

Christmas in different countries



Christmas in Russia

Christmas is considered one of the main holidays of Christians, the second after Easter.

On this day believers celebrate the major event — the birth of the Divine Son Jesus Christ who has come to earth to rescue human souls.

Celebrating Christmas in Russia is similar to Belarus and Ukraine, and it begins with Christmas Eve January 6, which is called the Sochelnyk.

The special tradition of Christmas and Svyatki in Russia was kolyadki, or glorification.





Youth and children dressed up and went out into the court yard with a large self-made star, singing church songs, and also spiritual songs-kolyadki devoted to Christmas.

In some areas of Russia a star replaced «vertep» — with an original doll theatre, in which where representation of Christmas Jesus.



Christmas in Britain

Christmas Day, December 25, is probably the most popular holiday in Great Britain.

Santa Claus got his name from a man known as St. Nicolas, who lived in the fourth century.

He gave his wealth to the poor and often to children.

On the eve of Christmas children hang their stockings, so that Santa Claus could put presents into them: oranges, sweets, nuts and if the child didn't behave properly Santa Claus can put there a piece of coal as punishment.



CHRISTMAS IN AUSTRALIA



Christmas in Australia happens in the summer. Most Australians have been dreaming of a white Christmas for centuries.

Now they have their own Christmas, Australian style.

It's rare to find a flake of snow on Christmas cards these days.

Now the publishers print Christmas cards with native Australian animals and landscape scenes of the Australian bush.

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