

Открытый городской конкурс исследовательских
проектов учащихся 5-8 классов
Рождество в Великобритании и России

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The relevance and difficulty of the project

People celebrate it all over the world, but each country has its own traditions.

Religious traditions and Russian Christmas traditions were forgotten during the Soviet Union and now they restore.



In my project I would like to analyze these customs and learn more about its origin and features.

The main difficulty includes differences in celebrating Christmas in Great Britain and Russia

The aim of the project

to analyze the features of Christmas and define differences in celebrating Christmas in Great Britain and Russia.



The main objectives of this work:

- To study the history of Christmas;
- To analyze the features of Christmas;
- To compare the British and Russian Christmas traditions;
- To find out how my classmates are familiar with the festival Christmas.



- The subject of this study is Christmas.
- The object is Christmas traditions and customs in Great Britain and Russia.



Christmas in pagan times

Christmas is the biggest celebration in the world and the fourth most important Christian date.

Many popular customs that go along with Christmas developed with some elements having origins in pre-Christian festivals.

25 th December was a significant date for different early cultures.



Christmas in Christianity.

Early Christians, however, did not celebrate Christmas. It became the feast day in the fourth century. For Christians this date means the birth of Jesus Christ. Jesus is the son of Saint Joseph and Saint Mary. Two thousands years ago Joseph and Mary travelled to Bethlehem and that time Jesus was born there in a cave. His way of birth was supernatural.



The main British traditions on Christmas

- The custom of gifts giving
- Christmas cake
- traditional Christmas carols



Christmas customs and traditions. Its similarities and differences

Great Britain

- 25 th December
- Celebration date, A church service
- Service is held three times (at midnight, in the morning and afternoon)



Russia

- 7 th January.
- Service starts in the evening and lasts until morning

Christmas dishes

Great Britain

- Stuffed turkey or roast goose, pudding



Russia

- Goose with apple,
- Cold chicken with pickles, fruit and berries, pies



Christmas decorations

Great Britain

- People decorate houses, offices, shops, street lights and Christmas tree



Russia

- Christmas tree and other decorations that remain after the New Year



Traditional colour, gifts

Great Britain

- Red and green
- Sweets, fruit and small presents in stockings over the fireplace or under the tree

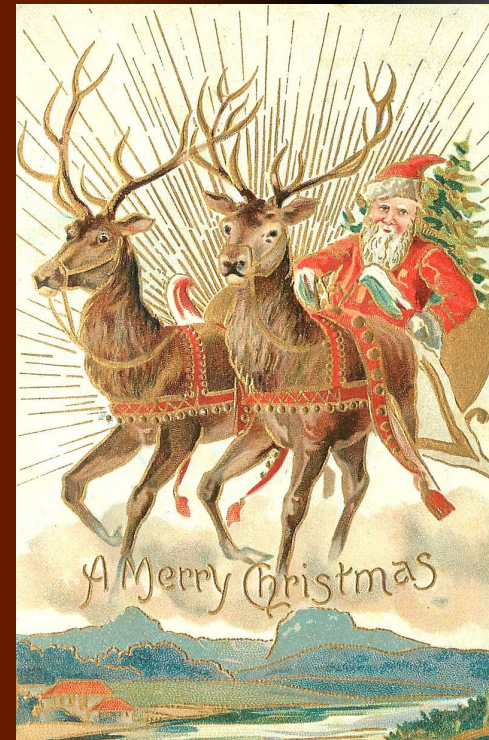
Russia

- none
- Gifts under the tree



Conclusion

- We have learned that Christmas traditions in the UK and in Russia differ a lot.
- Despite all these differences, we can draw a conclusion that Christmas is still very important celebration of children and adults both in Great Britain and Russia. These facts helped us to know the British culture better and made the process of English learning more interesting.
- Finally, we have tried to make a quiz about Christmas topic and got to know that most of my classmates (60 %) know Christmas features and traditions not very well.



Christmas quiz

- When is Christmas celebrated in Russia?
 - 8 th March;
 - 6 th December;
 - 7 th January;
- What is another name for Santa Claus?
 - White Beard;
 - Father Christmas;
 - Red Nose;
- What do people eat for a Christmas dessert in Great Britain?
 - sweets;
 - apples;
 - pudding;
- What two words will you find on Christmas cards or presents?
 - Merry Christmas
 - Happy Christmas
 - Holly Christmas
- What is traditional Christmas dessert in Russia?
 - sweets;
 - biscuits;
 - pies
- In whose honour is Christmas celebrated?
 - Birth of Jesus Christ;
 - St. Nicolas;
 - St. Valentine's;
- What do people do with letters for Santa Claus?
 - send by mail;
 - throw into a fireplace ;
 - give to a dove;
- How long do Christmastide last?
 - from Christmas to 19 th January;
 - from 8 th March to 9 th May;
 - from Christmas to 25 th January;
- Which are the two traditional colours on Christmas?
 - blue and green
 - red and green
 - red and whity
- In what town was Jesus born?
 - Nazareth
 - Rome
 - Bethlehem

Thank you for your attention!