# Independent work 

Theme: Holidays in the USA
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## Plan:

1. Holidays
2. Thanksgiving day
3.Independence day

## Holidays

- There are a lot of holidays in the USA. Many of them are associated with the history of the nation. The main holidays of the USA are New Year's Day, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.
- The New Year's Eve is a time for merriment. Most Americans spend this night with friends, at home or in restaurants. Thousands of people gather in New York in Times Square to see the New Year in. The Tournament of Roses takes place in Pasadena, California, on January 1 each year. Prizes are given to the cities with the most unusual floral compositions.
- At Easter there is a tradition for people to buy new clothes. After church services many people take walks along the streets of their towns, wearing their new Easter hats and suits. This is usually called the "Easter Parade".
- Memorial Day comes on May 30. It is dedicated to the memory of those who died for America in different wars. The national flags are put on the graves of soldiers on this day.


## Thanksgiving day

- Thanksgiving Day comes on the fourth Thursday of November. When the first settlers landed in America, their first year was very hard and 50 of 100 people died. But the Indians taught people how to plant corn and wild vegetables and in autumn they got a large harvest. Thanksgiving Day was their holiday, the day of giving thanks to God. It is a family holiday and Americans try to gather all family at home on this day.


## Independence day

- The 4th of July, an Independence Day, is the biggest national holiday of the USA. On this day in 1776 a document, known as the Declaration of Independence, was adopted. During this holiday American cities have parades, people shoot off fire-works in parks and fields.


## TEST

1. When Americans celebrate Memorial Day?
a) April 30
b) July 30
c) May 30
2. Which nation Americans took idea of Thanksgiving Day from?
a) Swedes
b) Indians
c) Arabs
3. When the Declaration of Independence was adopted?
a) 1778
b) 1776
c) 1774

- THANKS A LOT FOR YOUR ATTENTION!!!

