

WEBQUEST

International folk dance festivals in Romania

Introduction

Romania is a country where centuries-old traditions and crafts are strongly rooted in the local culture. A land where traditions and rituals represent not only symbols of identity, but also celebrations of life.

Festivals provide wonderful opportunities for visitors to experience the diversity of the people who make up this country. Discover traditional culture by taking part in the festivals and celebrations.

Aim

To learn more about different traditions and cultures; observing and reading about traditions in Romania and your own country.

To enrich the vocabulary, develop the language skills – reading, speaking and presentation skills in particular.

Task

Form small groups of 3-4 people. Each group has to find information about international folk dance and music festivals in Romania. First study the links below (+ you can search for more on your own). Make a list of the possible events and prepare a PowerPoint presentation (use Google Maps to show location and download pictures related to the events). Select one event that you think is the best and come up with arguments to explain others why it is worth going there.

The following information should be included in your presentation:

- Location and time of the event (use Google Maps to show location)
- Program or some content, if available
- Fees, if it is the case
- Some interesting facts that you would like to add
- The best event selected – bring arguments

Web support:

You should study the following links but you may as well search for additional ones.

<http://romaniatourism.com/festivals-events.html>

<https://eaff.eu/en/festivals/601-36th-international-folklore-dance-festival-carpa-i>

<https://www.eaff.eu/en/festivals/171-international-folklore-festival-folk-friends-together>

<https://theculturetrip.com/europe/romania/articles/the-11-best-traditional-festivals-in-romania/>

<https://rove.me/to/romania/prislop-pass-folk-festival>

<http://true-romania.tours/top-32-romanian-cultural-events-2017-discover-history-traditions/>

<https://www.facebook.com/International-Folk-Dance-Festival-Carpati-497346147094431/>

http://www.cioff.org/events-festival.cfm/en/4636/Romania-Festivalul_international_de_dansuri_folclorice_%2C%2CPLAIURILE_MIORITEI%2C

<http://www.visitmaramures.ro/index.php?task=event&event=Prislop%20Dance&lg=EN>

FACE-TO-FACE MEETING:

Task 1: Presentation

Each team gives a PowerPoint presentation on their work.

Task 2: Whole-group Discussion

Finally, at the end of the presentations discuss within the whole group which event you would attend and why.

Is there one particular event that is the most popular? Why? What does it offer?

Conclusion:

You did extensive research and learned about the folk dance and music festivals in Romania. You experienced the advantages and disadvantages of working together and you had to make common decisions. You have improved your vocabulary, cultural sensitivity and your presentation skills as well. Congratulations!