CHRISTMAS TREE THE WONDER!



Интерактивная лекция-викторина для учащихся **8-11** классов

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The use of evergreen trees to celebrate the winter season occurred before the birth of

Christ -

The first
decorated
Christmas
tree was in

Riga,

Latvia in 1510.





The first printed reference to **Christmas** trees appeared in **Germany**

in 1531.

Besides evergreens, other types of trees such as cherry and hawthorns were used as **Christmas trees** in the past.





Using small candles_ to light a **Christmas tree** dates back to the middle of the 17th century.

Every year since 1947, the people of Oslo, Norway have given a Christmas tree to the city of Westminster, England. The gift is an expression of good will and gratitude for **Britain's help to Norway during World** War II.





In 1856 Franklin Pierce, the 14th **President of the United States,** was the first **President to** place a **Christmas tree** in the White

-House

President Theodore

Roosevelt, an avowed environmentalist, **banned Christmas** trees from the White **House during his** presidency. The president was against real Christmas trees because he feared that Christmas trees would lead to deforestation.

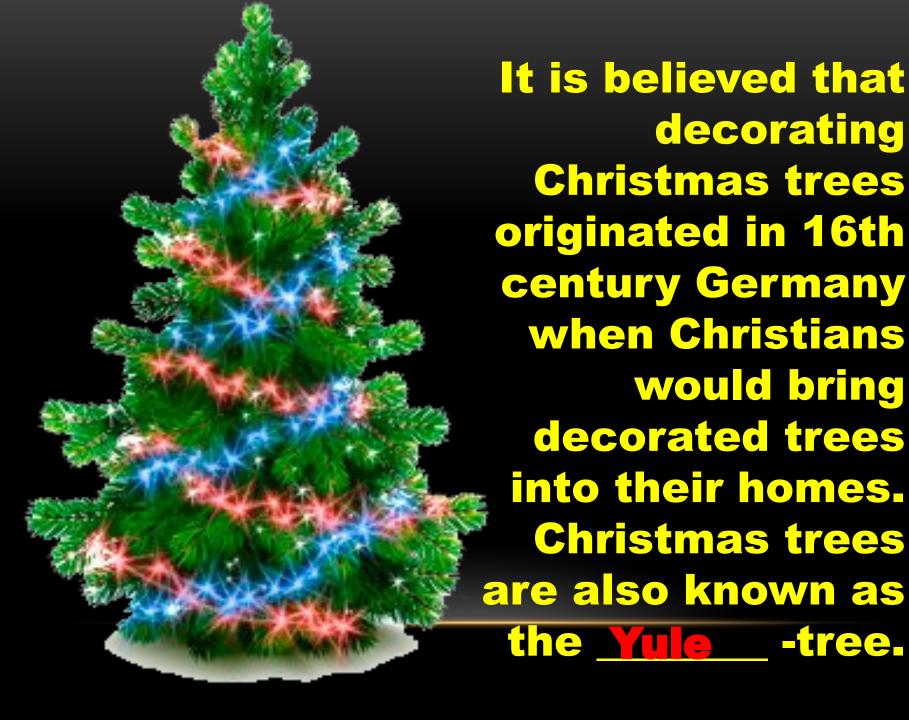




The first **Christmas tree** retail lot in the **United States** was started by **Mark Carr in New** ork , in 1851.

The most popular **Christmas trees** are: Scotch pine, Douglas fir, noble fir, Fraser fir, balsam fir, Virginia pine and white





Christmas trees were first decorated with foods such as apples, _nuts_ and dates.





The world's tallest cut Christmas tree was a 67.36 meters (221 feet) Douglas fir erected and decorated at **Northgate Shopping Center**_, Seattle, Washington, USA, in

December 1950.

IN THE 19TH **CENTURY Christmas** trees were often decorated - most dangerously - with





IN POLAND, spider webs are common **Christmas tree** decorations because according to legend, a spider wove a blanket for Baby Jesus





THE TALLEST **CHRISTMAS** tree in <u>Ireland</u> , a Douglas fir, is 202 feet tall and can be found along the **Powerscourt River Walk in Co** Wicklow.

Georgians have their own traditional **Christmas tree** called Chichilaki, made from dried up hazelnut or walnut branches that are shaped to form a small coniferous





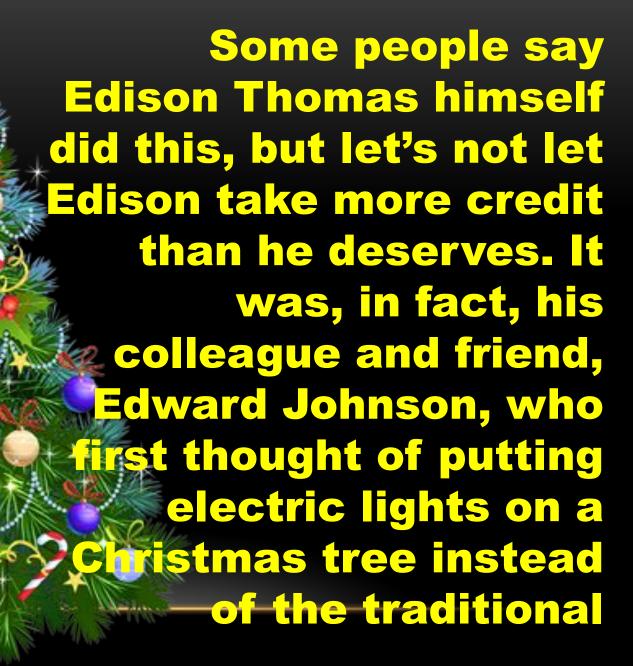


Standing 236-feet tall and made of scrap metal and wood covered in plastic netting, the world's tallest artificial Christmas tree was erected in Colombo, **Str. Lanka**, in 2016.

The White House gets an official Christmas tree every year. It sits in the circular Blue

Room, and every year since 1961, the First Lady has been in charge of selecting the theme and decorations for the tree.

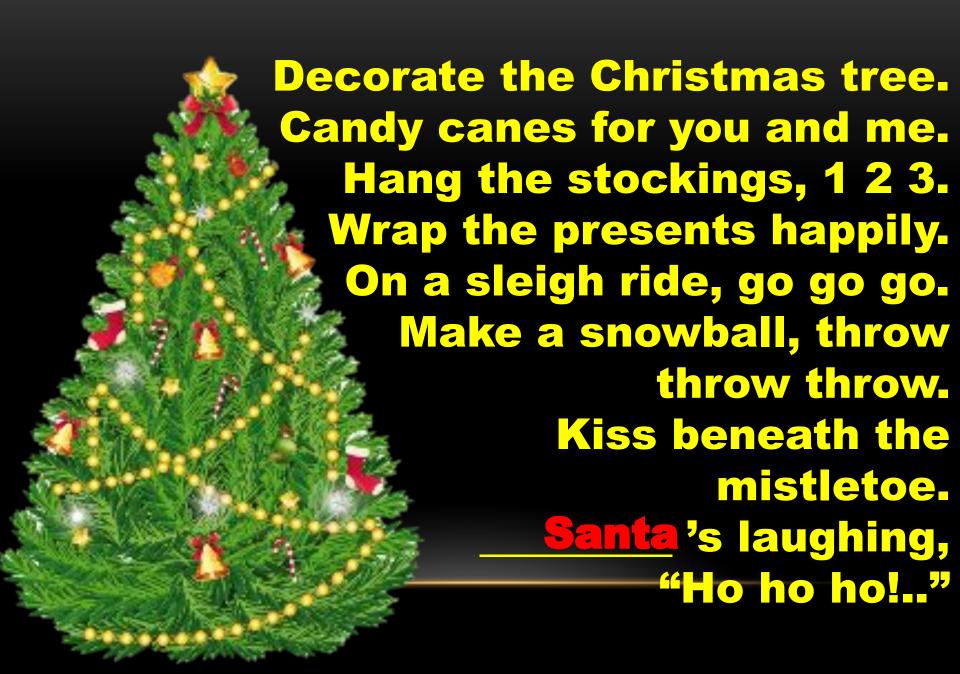






Real Christmas trees provide excellent habitat for birds and other small animals. **Their branches keep** the ground cooler in summer and warmer in winter - sheltering many animals. **Christmas trees help** prevent <u>water</u> and soil erosion. They beautify the landscape.





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