



SAINT PATRICK'S DAY





Who ?

St Patrick is a Saint of Ireland.

He brought the christiany religion in Ireland. He denounced the British mistreatment (mauvais traitement) of Irish Christians because the national religion of United Kingdom is the Protestantism.

St Patrick is known for “remote snakes of Ireland” (Symbol of Evil). And it’s true there are no snakes in Ireland, but there probably never have been. Remote the snakes from Ireland was symbolic of the end of pagan practice (pagan is people without religion) to have only one religion.





What?

St Patrick's day is the Christ National Celebration of Republic of Ireland. It celebrates the death of St Patrick, the 17th March of 461 at the age of 76.



Where ?

- It is celebrated by the Irish people all around the world :



Ireland, Northern Ireland, Great Britain,



Canada, Argentina, Australia, New Zealand...

and in other countries...



When ?



- This day is celebrated the 17th of March.



Why ?

St Patrick's day is associated with a lot of things Irish, like green and gold, shamrocks and luck. St Patrick's Day is the traditional, spiritual and prayers day for the Irish believers. All the shops and businesses are closed with the exception of restaurants and pubs.



Some communities go far to paint rivers in green with green dye.





How ?

- People go out and party “*till the top o’ the morning*”. This expression means in French “*Jusqu’au petit matin*”. Everyone wear green things. If someone forgets to wear green, on St Patrick’s Day, people who are wearing green can give the offender a pinch as a gentle reminder (rappel doux) , but, if you pinch someone wearing green, the person can pinch you back 10 times!!!!





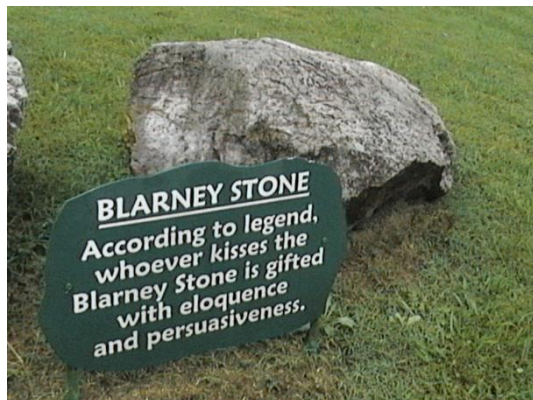
Specific details...



There's specific food in St Patrick's Day, all the aliments are green, like cookies with green frosting, with green M&M's, or with green sprinkles.

Or you can eat some other dietetic food:

Vegetable tray with broccoli, celery, carrots, green peppers and of dressing for dipping.
Or fruit tray with green grapes, green apples and a pot of caramel gold for dipping.



An activity on St Patrick's Day is for example the Blarney Stone of Ireland. You make your own Blarney Stone and the legend says if you kiss that Stone, you will be blessed with eloquence (s'exprimer, prendre la parole facilement devant les gens). A tradition of Ireland on St Patrick's Day is a Sprite who runs stark naked in Dublin's Street.



Specific vocabulary

- Sprite = Lutin
- green dye = Teinture verte
- St Patrick
- Shamrock = Trèfle
- The official song = La chanson officielle de St Patrick's day
- Blarney Stone = La roche de Blarney
- Green food = Nourriture Verte
- A pinch = Un pincement



Saint Patrick's song...

When Irish eyes are smiling...

There's a tear in your eye,
And I'm wondering why,
For it never should be there at all.
With such power in your smile,
Sure a stone you'd beguile,
So there's never a teardrop should fall.
When your sweet lilting laughter's
Like some fairy song,
And your eyes twinkle bright as can be;
You should laugh all the while
And all other times smile,
And now, smile a smile for me.

Chorus
When Irish eyes are smiling,
Sure, 'tis like the morn in Spring.
In the lilt of Irish laughter
You can hear the angels sing.
When Irish hearts are happy,
All the world seems bright and
 gay.
And when Irish eyes are smiling,
Sure, they steal your heart away.

For your smile is a part
Of the love in your heart,
And it makes even sunshine more
 bright.
Like the linnet's sweet song,
Crooning all the day long,
Comes your laughter and light.
For the springtime of life
Is the sweetest of all
There is ne'er a real care or regret;
And while springtime is ours
Throughout all of youth's hours
Let us smile each chance we get.

Listen to a part of this song ...



QUIZZ ...

1/What is the exactly date of the St Patrick's death?

2/What did St Patrick remote of Ireland?

3/What's the expression who means in French

“Jusqu'au petit matin?”

4/Give two examples of aliments of vegetable tray

5/What can you do if a people forget to wear green?



Thank you for your attention !!!

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