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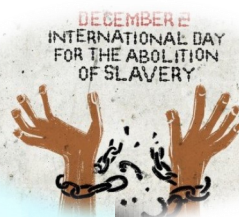
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Festivals and Celebrations



1 November – World Vegan Day

World Vegan Day is celebrated on 1st November to raise awareness about the benefits of a vegan diet and veganism in general. On 1st November 1994, the first Vegan Day was established to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the UK Vegan Society.

1 November - All Saints' Day

On 1 November, All Saints' Day is celebrated to praise all saints'. All Saints' Day is also known as All Hallows' Day or Halloween.

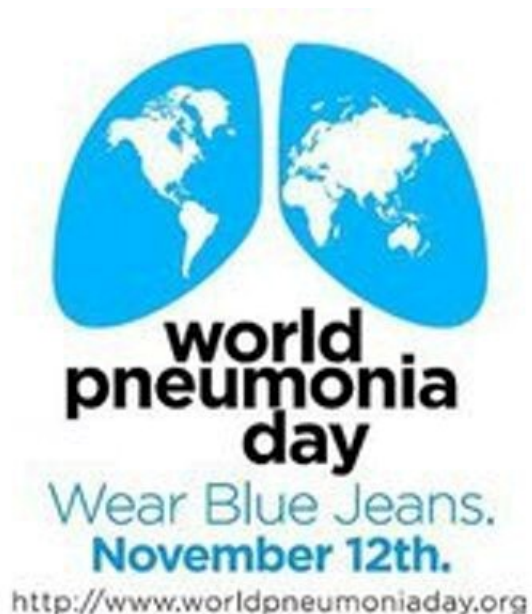


11 November - Armistice Day (Remembrance Day)

Armistice Day is observed on 11 November and is also known as L'Armistice de la Première Guerre Mondiale in France. This day is observed in the commemoration of the end of World War I. Some countries also call it Remembrance Day. Let us tell you that on 11 November 1918, an armistice was signed between the Allied Forces and Germany at Compiègne in northern France.

12 November - World Pneumonia Day

World Pneumonia Day is observed on 12 November to raise awareness about Pneumonia and its prevention. It is the world's leading infectious disease due to which children below 5 years are much more affected.



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13 November - World Kindness Day

World Kindness Day is celebrated on 13 November and this day provides us an opportunity to reflect and follow the most important and one of the unique human principles. This day promotes small acts of kindness and brings people together.

16 November - International Day for Tolerance

International Day for Tolerance is observed on 16 November to raise awareness about strengthening tolerance by encouraging mutual understanding among cultures and peoples. The UN General Assembly in 1966 by resolution 51/95 invited UN Member States to observe the International Day for Tolerance on 16 November.

Tolerance is an attribute that helps people to live together peacefully. Tolerant people accept the opinions of other people and listen to them. They show strength that they can deal with different opinions and perspectives.



25 November - International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

This day was established by the UN General Assembly in 1993. It defines violence against women as an act of gender-based violence that results in physical, sexual or psychological harm or suffering to women, including threat, etc.

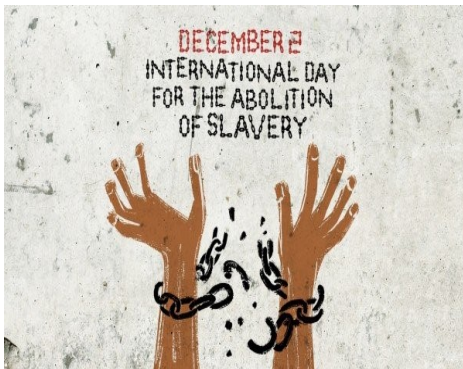
**STOP
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AGAINST
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Festivals and Celebrations

1 December – World AIDS Day

World AIDS Day is observed on 1 December every year to raise awareness and knowledge about HIV and a call to move toward ending the HIV epidemic. It was first celebrated in 1988. The theme of 2019 is "Ending the HIV/AIDS Epidemic: Community by Community". And according to UNAIDS, the theme of this year is "Communities make the difference".



2 December - International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

It is observed on 2 December to make people aware about the modern slavery that works against human rights. Do you know more than 40 million people in the world are victims of modern slavery? This day reminds the situations of exploitation that a person cannot refuse due to threats, violence, coercion or abuse of power.

5 December - International Volunteer Day

International Volunteer Day (IVD) is celebrated on 5 December every year. This day provides a chance for volunteers and organisations to celebrate their efforts, values and promote their work among their communities, etc. The theme of 2019 IVD is "Volunteer for an inclusive future".



10 December - Human Rights Day

Human Rights Day is celebrated on 10 December. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted in 1948 by the United Nations General Assembly. This day is observed to protect the fundamental human rights of all people and their basic human freedom.





Festive Jumpers

Don't be shocked if, throughout the month of December, you find yourself surrounded by people wearing festive jumpers everywhere. Some are flashy, some are funny, some have bright colours, reindeer, Santa Clauses and other seasonal elements. The jumper tradition has become even bigger since 2012, when the third Friday of December became officially known as "National Christmas Jumper Day". The day is organised by Save the Children to raise money for children worldwide; the motto is "help make the world better with a sweater".



Christmas Crackers

Another UK tradition that is great fun is the cracker pulling! You might see these sparkly cardboard tubes in the supermarkets or decorating restaurant tables during the festive period. They contain little "surprises" and should be opened by all the dinner guests at the same time, crossing their arms and then pulling it all together. The crackers contain jokes and paper hats that must be worn during the Christmas dinner!



Festive Food

There are certain foods that you find on Christmas Day in Britain, that you simply don't find elsewhere in the world! Mince pies (small, sweet pies filled with spiced fruit) are eaten throughout the month of December, and Christmas Pudding is enjoyed on the 25th December. The Christmas Pudding dates back to medieval times and it prepared months, sometimes even a year in advance! The high alcohol content stops it from going bad and also allows it to be set alight at the table!

Other traditional food stuffs that simply must be included in a traditional UK Christmas dinner are Pigs in Blankets (cocktail sausages wrapped in bacon) and Brussels Sprouts – a 'love it or hate it' type of vegetable.



Boxing Day

British people also celebrate "Boxing Day" on the 26th of December – another bank holiday to mark on your diary when visiting the United Kingdom. Also known as St Stephen's Day, Boxing Day was traditionally when employers distributed money or other goods to their employees, especially during the Victorian times. Nowadays it's also an important day, as it marks the beginning of the sales!



Advent Calendars

Although German in origin, Advent Calendars are very popular in the UK – they are non-existent in Spain! They make the countdown to Christmas more exciting, opening a little door each day, behind it, a treat – usually chocolate, although more modern versions can contain anything from Lego to toiletries!





Christmas in the United Kingdom



In the UK (or Great Britain), families often celebrate Christmas together, so they can watch each other open their presents!

Most families have a Christmas Tree (or maybe even two!) in their house for Christmas. The decorating of the tree is usually a family occasion, with everyone helping. Christmas Trees were first popularised in the UK by Prince Albert, the husband of Queen Victoria. Prince Albert was German, and thought that it would be good to use one of his ways of celebrating Christmas in England.



Most villages, towns and cities are decorated with Christmas lights over Christmas. Often a famous person switches them on. The most famous Christmas lights in the UK are in Oxford Street in London. Every year they get bigger and better. Thousands of people go to watch the big 'switch on' around the beginning of November.





Christmas in the United Kingdom



Like a lot of countries, Nativity Plays and Carol Services are also very popular at Christmas time. The Church that I go to always has a Carols by Candlelight Service where the church is only lit up by candles. It is a very special service and always makes me feel very Christmassy!



Children believe that Father Christmas or Santa Claus leaves presents in stockings or pillowcases. These are normally hung up by the fire or by the children's beds on Christmas Eve. Children sometimes leave out mince pies and brandy for Father Christmas to eat and drink when he visits them. Now, it's often a non-alcoholic drink that's left because Santa has to drive his sleigh.





Christmas in the United Kingdom



Children write letters to Father Christmas/Santa listing their requests, but sometimes instead of putting them in the post, the letters are tossed into the fireplace. The draught carries the letters up the chimney and Father Christmas/Santa reads the smoke.



In the UK, the main Christmas Meal is usually eaten at lunchtime or early afternoon on Christmas Day. It's normally roast turkey, roast vegetables and 'all the trimmings' which means vegetables like carrots & peas, stuffing and sometimes bacon and sausages. It's often served with cranberry sauce and bread sauce. Traditionally, and before turkey was available, roast beef or goose was the main Christmas meal. One vegetable that is often at Christmas in the UK are brussel sprouts.

Dessert is often Christmas Pudding. Mince pies and lots of chocolates are often eaten as well!

The UK is also famous for Christmas Cake - some people love it and some people really don't like it! It's traditionally a rich fruit cake covered with marzipan and icing - and often top with Christmas themed cake decorations like a sprig of holly.



Special News

France Helps Abused Women

Thousands of people flooded the streets of Paris and other French cities in a protest against domestic violence.

France has one of the highest domestic violence rates in Europe, and activists say that more than 100 women were killed by their current or former partners this year.

The French government has announced a series of new measures worth millions of dollars to help prevent domestic violence against women. The measures include tougher penalties for abusers, offenders wearing electronic bracelets, and creating 1,000 new places in shelters for women who have experienced domestic violence.

The French president, Emanuel Macron, says that he supports the measures.

London Knife Attack

There was a recent knife attack that killed two people and injured others at London Bridge. Police shot and killed the attack suspect.

In 2012, the attack suspect went to jail due to a plot to bomb the London Stock Exchange. In 2018, authorities released him from jail with an "extensive list of license conditions."

The UK Prime Minister, Boris

Johnson, said that he is ordering a license condition review for 74 other people who went to jail for terrorism and were released early. He said that if someone goes to jail for a serious terrorist crime, he should get a

minimum sentence of 14 years or not be released. Johnson said that the review had to happen quickly to stop any other threats.



Inactive Twitter Accounts

Twitter announced that it will start to remove inactive accounts and that users will have until December 11 to login if they want to keep their accounts.

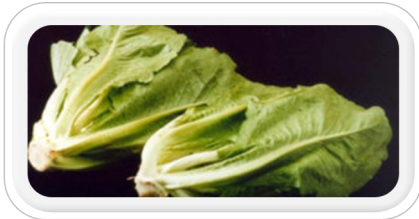
The company wanted to start deleting accounts that were inactive in the last six months. The plan was to present more accurate information on Twitter.

Now, Twitter is rethinking its plan following feedback from users who said that this would delete the posts of people who have died. In a statement on Wednesday, the company said that it will not remove any inactive accounts until it creates a new way for people to memorialize accounts.

The company clarified that for now, the plan would only affect EU accounts due to local regulations. However, to ensure the integrity of the service in the future, Twitter wants to enforce its inactive account policy globally.



Special News



Dangerous Lettuce

- There has been a continuing E. coli outbreak with more than a hundred reported cases in at least 23 US states. E. coli is a bacterium found in the intestines of humans and other animals, and it can cause severe food poisoning.
- People have been hospitalized, and some of them developed kidney failure.
- Health officials say that they are working to locate the exact source of the infections which are linked to romaine lettuce harvested from Salinas, California.
- Consumers are advised not to eat romaine lettuce from the Salinas area, and producers are requested to take the lettuce off the market for the rest of the growing season.

Ice Cream Business

The company Nestlé is selling its US ice cream business to a joint venture, Foneri, in a deal worth about \$4 billion dollars.

The sales from Nestlé's ice cream business have decreased by 4 percent since 2010. Foneri is one of the world's largest ice cream companies, and Nestlé is hoping to revitalize the business.

The sale to Foneri will take place in the first quarter of 2020; however, Nestlé will continue to manage ice cream businesses in Canada, Latin America and Asia.

The International Dairy Food Association says that ice cream is an \$11 billion industry in the US. Americans eat 23 pounds of ice cream each year, which is more per capita than anywhere else in the world.



Instagram Rules

Instagram now requires all new users to provide their birthdays when making an account.

The reason is to prevent underage people from joining the photo-sharing service, to help keep young people safer, and to offer more age-appropriate experience.

Instagram said that it will use users' birthdays to educate them around account controls and recommended privacy settings. Teenagers often have no way of proving their age; however, the company believes that most users are honest about their age.

In the past, Instagram was criticized for its policy of only requiring users to confirm that they were at least 13 years old when creating an account. Critics said that this increased the risk of children seeing inappropriate content and that collecting data about people under the age of 13 can be illegal.







This month is all about making teens' voices heard. They wrote about Teens and Technology. Send in your ideas and opinions and you might appear in the next month's magazine. Thank you!!!

Teens and Technology



Is technology taking over?

Yes, it is, but is that good or bad? The answer is both. On one hand, technologic advance can make our lives easier and make us enjoy more of it, however, from another perspective, it separates people even more and its overuse is the ultimate road to complete unhappiness and isolation from the real world ,and from what I observe, it is already something very common in our society, especially among young people, which are the future of our planet.

Talking about technologic advance and how that can solve some of the world's biggest problems like climate change and sustainability, I believe that sometimes it is not about the latest and craziest revolutionary technologies, it is more about using the tools that we already have and simply get them working properly.



For example, Africa has got an exceptional energetic potential because of its sunlight exposure. A very good idea is filling some parts of its deserts with solar parks, which are basically gigantic photovoltaic plants. This way of producing energy is sustainable, ecologic, relatively simple and it uses technology that we already mastered. It is perfectly possible that these solar parks could generate enough energy to power the whole continent and still export most of it to other countries and continents. This could potentially solve some energetic problems worldwide, since we would not rely that much on non-renewable energy sources and still reduce in a significant way Africa's poverty. This is just an example of simple ideas and methods put to work effectively.

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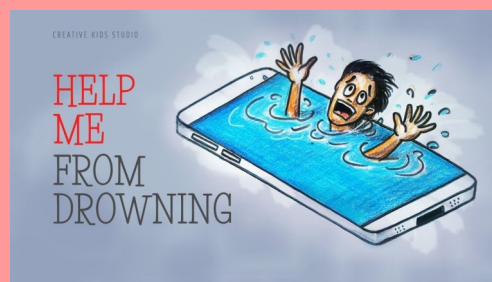
I think the technology is taking over.

The people have started to use the smartphone too many hours in a day. Some people like to be in the social media, others play games or navigate in the internet. Sometimes the people in the social media can discuss a topic, so that's a good thing, but the social media is the origin of the cyberbullying and of course that's a bad thing.

The internet is also good because we can search whatever we want and have an answer.

I use a lot of my phone to be in the social media but also to communicate with my family.

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Christmas Day

December 25th

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Can you help Santa
unscramble these words?
That sure would help.

