

Christmas in England



Christmas

- Christmas is the famous festival in world. Christmas celebrates in the 25th of December.



Preparing for the holiday

- The English are preparing for this holiday for a few weeks, clean the flat, decorate home. The day before they cook festive meals.



Festival meals



Traditional Christmas meal

- Traditional Christmas meal in England is roast turkey and potato, mince pies, Christmas pudding and Christmas cake.



Plum-pudding

- Plum pudding is cook from bread crumbs with the addition of various spices, fruits, before serving, pour it with rum and ignite. And yet there is still the custom of hiding in the British Christmas pudding fine silver coins and jewelry - "for luck."



Plum-pudding



Christmas tree

- Christmas tree is decorated with tinsel and lights.



Christmas city



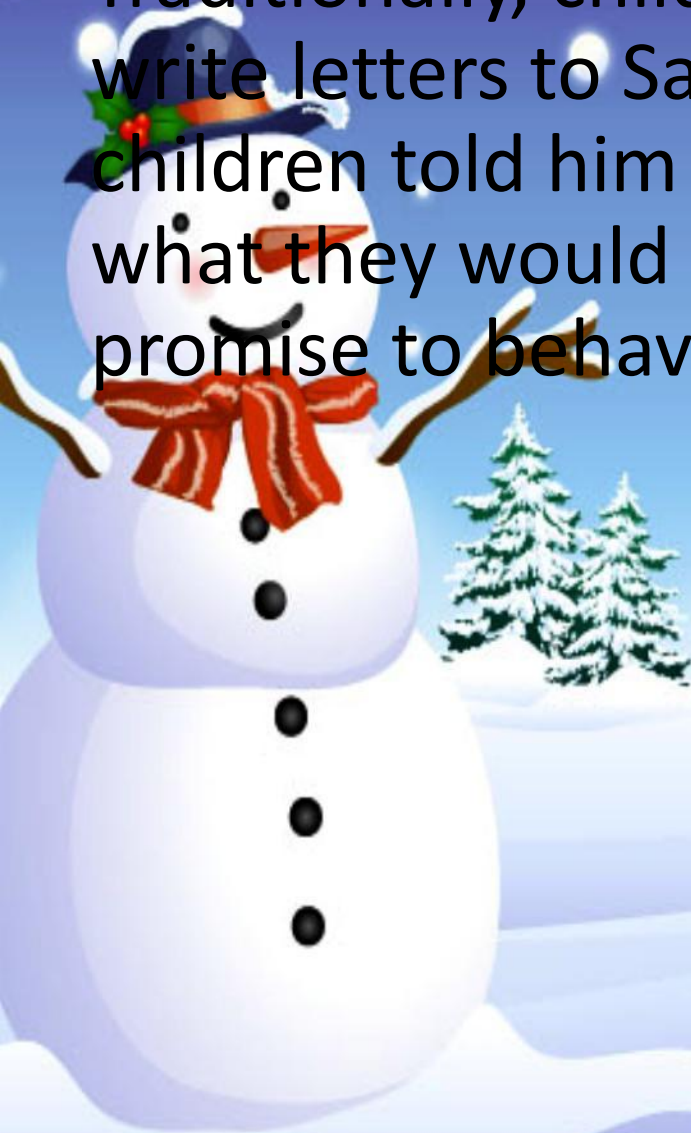
Presents in stockings

- According to the Christmas legend, lived in ancient times a noble but very poor man.
- His wife died and he was left alone with her three daughters. The girls could not marry because they had no dowry. One day before Christmas, they washed their stockings and hung in front of the fireplace. Santa Claus has decided to help the poor girls and threw them into each stocking in gold bullion, so they could marry. Since then, the Christmas Eve children hang stockings in England before the fire, and in the morning they find presents.



Children write letters to Santa Claus

- Traditionally, children in England at Christmas they write letters to Santa Claus. In these letters, the children told him about how well they behave and what they would like to receive as a gift, and promise to behave well in the coming year.



Christmas wreath of mistletoe



Christmas log



- One of the ancient British tradition - the Christmas log. It is believed that the ancient Vikings brought this rite in England. At Christmas, they cut down a huge tree, and it is stored for the entire year - went dry. And until the next Christmas he brought into the house, and it glowed in the hearth for a long time. If, however, went out, not burned to ashes, the owners were expecting trouble.



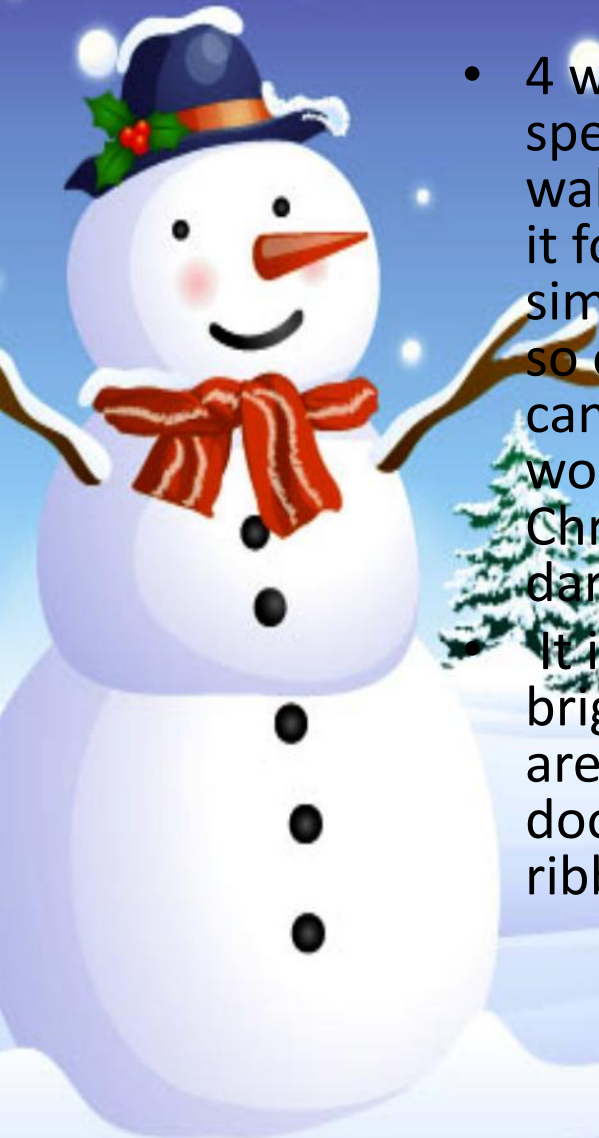
Night of candles

- At Christmas, all the windows of country houses lit by candles in the UK, so the locals night on Christmas Eve is called the "night of candles."





Christmas wreath. Christmas candles



- 4 weeks before Christmas, people of faith bring a special wreath - Advent Wreath. In contrast to simple wall of Christmas wreaths, this put on the table and fix it four candles that are lit every Sunday, but not simultaneously, but one by one - first one, then two and so on. On the last Sunday before Christmas all four candles are lit, symbolizing the light that comes into the world with the birth of Christ. In many countries, Christmas candles signify the victory of light over darkness.
- It is often decorated with boughs of holly home. Glossy bright red berries and dark green leaves of this plant are well fit into the big Christmas palette. In the doorways are hung branches of mistletoe tied with ribbons.



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Decorate



- The first Christmas trees were decorated with fresh flowers and fruit. Were later added to sweets, nuts and other foods. Then - Christmas candles. This consignment was certainly too heavy for the tree. To replace the fruit, and other heavy ornaments, German glassblowers began producing hollow glass Christmas decorations, which are still the most popular decoration for Christmas trees.
- As a rule, all the Christmas decorations removed on January 6. It is said that to keep them longer - a bad omen.



Song We Wish You A Merry Christmas



- We wish you a merry Christmas
- We wish you a merry Christmas
- We wish you a merry Christmas
- And a happy New Year.
- Glad tidings we bring
- To you and your kin;
- Glad tidings for Christmas
- And a happy New Year!
-
- We want some milk and cookies
- We want some milk and cookies
- We want some milk and cookies
- Please bring it right here!
- Glad tidings we bring
- To you and your kin;
- Glad tidings for Christmas
- And a happy New Year!
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- We won't go until we get some
- We won't go until we get some
- We won't go until we get some
- So bring it out here!
- Glad tidings we bring
- To you and your kin;
- Glad tidings for Christmas
- And a happy New Year!
-
- We wish you a Merry Christmas
- We wish you a Merry Christmas
- We wish you a Merry Christmas
- And a happy New Year.
- Glad tidings we bring
- To you and your kin;
- Glad tidings for Christmas
- And a happy New Year!

End

- Merry Christmas!

