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# Happy new year ! Merry christmas !



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# My native land



There are many famous people from the Ural region whose contribution has been directed into our country's wealth. I would like to tell you about a veteran of the Great Patriotic War, Pyotr Filippovich Ushakov.



Pyotr Filippovich Ushakov was born on September 25, 1925 in Sysert. After graduating from the 7th grade of school № 14 in 1940, Pyotr got a job in the cooperative carpentry artel «Red jointer». There they made wooden furniture. With the beginning of the Great Patriotic War, they

## Famous Contemporaries from the Urals

began to work for the front – they prepared wooden containers, boxes for shells, grenades, and mines. At first, Peter was a carpenter's apprentice, three months later he became a carpenter. Then for his conscientious attitude to work, he was promoted to deputy chairman of the artel, an equipment engineer.

In December 1942, he was drafted into service and sent to study at the Cherkassk Infantry School, and moved to Sverdlovsk, where he studied for 6 months. In June 1943, the underachieving cadets were sent to the front.

Pyotr Filippovich fought in the Second Cavalry Corps (under the command of Major General L. M. Dovator) in a tank assault as a submachine gunner, starting the war near the city of Kozelsk, Kaluga Region. He was later transferred to the 35th Separate Heavy Machine Gun Division. He was repeatedly wounded, but each time, having recovered, he again went to the front line. Pyotr Filippovich traveled military

roads through Kursk, Belgorod, Bryansk, all of Belarus, Poland, Königsberg (Prussia), and reached Berlin.

The war ended for him on the German-Danish border in May 1945, but his service continued. He built military camps in Germany, and trained soldiers. He returned home in March 1948.

He was awarded two medals «For Courage», the medals «For the Capture of Königsberg», «For the Capture of Berlin», «For the Liberation of Warsaw» and others. He got six grateful letters from Supreme Commander-in-Chief I.V. Stalin.

We admire and are proud of our famous countryman.

*Denis Chuvanev, 11A*



# My native land

## *We love Sysert! An excursion around our native town*



On November 13, the pupils of the 2 «A» class and their teacher and parents took a walking tour around the historical sites of Sysert. The tour was conducted by Alexander Savichev, a wonderful guide, an architect, and a local historian.

We visited the dam of the Sysert plant and tried to turn the mechanism «with the steering wheel».

Then we made a stop at the Temple of Simeon the God-Receiver and Anna the Prophetess and the monument to Alexei Turchaninov, the factory owner and patron of the city.

During the excursion, we learned a lot of new and interesting things about our native town and its history. We found out that two centuries ago Sysert was a very rich town. There were greenhouses with pineapples, and unusual plants were grown in the botanical garden. Alexander Savichev is a wonderful story-teller! All the children and adults listened to him with great interest. Then our guide was asked many questions.



Sysert is a very beautiful and interesting place!

The children and parents liked the tour very much. We are grateful to Alexander Savichev for such an interesting excursion.

*Galina A. Stepanova*



# School life

## *At the lesson*



Medieval theater in the History lesson performed by students of 6 «B» and 6 «D» grades

## *Mathematics is the queen of all the sciences.*

*Carl Gauss*



In the Maths lessons, the pupils of the 4 «A» grade and their teacher Natalia Sergeevna Sedinkina do the sums, solve difficult mathematical problems and take an active part in mathematical contests.



<https://youtu.be/r3vqjHioqE4>

## "Leader of the 21st century"



On December 18, the Center for Extracurricular Activities of Sysert held a contest «Leader of the 21st century».

Children from schools of Sysertsy district okrug competed in two age categories: 8-9 grades and 10-11 grades. The guys presented their visiting cards and portfolios, and demonstrated their skills of public speaking.

Our schoolmate Ulyana Knyazeva, 9B, took 2nd place.

Well done!



## All-Russia Schoolchildren's Olympiad

Students of the 7-10th grades swept honors at the municipal stage of the All-the-Russia Olympiad in different school subjects: Biology, Literature, Social science, English, German, Physical Education. The best students will take part in the regional stage of the Olympiad.

### English

Chuvanev Denis, 11A

### Mathematics

Bibikov Maxim, 7A  
Kulakov Vasily, 7B  
Kormishin Fedor, 6A

### Biology

Nikitenko Alexandra, 9A  
Trofimova Anastasia, 9C

### Russian

Fedotenko Ivan, 8D  
Kucheryavaya Maria, 8D  
Vokorchuk Artem, 7B  
Nikitenko Alexandra, 9A

### Social studies

Solomein Artem, 8D  
Dengovsky Kirill, 8A  
Matveeva Arina, 8D  
Permyakova Polina, 8D

### Literature

Matveeva Arina, 8D  
Akulinichev Alexander, 8D  
Rogozhina Sophia, 10A  
Bayankina Valeria, 10A  
Kormishina Olesya, 11A  
Mukhametchina Alina, 11A

### Physical Education

Drozdov Stepan, 9B  
Bibikov Maxim, 7A





# School life



**A single thread from everyone -  
and there's a shirt for a naked one** (*English proverb*)



Volunteers from the Sysert city district collect food for the Animal shelter.

In the village of Oktyabrsky, not far from Sysert, there is a shelter for dogs and cats caught from the streets. Now there are over 100 dogs and cats there! They live in the shelter temporarily.



They are fed and, if possible, sterilized and treated. There are a lot of animals that do not have a home. Such a large number of animals needs food. So, we decided to support Sysert volunteers and gather food for the Animal shelter in Oktyabrsky.



Children and their parents brought cereals, pasta, dry and liquid food for dogs and cats to school and put them in special boxes.

The teachers supported the children in this important good deed too. Together we are a big friendly team!



For two weeks, all the students of our school gathered waste paper. Relatives and teachers helped them. Everyone found some old newspapers, magazines, cardboard boxes at home and brought them to school for further recycling.

## Help our planet! Save the trees!

The winners of the competition were pupils of the 6 «А» class, who brought 164 kg of waste paper. Primary school pupils brought 137 kg of waste paper. The family of the sixth-grader Alisa Lisochenko won the individual competition among all the pupils of the school.

In total, the children collected more than a ton of waste paper, which they have already weighed and taken away for recycling. Together we do a great job! We help our planet and save the forests.

*Alesya S. Kazakova*





## School week "Security Academy"



In order to promote road safety, prevent child road traffic injuries, and form a respectful attitude towards personal safety and health, a thematic week "Security Academy" was held among primary school students.

Various contests and competitions were organized:

Contest of crafts "Road signs around us", Drawing contest "Dangers around us", Essay contest "I follow the rules of the road", Intellectuals' contest "We know everything about safety", and crosswords, riddles, and puzzles about traffic rules. Cartoons were viewed: "Fire

in the apartment", "Fire in the forest", "Rules of conduct in case of fire", "Fire safety". "How to behave in the street", and "Road safety". Conversations were held on the topics "Traffic safety rules", "How to behave in the street so as not to get into trouble", "Home alone", and "Dangerous objects at home".

All the pupils took an active part in the contests. They drew pictures, made crafts, and wrote essays on how to comply with the rules of the road. The winners of the contests were awarded with Honorary Diplomas.

*Larissa N. Ivanova*

## We like reading and drawing!



Samuil Yakovlevich Marshak is a famous Russian poet who wrote many poems and fairy tales for children.

Pupils from the 1st "G" class are happy to read his wonderful books in literary reading lessons, decorate fairy-tale characters, and share their knowledge of the fairy tales

they have read. Together with their teacher Galina Viktorovna, the children went to the Sysert District Library, where they took part in an intellectual game. Well done!



On the eve of the New Year holidays, the activists of our school held Art lessons at the elementary school. Under the guidance of seventh-graders, primary school children made holiday cards as a gift for their beloved parents.





# We love sport!

## Young footballers from Sysert became champions of Russia!

On November 1-4, the All-Russia Championship of the Children's Amateur Football League among six teams of young football players born in 2006 was held in Sochi.



The team of the winners was represented by three pupils of the Sysert FC «Alpha»: Kirill Gazizov, Maxim Malov, and Kirill Proskuryakov. They are students of the 9<sup>th</sup> form of our school. The coach of the team is Nikolai Malikov.



*The best goalkeeper of the tournament and his coach*

The panel of judges recognized Kirill Proskuryakov as the best goalkeeper of the tournament.

**We congratulate our guys on such a fantastic achievement in sports!**



Our basketball team is the best again! The guys won all the games in the Sysert Championship.

Our heroes:  
Kotov Mark  
Ermolaev Egor  
Davlatov Andrey  
Shirkov Vsevolod  
Lonin Ivan  
Petukhov Egor  
Varankin Denis  
Shapkin Maxim



**We are proud of our sportsmen!!**



## synchronized swimming is so beautiful!



In November, our schoolmates Valeria Kovina and Maria Porunova took part in the International Synchronized Swimming Tournament in Moscow. They performed in the program with a duet and took third place. They were awarded medals by two-time Olympic champion in synchronized swimming Maria Shurochkina and five-time world champion Darina Valitova.

water skills, great strength, endurance, flexibility, grace, and artistry. Synchronized swimming is both an individual and team sport. Swimmers compete individually during figures, and then as a team during the routine. Figures are made up of a combination of skills and positions that often require control, strength, and flexibility. Swimmers are ranked individually for this part of the competition. The routine involves teamwork and synchronisation. It is choreographed to music and often has a theme.



Synchronised swimming or artistic swimming is a hybrid form of cheerleading, swimming dance, and gymnastics, consisting of swimmers performing a synchronized routine (either free/tech solo, free/tech duet, trio, mixed duet, free/tech team, or free combination) of elaborate moves in the water, accompanied by music. Synchronised swimming demands advanced



Valeria and Maria are engaged in synchronized swimming for the second year. Trainings is

held at the sports and recreation complex «Admiral» in Sysert. Trainer and mentor - Alexander Sergeevich Novoselov. Choreography and general physical training takes place at the Limpopo Water Park in Yekaterinburg. Coaches Vyacheslav Novoselov and Evgeny Novoselov are active athletes. They are members of Russia's National Team. Senior coach Varvara Sergeevna Bannikova is master of sports in synchronized swimming, multiple winner of All-Russia

tournaments.

Our athletes have good physical fitness, and previously they were engaged in rhythmic gymnastics for several years. To improve their skills synchronized swimmers go to training camps during spring and autumn holidays. Trainings at the camp is held 3 times a day.

Valeria and Maria took part in the «Dolphin» tournament in Yekaterinburg.

**We wish Valeria and Maria new victories!!**



# Let's celebrate!



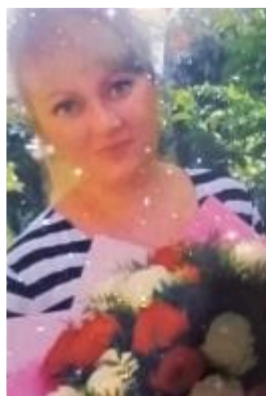
My closest and dearest person is my mother. Her name is Oksana. My mom is very purposeful person. If she sets a goal, she will definitely achieve it. She likes not only order but also justice. She is very kind and sweet. She always supports and helps me in any situation. She enjoys my achievements and successes, especially in the field of digital painting. My mother is very beautiful. She is short with beautiful blue-green eyes, short blonde hair and a beautiful figure. To be in good shape, she goes to the fitness club four times a week. She also eats healthy food. My mom and I really love to spend time together, so we have a lot of hobbies. The most important and favorite one is downhill skiing. In winter, we spend most of our free time on the mountain slopes. I am incredibly proud of my mother, and I love to spend time with her. My mom is the best!!

***Anna Rozhkova, 10A***



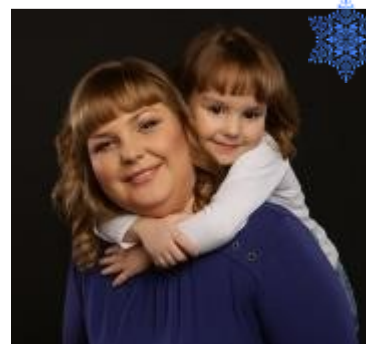
My mother's name is Nadezda. She's so beautiful. She's got green eyes and dark hair. My mother takes care of me. She always helps me with my homework. We like to read, walk and watch TV together. My mum cooks very delicious food. I love my mother very much.

***Roman Pyzyanov, 4A***



My mom's name is Yana. She is 34 years old. My mother is kind, loving, and affectionate. She is very beautiful! My mom is tall. She is 174 centimetres high. She is slim. My mom has got big green eyes with thick black eyelashes.

***Veronika Vorozheva, 6A***



My mother's name is Elena. She's a housewife. She does all the housework. My mother likes cooking, and she does it perfectly. She is very kind and clever. She's the best mother ever! I love her very much!

***Varvara Tsipileva, 5A***



My mother's name is Anna Ivanovna. She was born in Yekaterinburg. She is 37 years old. She likes cooking, listening to rock music, and watching fireworks.

My mom is very beautiful and smart. She has got brown hair and green eyes. She works as a teacher at Cadet School.

She is kind. I love my mom!

***Egor Sidorov, 6A***



# Happy Mother's Day!



This is my mother.  
Her name is Anna.  
She is a teacher.  
She is very kind  
and beautiful.

I love my mum!

**Beloborodov  
Misha, 2A**

My mom is the best  
mom in the world!  
Her name is Eugenia.  
She is very kind,  
beautiful, and sweet.  
She always supports  
and helps me. I love  
her very much!

**Timofhey Bykov, 3C**



This is my mum. Her  
name is Julia. She is  
beautiful and kind.  
She has got black hair  
and brown eyes. I love  
my mum!

**Sasha Kostareva, 3C**



I want to tell you about  
my mom. She is 43  
years old. She is a  
housewife. My mom is  
very kind. She helps me  
in everything. My mom  
is tall. She has got grey  
eyes and blonde hair.  
She loves sportswear and  
jeans. She likes to go  
for a walk in the forest.

Her hobby is  
crocheting.  
Her favorite  
animals are  
cats. My  
mom has a  
sweet tooth.



She knows how to cook  
well and always cleans  
the house. I love her  
very much.

**Mark Nikitin, 6G**



My grandmother's name  
is Valentina. She was born  
in 1956 in Sysert. Her  
birthday is on the 30<sup>th</sup> of

October. She worked as a  
salesperson. Now my  
grandma is a pensioner  
but she is still working.  
She loves to grow flowers.  
My grandma cooks very  
tasty food. We love her  
pancakes and pies. We  
spend a lot of time togeth-  
er. I love my granny!

**Kostya Vyatkin, 5C**

## Happy Mother's Day



Mom... The very first and  
dearest word for each of us.  
Mom is tenderness, kindness,  
love, a sense of peace and  
family comfort. Mom's hands  
smell like spring flowers...  
My mom is the best. Her name  
is Julia. She is 37 years old.  
She works as a kindergarten  
teacher. She has a strict  
character and can scold me if I  
do something wrong.

But she also is very kind! In  
my childhood she used to read  
me bedtime fairy tales.

My mom always understands  
and helps me.

My dear mummy, I love you  
very much!

**Daria Grigorieva, 6A**

<https://youtu.be/PaXMC2mEVSE>



# Let's celebrate!

## We wish you a Merry Christmas

### Christmas in England and Russia



**In England Christmas** is the most important family holiday. It is celebrated on the 25th of December.

For a long time, there has been a tradition to decorate the house with a mistletoe branch. They say that the mistletoe brings happiness. There is a belief that this plant protects the house from penetration of evil spirits and powers of darkness. Also, once a year on Christmas Eve, men get the right to kiss any girl who will stop under the mistletoe.

On the door of any house hangs a woven garland. It is a symbol of happiness and well-being.

The symbol of Christmas is a lit candle. A log was the predecessor of the candle. In ancient times a Christmas tree was cut and all year it dried. For the following Christmas it was burned in the hearth. If the log died away, the house would be in trouble.

The traditional meal for Christmas consists of roast turkey with cranberry sauce, served with roast potatoes and parsnips and other vegetables, followed by Christmas pudding, a heavy steamed pudding made with dried fruit, suet, and very little flour.

In England there is a custom to put gifts in a Christmas sock. According to the fairy tale the Christmas grandfather travelled by air and got into houses through a chimney. He visited one house and dropped gold coins into a sock which dried over the hearth. Since that time children began to hang out socks or stockings for a gift.

Christmas presents are very seriously things for the British. People give useful and expected things. The Christmas card in England is a tradition too.

On Christmas Eve the Queen of Great Britain delivers an annual

speech in honor of the holiday.

**In Russia Christmas** is celebrated at night on the 7th of January. The day before Christmas is called Christmas Eve which is the last day of a strict fasting. On Christmas Eve it is traditional to knock on people's doors, sing carols and collect gifts.

Some people don't eat anything on Christmas Eve, until the first star has appeared in the sky. Then people eat 'sochivo' or 'kutia', porridge made from wheat or rice served with honey, poppy seeds, fruit, chopped walnuts.

In ancient times, Christmas gifts were made with your own hands, nowadays people buy a small souvenir.

On Christmas Eve at night there are church services and all Orthodox Christians go to the temple.





# Let's celebrate!

## and a Happy New Year !



### Christmas in my family



I guess, everyone likes to celebrate Christmas and the New Year. But, as for me, these events are my favorite feasts. Every year Christmas mood comes to me in October, when the first snow comes. Since that moment I ask my parents to decorate our flat for Christmas, but they say that it is too early and I get upset. To improve my mood, I listen to Christmas music. My

favorite song is "Let it snow".

When it is finally the middle of December, we start to prepare for the New Year and Christmas. My dad brings our Christmas tree from my grandparents' house and we decorate it with all my family. I really like our Christmas tree! It's adorable! As for preparing, we also have a day to tidy our home and to cook a lot of tasty food, because our tradition is to celebrate Christmas and the New Year in our flat and invite all our friends and relatives.

On New Year's Eve we have a big party. We always dance a lot and eat tons of delicious food. But my favorite part of the holiday begins after the New Year's

Midnight. We make wishes for the coming year and go to the balcony together to watch fireworks. And then, we go to the living room, where the Christmas tree is located, and we and all of our guests open our presents. I always like to see the presents of other people, I mean the presents which are not mine, because for me it's very exciting. Our celebration always ends at 6 a.m. When all guests have left our party, we go to bed and in the morning, we are full of energy to spend the new year well!

*Elizaveta Yatsenko, 9C*



# Travelling around the world



## *The Saranac River* *Part II*

*This article is the second of four that look at the Saranac River in northern New York State. It covers the river's middle section, represented here by its passage through the Town of Saranac.*

I'll begin by defining five words: county, town, city, village, and hamlet. The State of New York uses this set of words to name the places where its residents live, and the words may have slightly different definitions in other states. All of the land in the state is divided into 63 counties, and each of the counties is divided into towns and cities. This means that every resident of the state lives in either a town or a city. The word 'village' is also used to name places where people live. A village is part of a town, but not all of the land in a town is divided into villages. Some towns contain only one village,

and some contain none. Finally, a hamlet is a small community within a town. Hamlets are too small to provide their own essential services such as schools, water, and snow plowing, so the town provides those services for them

The **Town of Saranac** is part of Clinton County. The Saranac River, which flows through the southern section of the town, passes through several of the town's hamlets. These are, from west to east, Clayburg, Redford, Moffitsville, and Saranac (i.e. the Hamlet of Saranac is part of the Town of Saranac).

You're probably thinking that there are too many Saranacs. Let's review to help avoid confusion: the Saranac River begins at Upper Saranac Lake, passes through the Village of Saranac Lake, and then flows north where it passes through the Town of Saranac and the Hamlet of Saranac. You may also be wondering what the word 'saranac' means. You're not alone - almost nobody in New York knows what it means. I did some research and discovered that it's an Abenaki word that means 'sumac trees river' (the Abenaki are a Native American tribe).



*junction with the North Branch Saranac River*

These rapids are in the Hamlet of Redford. As you can see, they are relatively difficult to navigate and should only be run by kayaks, i.e. no open boats such as canoes. The story of how Redford got its name is interesting. Early settlers discovered that the river is very shallow in this area so they picked a location (but not the rapids!) to use as a ford [брод]. There were reddish cobbles on the river bed so they named the crossing 'red ford'.

This picture looks eastward from the Silver Lake Road bridge in the Hamlet of Clayburg. The North Branch Saranac River, which flows under the bridge, is the Saranac's largest tributary. The confluence of these rivers is known as a good place for fishing. The Saranac, seen at the back of the picture, is rated Class I (Easy) at this location, i.e. it's easy for canoers and kayakers to paddle on the river. This and the article's other ratings use the International Scale of River Difficulty.



*Class III+ (Intermediate) rapids*



# Travelling around the world



*west side of High Falls Dam*



*High Falls hydroelectric plant inlet*

This picture shows the entrance to the tunnel and penstock (a kind of pipe) that carry water 0.9 miles [1.45 km] to the NYSEG plant. The gate is located on the High Falls Dam pond, about 0.14 miles [0.23 km] east of the dam. It sits at the end of an 800-ft [243.8-m] long canal and is not visible from the dam.



*High Falls Gorge waterfall*

High Falls must have been the most impressive waterfall on the river before they built the dam. The dam is 63 ft [19.2 m] high and 274 ft [83.5 m] wide. It was designed to create a large pond capable of supplying water to the NYSEG (New York State Electric & Gas Company) hydroelectric plant downstream.



*east side of High Falls Dam*



*High Falls Gorge*

This picture shows the top half of the mini-gorge that's just downstream from the dam. The rapids here are rated Class V (Expert) to Class VI (Extreme and Exploratory). They are very dangerous and should only be attempted during times of high water by expert kayakers after careful study and planning. Perhaps not even by them!

This scenic waterfall is at the southern end of the gorge, about a third of a mile [0.54 km] below the dam. Its height is the main reason these rapids are so dangerous - I wouldn't want to go over the edge in a kayak! The river is relatively flat from this point to the NYSEG plant some 0.8 miles [1.29 km] downstream.



# Travelling around the world



*True Brook*

This is where the water that passed through the tunnel/penstock reenters the river. The NYSEG plant contains three hydroelectric generators. The river level here, approximately 1.25 miles [2.01 km] downstream from the dam, is some 200 feet [61 m] lower than the dam's pond. This difference in elevation imparts a lot of energy, via gravity, to the water. That energy is used to spin the generators' rotors, thereby generating electricity.



*onward to Plattsburgh*

True Brook is another of the Saranac's large tributaries. This picture shows the brook flowing under the NY 3 (New York State Route 3) bridge in the Hamlet of Moffitsville, with the Saranac River in the background. True Brook is also a good place to fish. It has many large boulders that provide lots of hiding places for trout.



*High Falls hydroelectric plant outlet*

This picture looks eastward from the Hardscrabble Road bridge in the Hamlet of Saranac. It's about 22.5 miles [36.21 km] from the bridge to Lake Champlain. The river here is relatively easy going for canoers and kayakers, but there will be plenty more obstacles once you reach Plattsburgh.

The Town of Plattsburgh and City of Plattsburgh are the subjects of the final two articles in this series.

***Bruce Bertrand,  
Lake Placid, USA  
Photos by the author***

## Why do people travel?





## The old should learn from the young

There is an opinion that old people should learn from the younger generation, follow their trends and fashion. It helps them to adapt in the modern world and live more comfortably. Let's explore it in details.

First of all, such an opinion is connected with information technologies. We teach our parents and grandparents to use smartphones and computers for more conveniently getting information, making payments, etc. Moreover, the internet is a great time killer for them! Secondly, it's connected with trends of the younger generation. It helps old people to communicate with the world better, not to be the black sheep in society. All these facts mean that the old people need to learn from the young.

But there is another opinion. Some people think that old people have more life experience, so they should share it with the younger generation. Of course, they are right, there should be a balance of sharing knowledge between the generations, but not only old people should be teachers. The same can be said about young people.

In conclusion, I would like to say that the old should learn from the young, but the young should learn from the old too. I think, only in the case of reaching a balance generations' conflicts will decrease.

*Vladislav Surin, 11A*



Nowadays, there are different opinions about if the old should learn from the young. Some people believe that the older generation is always right and its opinion is more important. But other people have another point of view. Who is right?

I believe that there cannot be one truth. On the one hand, the younger generation is unexperienced and knows little about life. On the other hand, it is modern and always keeps track of changes in the world. Young people are well versed in technology, digital technologies. They try to learn new information and always are in the center of interesting events. The younger generation can help the older one in many things. But at the same time, it should not be rude.

However, there exists another point of view on this issue. The older people are absolutely always right. They have seen a lot in their lives and what they have experienced will happen to others. They have their own personal point of view and see nothing but their own truth. Another fact is that older people can't teach young people anything because many of them don't know anything about the modern world.

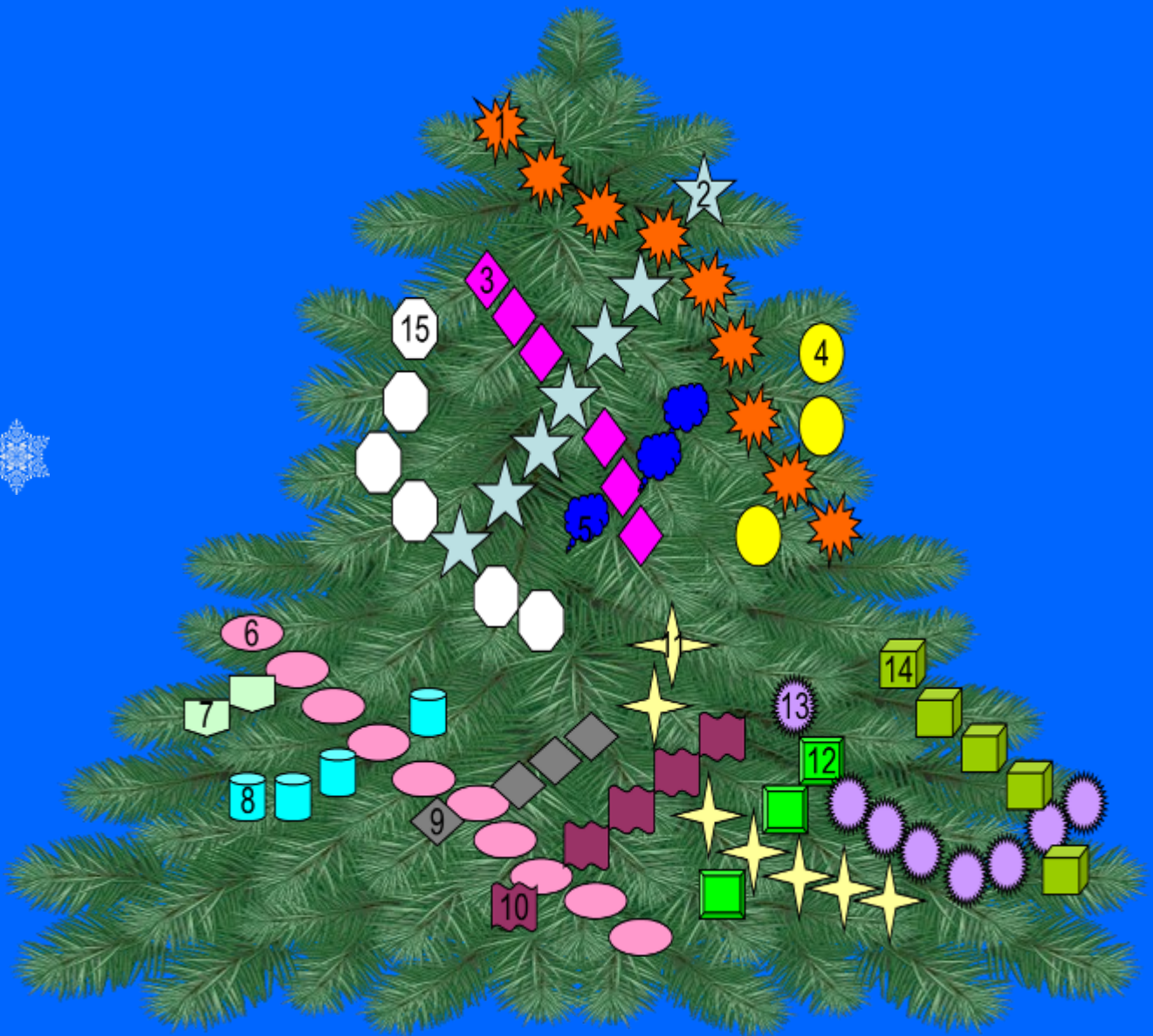
Nevertheless, I can't agree with this statement. There are different people among the older and younger generations. Some from the young can be wise and teach something new and important to their parents and teachers. The older people can often give valuable advice.

It is important to understand that sometimes the older can learn something from the young.

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# Christmas crossword puzzle



1. The most important holiday in Britain is.....
2. At ..... we wish each other a happy New Year and make a wish and then exchange gifts.
3. Christmas day is the greatest .....
4. There is usually a silver ..... on the top of the Christmas tree.
5. People send Christmas ..... to relatives and friends.
6. Holly is a well-known Christmas ..... today in America.
7. Some families open their presents on Christmas ....., December 24<sup>th</sup>.
8. People walk from house to house and sing Christmas .....
9. All children wait for Santa ....
10. Silver bells, ..... and sparkling lights hang on the branches of the Christmas tree.
11. Family members put their .... under the Christmas tree.
12. People decorate a Christmas ....
13. Children hang socks, called Christmas .....
14. Santa Claus comes in .....
15. People in the US and Canada decorate their homes with Christmas trees, ..... and ornaments.