

The holidays in Great Britain and in Russia

The passport of the project

1. The name of the project	The holidays in Great Britain and in Russia
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7. The purpose of the project	To compare and analyze the similarities and differences in traditions of celebrating New Year and Christmas in GB and Russia
10 The tasks of the project	-to define the meaning of the word "holiday" -to tell about my favorite holidays -to make a survey
11 The Question of the Project	What is the difference between English and Russian traditions?
12 The Relevance of the project	Each country has its own famous dates. So if we want to understand the other nation we should know its culture and tradition.
13 The necessary equipment	Computer, software, screen
14 The products of the project	The presentation with illustrative material, text.

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THE AIM:

- To acquaint students with the most popular holidays in GB and Russia
- To compare and analyze the similarities and differences in traditions of celebrating New Year and Christmas in GB and Russia
- to find out the attitude of our teens to the culture of Great Britain

THE TASKS:

- to define the meaning of the word “holiday”
- to tell about my favorite holidays
- to make a conclusion

THE URGENCY

Sometimes, when we celebrate holidays we don't even think about the origin and I am sure that it is not right. Modern teenagers should know the culture and traditions of the country the language of which we are studying.

Nowadays, there are a lot of holidays and all of them have different meanings. Each country has its own famous dates. So if we want to understand the other nation we should know its culture and tradition.

3.

What is a holiday and what are the kinds of holiday.

Holidays have always existed in the culture of different countries. They create a festive atmosphere and bring people together. Holiday is a free time when people do not go to work, they have a rest and they can spend this time as they wish following holiday traditions. During the holiday the doors of the house are open to guests, it is a time for festive food, clothes and room decorations. People have a festive mood, they laugh, make jokes, dance and listen to music. It is the world's favorite pastime. Even in ancient times the celebration of any events, performed three functions: entertaining, moral and aesthetic. There was no period in the history when there were not holidays. At all times there were ritual dances, round dances.

The holidays can be official and unofficial. Modern holidays are divided into several categories: folk, religious, national, family, professional and others.



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Main holidays in Great Britain.

As you know, there are only 38 official holidays in Great Britain. The most important holiday in GB is Christmas. It is celebrated on the 25 of December . It is a family holiday, that is why, the whole family gather at the holiday table, which certainly has turkey. Everybody gives each other presents and congratulate with the words: " Marry Christmas!"

London in the Christmas holiday is fantastic. The Trafalgar Square is decorated with the largest and most beautiful Christmas Tree. There are a lot people are walking here, and a lot of tourists visit it every year.



New Year in GB is not as popular as Christmas.

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The next holiday I would like to tell you is Saint Valentine's day. It is celebrated **on the 14th of February**. It is the holiday of all beloved people, when they give presents to each other (flowers, toys, candies, balloons and special cards with poems and love words)

This holiday is celebrated in Russia, too.



The next holiday in GB is Halloween it is celebrated on the 31 of October. It is the only day of the year, when the spirits of the dead can return to earth. During this holiday people wear costumes, put pumpkin on the window and go from home to home and say: "Treat or Trick "

In Russia, this holiday is not as popular as in Britain. It is some kind of entertainment.



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Now, I would like to tell you about the holidays in Russia. As a know there are many of them: New year, Christmas, Easter, the 8th of March, Victory Day , the 23rd of February and others.



Some holidays are similar a GB and Russia: New year, Christmas, Easter. But the traditions of celebration are different. For example, New year in GB is not as popular as in Russia. But there are some holidays in Russia which are borrowed from GB for example Saint Valentine's day and Halloween.

NOW YOU CAN SEE THE TABLE OF COMPARISON OF HOLIDAYS IN GB AND RUSSIA

	GB	Russia
<p>1. NEW YEAR</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 31 OF DECEMBER. BUT IT IS LESS POPULAR. PEOPLE HAVE FAMILY DINNER, VISIT THEIR FRIENDS. THEY ALSO MAKE A LIST OF AIMS FOR THE NEXT YEAR.</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 31 OF DECEMBER. BUT IT IS THE MOST POPULAR HOLIDAY. THE MAIN CHARACTERS ARE DED MOROZ AND SNEGUROCHKA. PEOPLE DECORATE THEIR HOUSES, GIVE PRESENTS AND LISTEN THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.</p>
<p>2. CHRISTMAS</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 25 OF DECEMBER. IT IS THE MOST POPULAR HOLIDAY. THE TRADITIONAL DISH IS TURKEY AND PUDDING. SANTA CLAUS IS THE MAIN CHARACTER OF THIS HOLIDAY. THEY LISTEN THE QUEEN. HAVE FAMILY DINNER</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 7 OF JANUARY. IT LESS POPULAR THAN NEW YEAR. PEOPLE STAY AT HOME OR GO TO THE CHURCH.</p>

<p>3. ST. VALENTINE'S DAY</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 14 OF FEBRUARY. THE SYMBLE IS A CARD IN THE FORM HEART. It is the holiday of all beloved people, when they give presents to each other (flower, balloons and special cards, toys, candies, with poems and love words)</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 14 OF FEBRUARY. THIS HOLIDAY IS BORROWED FROM GB. IT HAS THE SAME TRADITIONS AS IN GB.</p>
<p>4. HALLOWEEN</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 31 OF OCTOBER. THE SYMBLE IS A PUMPKIN. IT IS MORE RELIGIOUS AND CONNECTED WITH SPIRITS. PEOPLE USUALY DRESS IN CARNIVAIL COSTUMES, GO FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE AND BEG FOR SWEETS AND SAY "TREAT OR TRICK" IT IS ONE OF THE MOCT POPULAR HOLIDAYS.</p>	<p>IT IS CELEBRATED ON THE 31 OF OCTOBER. IT IS NOT SO POPULARIN RUSSIA . IT IS CELEBRATED SIMPLY AS A REASON FOR FUN AND INTERESTING PASTIME WITH FRIENDS, BUT NOT AS A KIND OF RITE. RUSSIAN CHURCH IS EXTREMELY NEGATIVE ABOUT THIS CELEBRATION. USUALY IT IS CELEBRATED BY YOUNG PEOPLE IN CIUBS.</p>

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As for my family our favourite holiday is New Year. We celebrate it on the 31st of December. On the Eve of New Year we decorate a New Year Tree and cook tasty dishes. On holiday we give presents to each other and wish happy New Year.



So you see that the most popular holiday in Russia is New Year and the most popular holiday in GB is Christmas.

Conclusion

So you see, that holidays are very important in our life. They make our life brighter and more interesting. They give us chance to have a rest, to meet with our relatives, to make fun. Some holidays in Russia and GB are the same and have a lot in common, but of course there are holidays which are celebrated only in a definite country. And we should know their names and how they are celebrated.

Now I want to make a survey

1. What holidays in GB do you know?
2. What holidays in Russia do you know?
3. What is your favorite holiday?
4. What English holidays are celebrated in Russia?

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