

Happy St. Patrick's Day



What is Saint Patrick's Day?

Saint Patrick is the Irish National Day. It is celebrated on March 17th in Ireland from Dublin to Cork and all over the world (in New York for example). For the occasion, the river in Chicago is dyed green! The Irish wear green and they march in parades, dance the Irish jig and sing Irish songs.



The symbol of Ireland is the shamrock. The shamrock is a small green plant with three leaves. It looks like a four leaf clover, but it only has three leaves, like three hearts joined together.

A leprechaun is a type of fairy in the Irish folklore. He is a shoemaker and he is a funny little elf : he hides gold coins in a pot at the end of a rainbow. If you catch a leprechaun, he will give you his gold!



1) What do you know about Ireland?

FLAG?



NATIONALITY?

2) On the map, place the 2 Irish cities mentioned in the text!

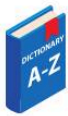
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NATIONAL DAY?

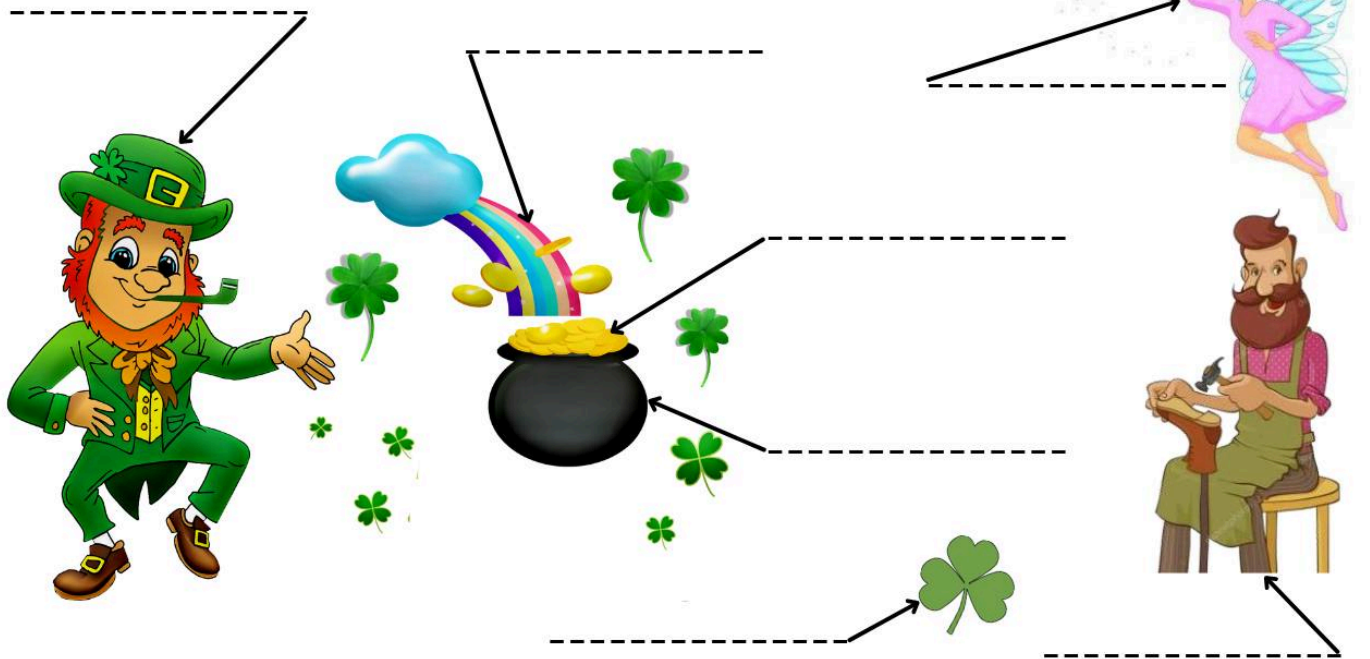
SYMBOL?

TRADITIONAL
COLOUR?





3) Find the vocabulary in the text!



4) Read the text again. All the following sentences are wrong. Correct them :

a) St Patrick's Day is only celebrated in Ireland .

b) For St Patrick's Day people wear yellow clothes.

c) St Patrick's Day is on March 19th.

d) In New York , the river is dyed in green.

5) Read the story about St. Patrick and match the pictures with the text :

A long time ago,
there was a priest
called Patrick.

→ PICTURE --

There were many snakes
in Ireland and the Irish
people were scared of
them.

→ PICTURE --

So, Patrick took a
drum and played it
loudly. All the snakes
went away.

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The Irish people were
so happy that they
called Patrick "a saint".
Today, you can't find
any snakes in Ireland.

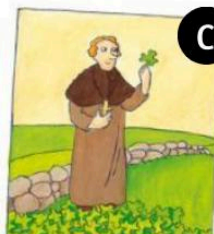
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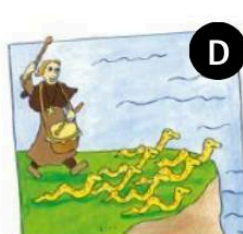
A



B



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