

Практическое занятие №22 Традиции, обычаи и праздники страны изучаемого языка.

Грамматика: Числительные: количественные и порядковые

Exercise 1. Read and translate the word- combinations correctly.

1. To send special greeting cards
2. to celebrate a holiday
3. to make a gift
4. to give and get presents
5. to hug parents and friends
6. to strike midnight
7. to wish success
8. on New Year's Eve
9. to hang toys and lights on the Christmas Tree
10. Christmas stockings near the fireplace
11. to have a turkey with vegetables

Exercise 2. Answer the following questions.

- 1) What is the most favorite holiday in your family?
- 2) What are the most important public holidays in Great Britain?
- 3) What religious holidays do you know?
- 4) What Orthodox holidays does your family usually celebrate?
- 5) What are the most important national holidays in Russia?
- 6) What do Russian people celebrate on the 9th of May?
- 7) During what holiday do American people eat their traditional food: roast turkey?
- 8) Name the date when English people celebrate Halloween.

Exercise 3. Read and translate the text.

The history of Thanksgiving day.

Pilgrims:

Pilgrims were people who sailed to America from Plymouth, England, in September, 1620 with 102 passengers. They came to America for religious freedom. They were among the first European settlers to America. The name of their ship was "Mayflower". They landed at Plymouth Rock, in what is now the state Massachusetts in December, 1620.

Indians:

Indians are people, living in America before the pilgrims arrived. Those people were the Native American Indians. They began settling in America about 25000 years ago. They hunted, fished and farmed to survive. There were many groups, or tribes, and each of them had its own customs, traditions and beliefs. Their favorite foods were poultry (a duck, a goose), venison, berries and vegetables. Indians were a good

and kind people. They helped the English pilgrims to survive in severe conditions. They taught them how to hunt, to farm and to survive in America.

Exercise 4. Answer the following questions.

1. When is Thanksgiving celebrated in America?
2. Why did the pilgrims decide to leave their country?
3. What was the name of their ship?
4. How many passengers were there on board the ship?
5. Where did the pilgrims live in America?
6. Who helped the pilgrims?
7. Who decided to hold a special Thanksgiving feast?
8. In which season did the pilgrims celebrate the first Thanksgiving Day?
9. When did the Indians begin settling in America?
10. What is the key phrase on the Thanksgiving Day?

Exercise 5. On what holidays do people usually do the following?

1. This is a holiday when people buy a tree and decorate it with ornaments, toys, lights and sweets.
3. This holiday is celebrated on the 4-th of July. It is a national American holiday.
4. Friends & relatives come to you on that day and bring you presents.
5. Ghosts and witches come on that day. The traditional colors of that holiday are orange & black.
6. This holiday is celebrated in April. And the Bunny brings a basket of candy to children.
7. Red heart is the emblem of this day.
8. We begin to celebrate this holiday in December & the end of this holiday in January is the beginning of the year.