



# The ancient Britons. Their language and culture

Practical work  
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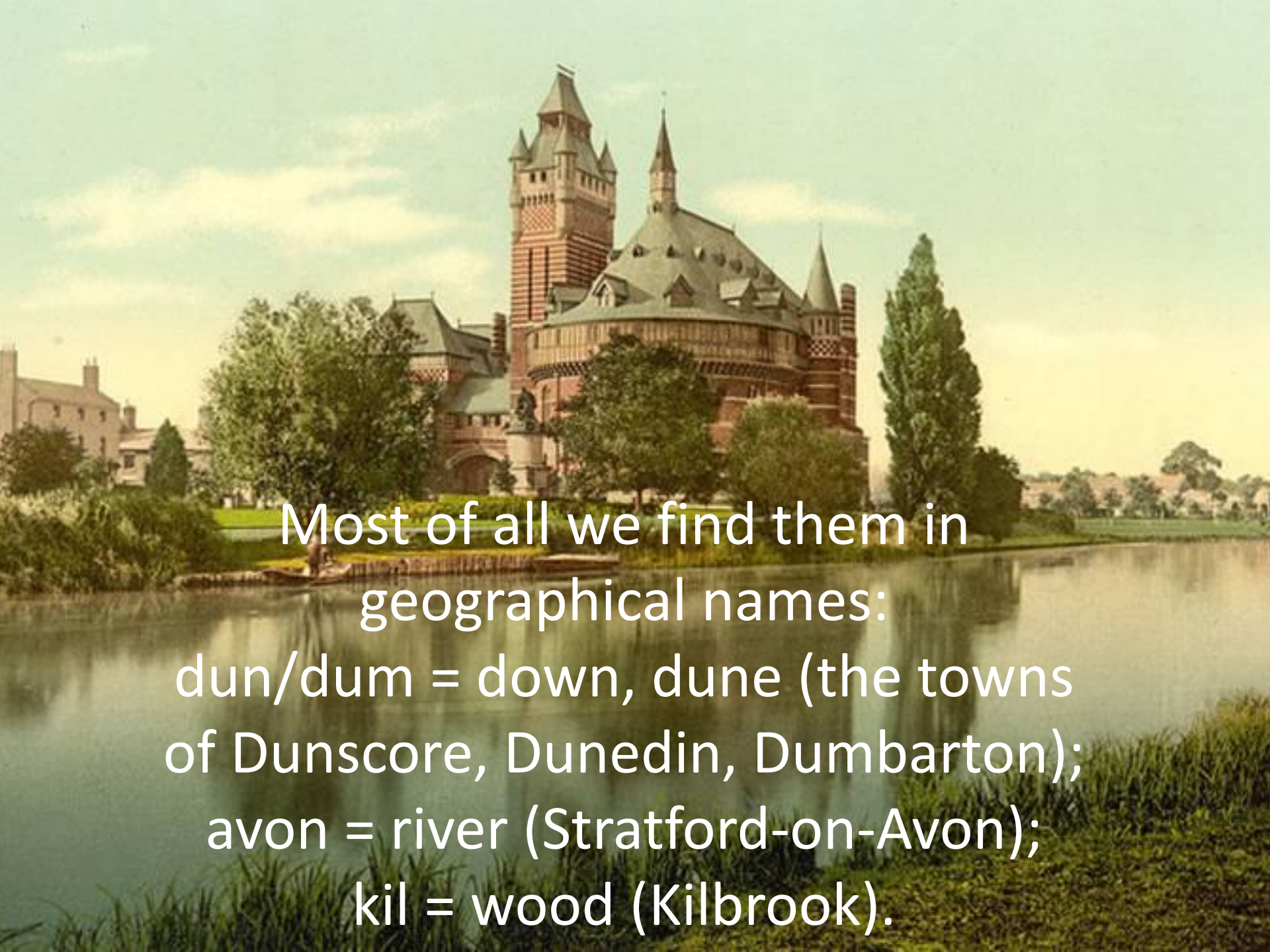
In the 4th century B. C. the country we now call England was known as Britain. One of the tribes who lived there was named the Britons. They belonged to the Celtic race and spoke Celtic.

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na in 700 dazum. þeod cunniga  
þrym 7 þrumon huda æþelungas ella  
fre medon. of 7 scyld scepnig sceapen  
þreatum mones gū mæstun mædo 7 ceap  
of ceap eston 7 syddan 7 ceap  
fea sceap 7 þeod he þe 7 geþa  
weox under polenum 7 ceap myndan þeod

There are still some traces of this language found in the English of today.





Most of all we find them in  
geographical names:

dun/dum = down, dune (the towns  
of Dunscore, Dunedin, Dumbarton);

avon = river (Stratford-on-Avon);

kil = wood (Kilbrook).

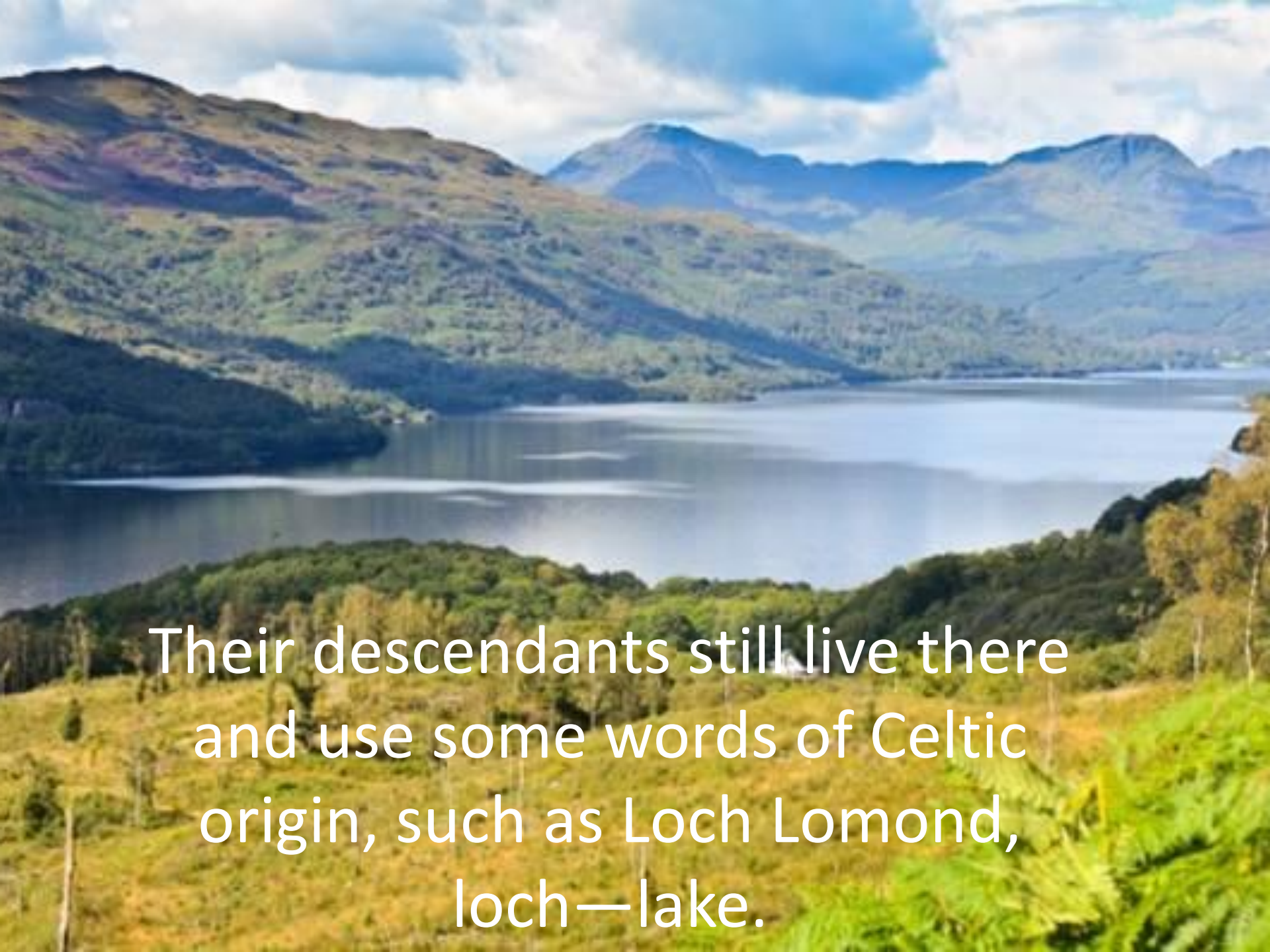




Another Celtic  
tribe Gaels lived in  
Ireland, Scotland  
and Wales.







Their descendants still live there  
and use some words of Celtic  
origin, such as Loch Lomond,  
loch—lake.

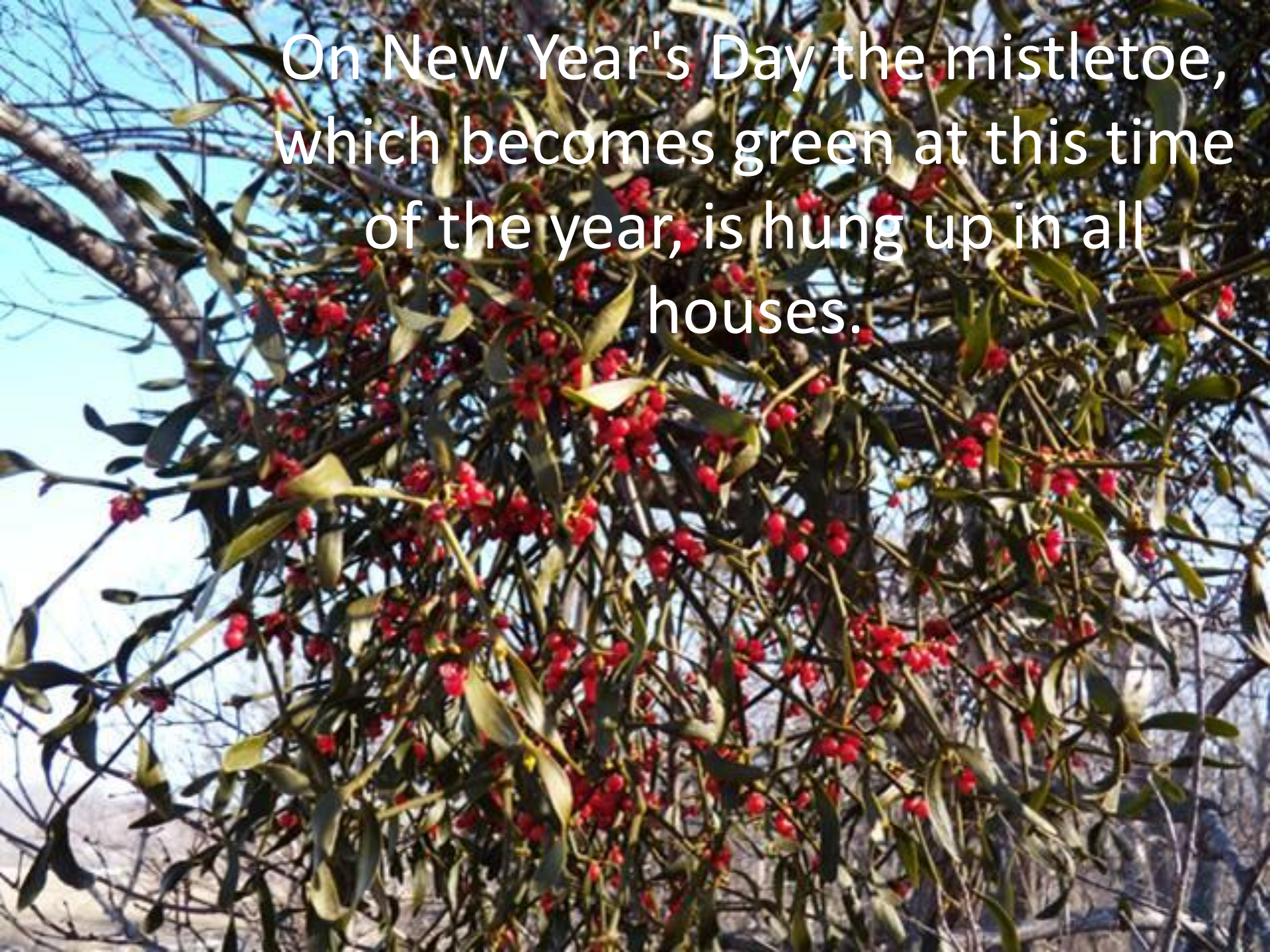




The Britons had a strange and cruel religion- the religion of the Druids.  
Some customs of the Druids are kept in England nowadays.



On New Year's Day the mistletoe, which becomes green at this time of the year, is hung up in all houses.







Thank you for your attention