

**Hello my name is Abdirazak Aidos**

**I want to talk about national holidays in USA**

**Actually American holidays**

**Thanksgiving Day.** is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November, but many Americans take a day off next Friday so that the celebration lasted four days, giving them the opportunity to go to relatives and friends. The holiday was first celebrated in 1621 when the Puritans arrived in Massachusetts for the first time were free to practice their religion.



**4th July.** Independence Day, the birthday of the nation. July 4, 1776 Declaration of Independence was adopted. On this day are picnics, parade, concerts, fireworks are held. Many hang an American flag (as well as on Memorial Day and other holidays). July 4, 1976 held a grand celebration for the whole country as a sign of the 200th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence



**Veterans Day.** Originally known as Armistice Day, this holiday was celebrated in honor of the American veterans of the First World War. It falls on November 11, the day the war ended (1918). At the present time - a celebration of all veterans of all wars in which the United States participated. Organization veterans hold parades, and the president lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery, located on the other side of the Potomac River in Washington, DC.

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**Presidents' Day.** Until the mid-70s it was a national holiday on February 22 - the birthday of the hero of the Revolutionary War and first president of the United States George Washington. In addition, on February 12 in most states to celebrate the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, who was president during the Civil War. Subsequently, the two holidays were combined, and now he is celebrated as a holiday of all former presidents of the United States on the third Monday of February.

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**Labor Day.** This holiday is celebrated on the first Monday of September and is considered a holiday workers. Usually on this day parades. For most Americans, this day marks the end of the holiday season, and for many students - the beginning of the new academic year.

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**Columbus Day.** October 12, 1492 the Italian navigator Christopher Columbus landed in the New World. While most other American countries, this day falls on October 12 in the United States it is celebrated on the second Monday of October.

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**Easter.** which every spring falls on different Sundays, reflecting the Christian belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. For Christians, Easter - the day of prayer and family gatherings. Among the many Americans preserved the tradition of painting Easter eggs and giving children sweets as a gift. The next day, on Easter Monday, the president of the United States with the children taking part in the annual "skating Easter eggs" on the White House lawn.

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**Christmas** - a Christian holiday, which is celebrated on December 25 as the birthday of Christ. Even many non-Christian Americans traditionally on this day decorate their homes and yards with lights, Christmas trees set, give each other gifts and send greeting cards



**New Year.** is celebrated on January 1st. The celebration begins the evening before, when Americans gather to wish each other happiness and prosperity in the coming year

