

Holidays in Britain



HOLIDAYS IN GREAT BRITAIN

**ПРАЗДНИКИ В
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British people like holidays.

Here are some of the traditional holidays they celebrate:

- New Year`s Day,
- St.Valentine`s Day,
- Easter Festival,
- Halloween,
- Guy Fawkes` Night,
- Christmas Festival.



Many festivals and holidays in Britain are very old. Every town, village in Britain has its own traditions.

Многие фестивали и праздники в Великобритании очень древние. Каждый город, деревня в Британии имеют свои собственные традиции.





Christmas Day

Christmas is celebrated on the **25th December**. It is the time when Christians around the world celebrate the birth of Jesus. Most people are on holiday in the UK and stay at home with their family on Christmas day. Christmas Day is the favourite day for children. They wake up very early in the morning to find their stockings have been filled by Father Christmas





CHRISTMAS SYMBOLS



Christmas tree



Santa Claus



Christmas dinner



Stockings



Greenery



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

The most popular holiday in Britain is Christmas. People give each other presents and send Christmas cards. The traditional English dinner on Christmas is turkey and pudding.



New Year

(December,31)



It is an official holiday in Great Britain and the USA. People have parties on this day, light fireworks.

Most people see with friends and
relatives.

At midnight they sing New Year songs and
wishes a happy New Year.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY – FEBRUARY 14



On this day, people send Valentine cards to their husbands, wives, girlfriends and boyfriends. You can also send a card to a person you do not know.

*Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
Honey's sweet
And so are you.*



Your Secret Admirer.

Easter (April)

Easter is a very popular holiday in Great Britain. At Easter the British celebrate the idea of the new birth by giving each other chocolate Easter eggs, which are opened and eaten on Easter Sunday.



EASTER

- Many modern Easter symbols come from ancient time.
- The egg was a symbol long before the Christian era.
- The Easter bunny is also originated in pre-Christian time.





Easter Day

Easter is a very important festival in Great Britain.

Easter usually comes in April and it is always on Sunday.

The wish for this day: "Happy Easter!"

There are many funny symbols and interesting traditions on this day.



Happy Easter





HALLOWEEN

- On October 31st British people celebrate Halloween. It is the most colourful and exciting holiday of the year.
- Halloween is a time for fun.



MOTHERS' DAY

People visit their mothers if possible and give them flowers and small presents. If they cannot go they send a "Mothers' Day card".





The 17th of March is a national holiday in Ireland – St. Patrick's day. On that day people wear a shamrock. A shamrock is a plant with three leaves. It is the national symbol of Ireland.

St. Patrick was a man who had wonderful power. He cleared Ireland of snakes.



April Fools Day



1April

A day of jokes and tricks. You have to play the joke before 12 o'clock midday, otherwise the joke is on you. No one really knows when this custom began but it has been kept for hundreds of years.

*The First of April, some do say
Is set apart for All Fools Day;
But why the people call it so,
Not I, nor they themselves do know.*





Boxing Day

Boxing Day is usually celebrated on the following day after Christmas Day. It is the day to open the Christmas Box to share the contents with the poor. Boxing Day is the day when families get together. It is a day of watching sports and playing board games with the family. Many families go on walks in the countryside.





Pancake Day



On this day in England families usually have pancakes for dinner.



Pancake Day is a funny custom. It is famous for an unusual race with frying pans and pancakes.



Competitors have to throw it in the air and catch it again in the pan.



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May Day

It is a celebration of the coming of spring.

On May Day different outdoor events are held.

Traditional English May Day celebrations include Morris dancing, crowning a May Queen and dancing around a Maypole.





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