

WIRTUALNY ŚWIAT IH

Z początkiem listopada ruszył długo oczekiwany **Wirtualny Sekretariat**. Jako nasz projekt autorski, tworzony krok po kroku pod kątem indywidualnych potrzeb naszych Słuchaczy, stał się integralną częścią naszej InterRzeczywistości. I to bardzo cieszy. Mamy nadzieję, że informacje w nim zawarte są Państwu jako Rodzicom, a także samym naszym Słuchaczom bardzo przydatne. Jeżeli mają Państwo jakieś uwagi związane z jego funkcjonowaniem, pytania czy sugestie co jeszcze powinno się

tam znaleźć – prosimy skorzystać z opcji „Napisz do nas” – wspólnie możemy stworzyć naszą InterRzeczywistość.

Osoby, które jeszcze nie odwiedziły naszego Wirtualnego Sekretariatu, serdecznie do tego zachęcamy. Hasła i loginy każdy Słuchacz dostał przy zapisie na kurs. Jeśli zapomniałeś, zagubiłeś lub po prostu akurat nie masz go przy sobie, skontaktuj się z recepcją w szkole IH – na pewno będziemy mogli ci pomóc.

A zatem – zapraszamy!

CHRISTMAS IN DENMARK

A good few years ago I was invited by my Danish girlfriend to spend Christmas in Denmark. Little did I know it would turn out to be one my best Christmases ever. First of all, along with her brothers, we all set down to making the Christmas decorations out of pieces of holly, small fir tree branches and some red ribbon. Then one day the whole family got in her dad's car to go and get a Christmas tree. There was a tree farm where my girlfriend's brothers ran around looking for the perfect tree. After some argument a tree was selected and we cut it down. When we went to pay for it there was a little kiosk with a guy cooking a huge pot of mulled wine. It was perfect. I usually live in Ireland so it was a novelty for me to see snow. We made a big snowman in the front garden.

The main event for Christmas happens in Denmark on Christmas eve. The whole family got together in one house – immediate family, aunts, uncles and their families and of course grandparents. We all had to stand in a circle surrounding the well decorated Christmas tree in the middle of the living room. Then we had to hold hands. Next we had to dance around the tree singing Christmas carols. The carols were the same tunes as our English carols, but were in Danish. So I had to sing along as well. It was a little embarrassing. Then the line of people holding hands broke in one place and like a snake we walked in and out of every room in the house and also on top of every bed. This was for some sort of good luck.

I definitely recommend spending a Christmas in Denmark sometime.
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Zapraszamy wszystkich naszych słuchaczy do nowego serwisu internetowego. Mamy nadzieję, że nowa szata graficzna oraz układ prezentowanych informacji przypadną Wam do gustu i będziecie nas często odwiedzać.

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CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD



Italy

In ITALY, on the evening of the day after Christmas, children are visited by a good witch named Strega Buffana. She flies around Italy on a broom and leaves treats for good children and coal for naughty children.

It is tradition to give a bag of dried lentils to your good friends to make lentil soup. This is a peasant soup and reminds them of their humble be-

ginnings and is eaten to bring good luck and prosperity in the New Year.

Britain

In BRITAIN, children write their letters to Father Christmas and then throw them into the fireplace so they will float up the chimney and fly to the North Pole. If the lists catch fire first, they have to rewrite them.



At Christmas dinner, a plum pudding is served with little treasures hidden inside that bring their finders good luck. Britain was the first country to hang up mistletoe.

Austria

In AUSTRIA, on December 6, Heiliger Nikolaus (St. Nicholas) rewards good children with sweets, nuts and apples.



On December 24, the Christ Child brings presents and the Christmas tree for the children. The children wait until they hear a bell tinkling. Then they enter a special room where the Christmas tree is waiting all decorated with candles, ornaments and candies. The whole family sings Christmas carols and wishes each other.

