

Chapter IV

Holidays and Festivals



I. Ways to spend holidays

- ❖ **The favorite way is at seaside to swim and bathe for enjoyment.**
- ❖ **Another place is the amusement park or funfair with modern machines and devices which can give you a thrill.**
- ❖ **Few English people rent houses or flats but to stay in a boardinghouse.**
- ❖ **Some may spend holidays abroad.**

II. Public holidays in Britain

Bank and public holidays vary in the UK.



- ❖ In England and Wales: eight
- ❖ In Scotland: eight
- ❖ In Northern Ireland: ten

III. Festivals in Britain

1. Christmas

- ❖ On December 25, the greatest of the Christian festivals, commemorating the birth of Jesus.
- ❖ It is a home and family festival.
- ❖ Everyone is buying Christmas presents for friends and relations.
- ❖ The home is decorated:
Christmas tree, shining ornaments,
coloured lights and gifts.



- ❖ In the evening, the family have a sumptuous dinner.



- ❖ Children sing Christmas carols.
- ❖ Father Christmas, Santa Claus, gives presents to children.



- ❖ Some may watch TV, or play games or simply talk; some may go to the theater.

**2. Boxing Day: the day after Christmas
(Dec.26th)**



**3. Easter: chief Christian festival in spring
Children get Easter eggs.**

4. Good Friday: the crucifixion of Jesus.

5. Easter Sunday: the resurrection

6. Easter Monday: a public holiday

**7. New Year's Day: more important than
Christmas to Scots. People stay up late at a
party to see the New Year in.**

8. Guy Fawkes' Day: to celebrate a historical event on Nov. 5th.

9. April Fool's Day

10. birthday: personal festival



11. Remembrance Day: Armistice Day

An important patriotic festival on November 11th to remember the millions of people died in the two World Wars.

The End



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