

## Earth day

April 22

At the initiative of the environmental activist Gaylord Nelson. First, the holiday celebrated April 22, 1970, in various events attended by more than 20 million Americans. Even the U.S. Senate decided not to hold meetings on this day so that the senators could take part in the celebration.

Question-answer What is the international Earth day?

In 1995 for his contribution to the development of the tradition of celebrating this Day Gaylord Nelson was awarded the "Medal of Freedom", the highest award that can be bestowed upon a civilian in the United States.

The organizers of the first Earth Day subsequently founded the international NGO Network Earth Day (Earth Day Network), which now works with more than 50 thousands of partners from 196 countries around the world. The purpose of their activities Network Earth Day puts the development of environmental education.



## The tradition of celebrating

On this day in all corners of the planet there are a lot of environmental activities, educational events for children and adolescents in order to draw attention to global issues on Earth.

Also on this day in different countries the Bell sounds, calling people to pay attention to the beauty of the planet and the need for its protection.

Earth day aims to draw global attention to environmental issues. Therefore, this day holds environmental events and activities — scientific conferences, exhibitions, closing traffic on the busy streets of major cities, cleaning and tree planting.



## Symbol

