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India's Onam



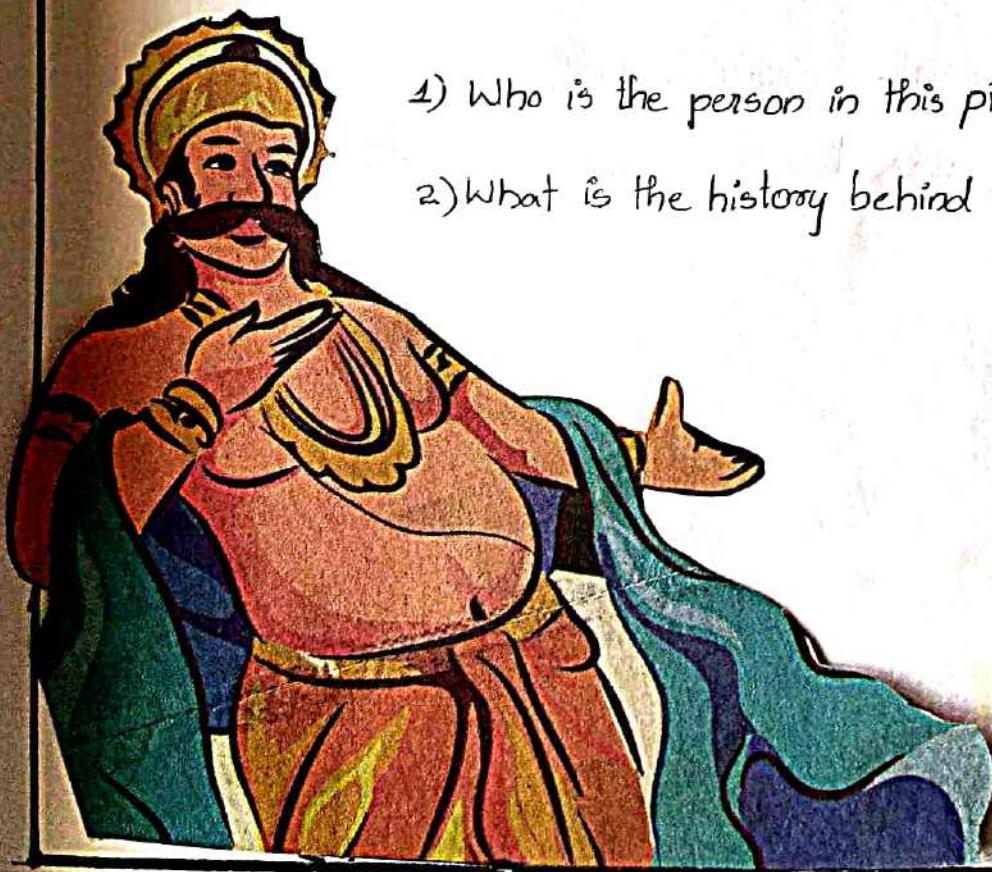
Onam is one of the most important festival of keralites. It is a great celebration for which men, women and children of kerala eagerly looks forward. It is a celebration of the ten days all over kerala with great pomp and show. The days of Onam are celebrated with great energy by entire keralites. The first and tenth days of Onam are most important among them. The ten days of Onam festival are Atham, chithira, Chodhi, Vishakam, Anizham, Thriketa, Moolam, Pooradam, Uthradom.

Onam is celebrated with great enthusiasm and energy in Kerala. It brings happiness and prosperity in Kerala. Even though Onam comes Only Once in a year , it brings a bunch of joy and happiness to Kerala.



ACTIVITY 1

- 1) Who is the person in this picture ?
- 2) What is the history behind this person ?



CHRISTMAS



Christmas is the celebration of joy and happiness all around the world. This is the celebrated on December 25; the birthday of Jesus Christ, who Christians believe is the Son of God. It's both a sacred religious holiday and a world wide cultural and commercial phenomenon.

During Christmas, most of the churches and houses display nativity scenes. They prepares beautiful cribs and decorates it well with Christmas bells, balloons, flowers etc. Christmas tree's

RELIGIOUS HISTORY OF VISHU



According to the Hindu scholars and pundits, the festival of vishu has immediately become a major celebration among the Malayalees by then. It is also strongly believed that vishu festival celebrations grandly began in kerala during the successful reign of the famed Sthanu Ravi who perfectly ruled during AD 844 and 855.

In the Malabar Manual written by William Logan, there is a mention regarding Vishu as follows: "Mathematically Vishu is the new year day. On this day sun rises straight from the East".

According to the Hindu pundits and scholars, "Lord sree krishna killed the demon Narasura on the vishu day. Another interesting myth is related to the demon king Ravana. Ravana had never allowed the sun to rise straight from the East and after Ravana's death it was on a vishu day, that the sun started to rise from the East".

In North India and Northeastern India, vishu is celebrated as Bihu and Baisakhi. In the Southern states of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh this festival is known as Ugadi. It is an age old tradition and custom to view the auspicious objects in the ritualistic manner in the form of vishukkani on the dawn of the day of vishu by the family members. This particular practice is followed very strictly in this festival day. The vishukkani is a symbol of luck and prosperity in the personal and professional life.

SURVIVAL OF MEMORIES

ONAM...

Kerala's biggest festival

People celebrate this festival
with great pleasure

Everywhere filled with happiness, joy and all

There is no Hindu, Muslim and Christian

Everyone is united and celebrate,

But soon, the situation changed

Flood took everything

The lives things and all

The survived ones is there in the rescue camps

There is no Pookkalam

No joy, no happiness, no enthusiasm

This onam people striving to create a new life

A new life, a new kerala

Together without any hatred

Without any backbiting and grudge

With all hope, for a new kerala

A new onam with lot of expectations

CHRISTMAS

ACTIVITY 1

Answer the following Questions.

- 1) When was Jesus born ?
- 2) What are Carols ?
- 3) What is a crib ?

ACTIVITY 2

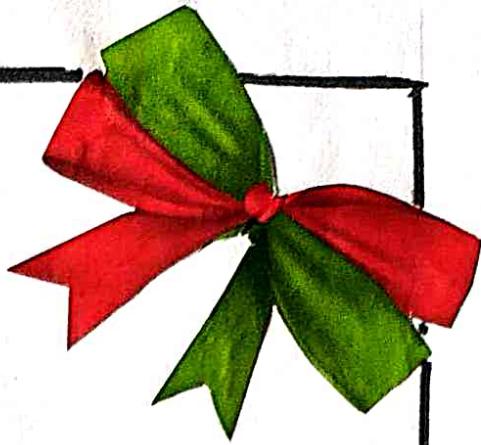
Find out new words related to Christmas.

ACTIVITY 3

Collect various Carol Songs and present it in the class .



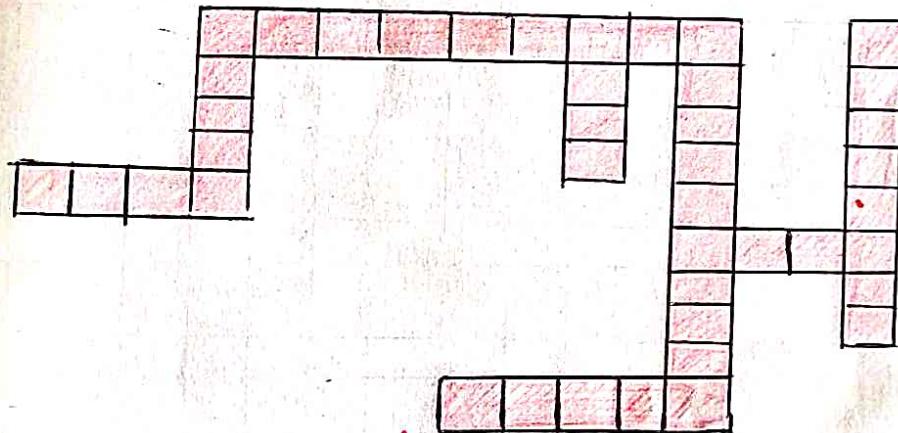
ACTIVITY 1



- 1) Find the poetic device of the poem.
- 2) Find another poem of the same poetic device.
- 3) Write a poem on the same poetic device.

ACTIVITY 2

Find the answers and fill the crossword.



~~Crosses~~ Across

- Speciality of December 25 ?
- What does Santaclause give on carol day ?
- Where was Jesus born ?
- Who's birthday is celebrated as Christmas ?

~~Down~~ -

- What is exchanged during Christmas ?
- Who gave birth to Jesus ?
- Who come with gifts on carol day ?
- On which month was Jesus born ?