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ПРОЕКТ
по английскому языку
на тему:
"Масленица"

Maslenitsa



- This holiday comes back from pagan times. The holiday like Maslenitsa is celebrated in many cities. On this holiday people often go out to entertain themselves and play games. Also, a holiday like Maslenitsa lasts seven days. The celebration begins a week before Lent. This week in Russia is called "Cheese Week", as it is allowed to eat butter and dairy products for seven days.

Maslenitsa: traditions of celebration



Many years ago, Maslenitsa was divided into narrow one they were - the first three days and wide one - the last four days. Each day of the Maslenitsa has its own special meaning. On Monday and Tuesday, people had different entertainments: ice skating, songs, dances, ditties, round dances, jumping over a fire .

Maslenitsa: traditions of celebration



A treat on Shrove Tuesday

- A rich table is usually set on Wednesday. Pancakes are the main dish. Previously, in Russia, pancakes were considered a symbol of the sun. Besides pancakes, there are other different baking on the table.



Rite of passage burning effigies

- Sunday is the last day of Maslenitsa. There is a tradition all over Russia each other for forgiveness. That is why this day is called Shrove Sunday. The symbol of the holiday is considered a scarecrow, which is burned at the stake. Burning a scarecrow is a rite that is dedicated to seeing off winter and meeting spring. Maslenitsa is a very funny and interesting holiday, which amuses with its entertainments and traditions



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Exercise 1 Read the text. Say, if the information is true or false.

- 1) The Maslenitsa lasts 14 days.
- 2) The symbol of the Maslenitsa is scarecrow.
- 3) The main dish is pies.
- 4) Pancakes are a symbol of the sun.
- 5) Burning a scarecrow is not a special rite.

Exercise 2 Choose the correct answer.

How many days does Maslenitsa last?

- a) 5 days
- b) 7 days
- c) 10 days

What day of the week is a rich table set?

- a) Monday
- b) Wednesday
- c) Sunday

What day of the week do you apologize to each other?

- a) Saturday
- b) Friday
- c) Sunday

Exercise 3 Give an answer to the question: What does the ritual of burning effigies mean?