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