



LESSON PLAN

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Title: *Winter Holidays around the World*

School subjects: English, ICT

Level: 6th grade, 12 years old

Language: English

Short description:

Students read fragments about how people spend Christmas in Romania and UK, familiarize themselves with the specific vocabulary and then share personal experiences and opinions related to the winter holidays. Students work in groups to find out information about how people in other countries celebrate the winter holidays.

Estimate time: 100'

Tags: Canva, Scratch, Story Jumper

Learning objectives:

- Students find out interesting information regarding specific customs and traditions around the world
- Students feel free to express their opinions and share personal experiences regarding the way they and their family spend the winter holidays
- Enhance students' digital and communicative skills

Process:

1. The teacher asks students to read two fragments about how people spend Christmas in UK and Romania. Teacher explains any difficult vocabulary (e.g. aspic, stuffed cabbage etc)
2. Teachers asks students to watch a video called *Traditional food for Christmas* and then answer some questions:
 - *Do you celebrate Christmas with your family? How?*
 - *What do the children do on Christmas Eve in your area?*
 - *What do people do on Christmas day?*
 - *What do you like most about Christmas?*
 - *Where do you want to spend your next Christmas holiday?*
3. Teachers asks students discuss further questions:
 - *What is your favourite holiday? Why?*



- *What is the best present you have ever got for Christmas?*
 - *What is your favourite custom for Christmas?*
 - *Do you usually go carolling?*
4. Teacher asks students to discuss about festivals/ concerts with traditional Christmas music they have been to. They also discuss if they enjoyed the experience(s) or not. (class discussion/pair work/groupwork).
 5. Teachers asks students to make a project in which to include information about how people from different countries/parts of around the world spend the winter holidays, some specific customs and traditions as well as an imaginary interview with a local regarding the usual things people in that country do on a Christmas day. Students must use an online tool. (groupwork)
 6. Students present their work to their colleagues, sharing interesting personal experiences with classmates.

Write an e-mail to your best friend to thank him for his/her Christmas present.

Digital applications: Canva, Scratch, Story Jumper

Useful Links:

Conclusion:

Students enjoyed discovering interesting information about traditional customs around the world regarding the winter holidays. They also loved sharing personal experiences related to traditional festivals/ concerts they have been to. They realized that even if some people do not celebrate Christmas, they still have customs and traditions related to the winter holidays.

Proofs:

Students' activity:

<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/1104865615>

https://www.canva.com/design/DAGYPNOZAng/LMbJR79TfUoQfpEhtXr1VA/view?utm_content=DAGYPNOZAng&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=editor

<https://www.storyjumper.com/book/read/177328701>