

USING GOOGLE APPLICATIONS IN TEACHING ENGLISH TO PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

USING GOOGLE APPLICATIONS IN THE PROCESS OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OF PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

USING GOOGLE APPLICATIONS FOR FORMING COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS OF PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

The aim of professional training of FL teachers is not only to teach foreign languages itself but form their professional skills (cognitive, projective, constructive, organizational and communicative).

For making tasks using Google applications you need

Using OK Google.

Using Google Docs.

Using Google Earth and Google Maps.

Using Google Doodles. In general meaning a doodle is a drawing which is made while a person's attention is otherwise occupied. Doodles can have concrete representational meaning or may just be abstract shapes [1]. A Google Doodle is a special, temporary alteration of the logo on Google's homepage that is intended to celebrate holidays, events, achievements and people [2]. Doodles can be in the form of static or animated pictures, interactive games and videos.

Task "Guess the event".

Topic: "Holidays and Traditions".

Procedure:

- look attentively at the screenshots of Google Doodles (some of them are animated, video and interactive) devoted to celebrating different events;
- describe them, think of the way how these doodles could be animated;



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2)



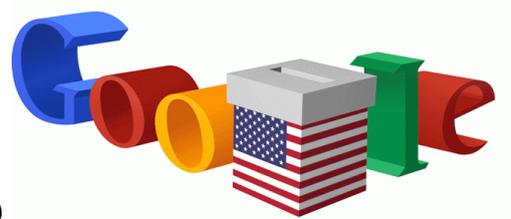
3)



4)



5)



6)

- make your predictions about the events that are shown in the doodles and the countries where they could take place;
- discuss your ideas in pairs;
- follow the links and check your predictions:
 - 1) <https://www.google.com/doodles/ukraine-independence-day-2012>
 - 2) <https://www.google.com/doodles/st-patricks-day-2015>
 - 3) <https://www.google.com/doodles/first-day-of-school-2015-canada>
 - 4) <https://www.google.com/doodles/christopher-wrens-382nd-birthday>
 - 5) <https://www.google.com/doodles/la-tomatina-70th-anniversary>
 - 6) <https://www.google.com/doodles/us-elections-2014>
- split into four groups;
- find some more Google Doodles connected with the important events, holidays or traditions in Ukraine and English-speaking countries.

References:

- 1) Doodle [Электронный ресурс]. – Режим доступа:
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Doodle>
- 2) Google Doodle [Электронный ресурс]. – Режим доступа:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Google_Doodle
- 3)

<https://www.google.com/doodles/first-day-of-school-2015-canada>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/us-elections-2014>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/fourth-of-july-2014>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/world-cup-2014-final>

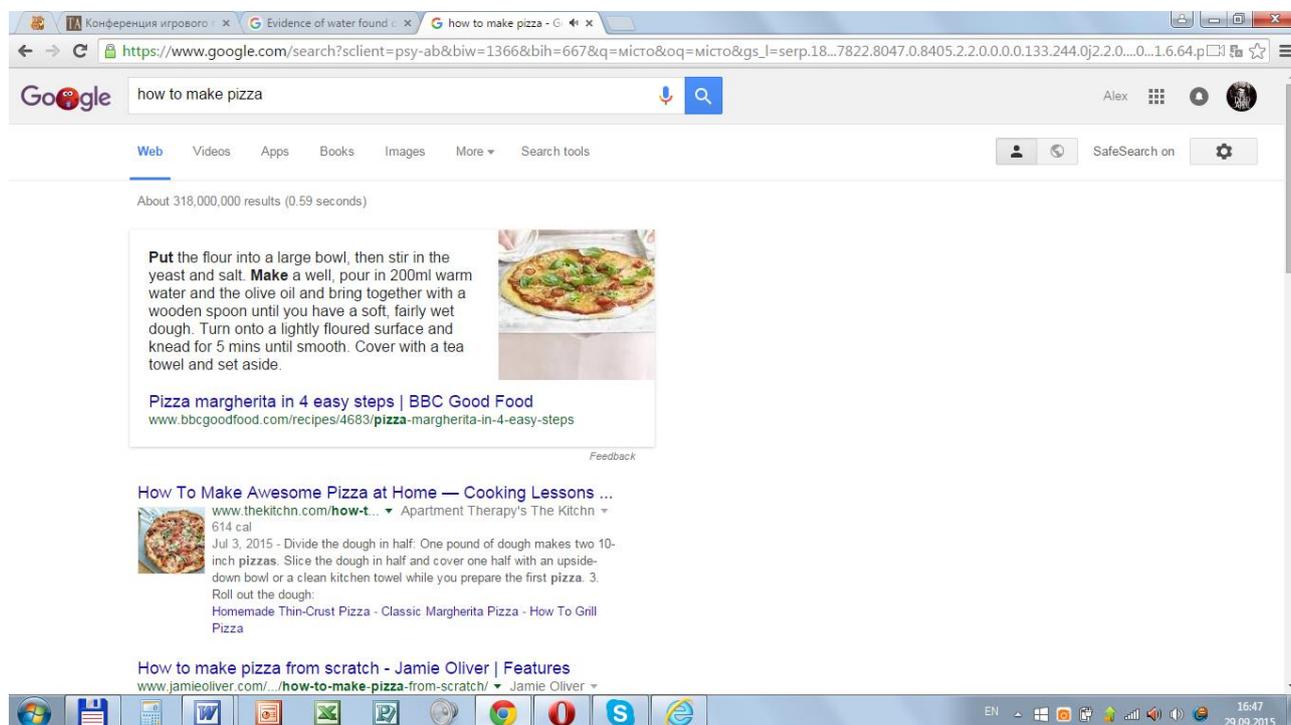
<https://www.google.com/doodles/first-day-of-autumn-2014>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/valentines-day-2014-us>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/thanksgiving-2011>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/teachers-day-2012>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/evidence-of-water-found-on-mars>

The first Google Doodles appeared in 1998, and they were just simple static pictures. In 2010 the first animated doodle appeared, and later

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<http://www.greenbot.com/article/2359684/system-software/a-list-of-all-the-ok-google-voice-commands.html>
<https://www.google.com/edu/resources/programs/google-teacher-academy/>

Here is the key to the task: 1) Independence Day (Ukraine); 2) St. Patrick's Day (Ireland); 3) First Day of School (Canada); 4) Christopher Wren's Birthday (Great Britain); 5) La Tomatina (Spain); 6) Elections (the USA)



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<https://www.google.com/doodles/maria-zankovetskias-160th-birthday>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/ukraine-independence-day-2014>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/ukraine-independence-day-2013>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/jules-vernes-183rd-birthday>
<https://www.google.com/doodles/la-tomatina-70th-anniversary>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/summer-solstice-2015-northern-hemisphere>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/st-patricks-day-2015>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/eurovision-song-contest-2015-final>

<https://www.google.com/doodles/les-pauls-96th-birthday>