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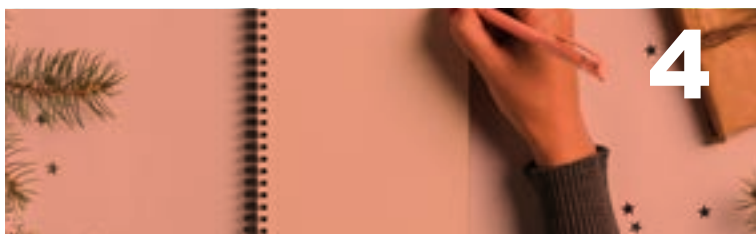
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1 VALLADOLID AND OUR SCHOOL



The IES Pinar de la Rubia is currently a Secondary Education Institute, with a long and prestigious forty-year tradition, located between the Camino Viejo de Simancas and the Paseo Zorrilla de Valladolid.

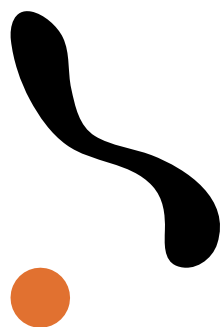
The IES Pinar de la Rubia educates, fundamentally, students from the area framed between the Plaza de Toros, the Hanging Bridge and the Pisuerga on the one hand and Puente Duero, Villanueva and Valdestillas and Simancas on the other.





We are a group of students of IES Pinar de la Rubia, a school located in the south of Valladolid, a city of Spain. We go to class from Monday to Friday six hours a day and during the weekdays we never go out, but we practise sports, and we have time to hang out with friends on the weekends. Most of us live in the city outskirts so we usually hang out in the city centre, of course. It is the most beautiful and popular place in the city, and it has lots of facilities to enjoy ourselves, although we usually meet at shopping centres. This time of year, Valladolid is cold, in fact there is a saying which says, “nine months of winter, three months of hell”. In the afternoons we often have a snack in a bar. But if we go out up to late at night, we usually go to one of the many discos in Valladolid to have fun dancing with friends. Summer has more options to do different things, but right now we’d better stay at home due to the Covid-19.

ABOUT US





We would have liked you to know our city but due to the pandemic we are glad to have the chance to be in touch with you through WhatsApp and through this digital magazine we will know other cultures as well as improving our English level. We appreciate to be part of the Erasmus Programme; it is the most interesting and important project we are carrying out at school. One of the reasons is because we have the opportunity to meet new people from other countries, learning their customs and culture, you can make new friends too, and mainly we can learn and improve our level of English.

Erasmus lets us eliminate stereotypes from other countries, we can contribute to help the economy improve and the experience is useful to mature as persons. Not all the schools have this possibility, so we must take advantage of it and learn as much as we can. We hope you will be able visit us and our city in the future.

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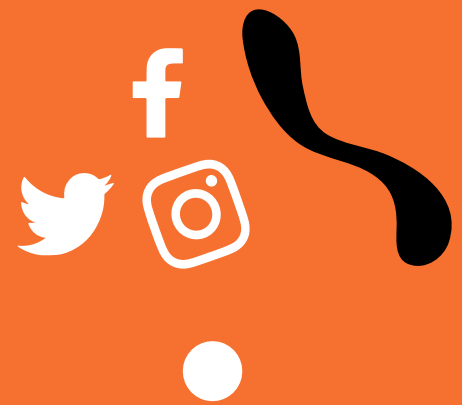
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Economics Video with subtitles.



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3 SOCIAL MEDIA



The digital divide, is society fractured by technology?



Author:
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To put ourselves in situation, the digital divide is an inequality against the possibility of accessing to internet, this affects a large proportion of people on the planet, especially on less developed continents such as Africa, according to data recorded this year, only 40% of Africans have lived connected, while in Europe or North America more than 90% of the population has lived connected. Previously it was thought that the digital divide was going to be something temporary, but even with the massive sale of technological devices has not managed to stop this fracture. The digital divide causes more impact in areas of poverty and social exclusion due to their poor access;

this means that this group of people is totally uncommunicated, a clear example of the consequences of the digital divide has been experienced during this 2020 due to the pandemic, in the education sector, many teachers and students have had to stop working because they didn't have access to the new technologies.

The UN is currently trying to set up various measures to reduce this digital divide, such as literacy programs that will help less-favored areas to have access to internet. The UN has also proposed an Alliance for an Affordable Internet (A4AI), a project aimed at lowering the costs of technological devices, internet access... in those poor areas.

In conclusion, I believe that in the future this digital divide will end up disappearing due to these measures that are being considered, it is true that the crisis experienced this year has had a big social impact on the digital divide and that it has probably retarded possible advances that would be coming in a close future.

Social Media



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Over the years and especially in the latter, the use of social networks has increased and no longer only the number of people, but are increasingly being used from younger ages.

It is true that the creation of social networks has allowed the development of communication and other areas, but there are other aspects where they have not been favorable.

In the 21st century we come across a society freed by social networks, everything that happens in your life has to be known by those followers of your accounts, you have to be continuously aware of the platform or you even stop paying attention to what is around you and immerse yourself in your own reality.

Social media is a world out of reality where people can create the life of their dreams and live off the deception of others, where yes, you can feel loved and admired but that feeling only lasts the moments when you have your eyes on the screen.

With the use of social networks we are less protected and those who want to know about our lives, can do it with a simple click. One thing we don't realize is how dangerous they can be if they're not used with awareness and as any wrong step can end up in something undesirable.

In conclusion, social media has made many things easier for us and helped us in other aspects, but you have to know how to use them with your head and be sure that the world around you is much better than the one on a screen.

Between privacy and public exposure



Author:
Daniel Martín

Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Tik Tok, Snapchat, who doesn't know any of this application that are considered as a little devil inside our phones by many experts.

One of the most debated and argued topics for discussion by families and friends are social media. These apps composed by a group of users can be beneficial if they are used with a good but if they are used with a certain wickedness, they can cause several social and psychological problems.

The main advantages of social networks are related to the informative field, since they are a constantly renewed information channel; with respect to leisure, social media let us have fun and disconnect; from our workplace and also learn. And finally, social media is a form of instant communication.

Among all these advantages there are also several negative points that are usually hidden.

An excessive use of social networks causes a large part of the population to be completely isolated from the world around them, this leads many young people to create a completely false parallel life only to be able to get more followers, and when they don't get them, people can come to despise themselves or suffer from mental illnesses.

They can also cause addiction due to abusive and uncontrolled use, in these cases symptoms such as depression, restlessness, anxiety may arise.

4 CHRISTMAS IS COMING



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THE MOST FAMOUS SPANISH CHRISTMAS DESSERTS

The background of the image is a light blue, textured surface, possibly a tablecloth or paper, with a mottled, marbled appearance. Scattered across this surface are several whole almonds and several pieces of white nougat. The nougat pieces are irregularly shaped and contain several almonds embedded within them. The overall composition is clean and festive, typical of a holiday-themed food advertisement.

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A Christmas recipe



Author:
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Christmas is a time for being together, but here, in Spain it is also a time spent eating together with people you love.

Homes are full of desserts and sweets, one of the most famous is nougat, or as we call it here turrón. Now I'm going to explain what it is like and how to prepare it, so you can make a new dessert to serve your guests this Christmas.

Nougat is a kind of candy bar made from a combination of honey, almonds, and egg whites, sometimes it also has chocolate. There are two types of nougat, hard and soft, but this recipe is to make only the soft one.

INGREDIENTS:

- 100gr. of sugar.
- 200gr. of honey.
- 1 egg white.
- 300gr. of almonds.
- And a pinch of cinnamon.



STEPS:

First of all, we need to grind the almonds. Next, we have to pour the honey and sugar into a pan, and while it is heating, we will stir it with a spoon until the ingredients are mixed. After that we will remove the pan from the heat. Then we will add the ground almonds and the egg white already beaten, and stir everything again. Finally, we have to pour the mixture into a mold, cover it and press it with something heavy for 4 or 5 hours. Once the time has passed, we will be able to eat it.

I hope you liked this recipe, and also, I hope you like this dessert as much as we do here in Spain.

Merry Christmas!

The origin of shortbread cookies



Author:
Pablo San José

The origin of shortbread cookies comes from the community of Andalucía, specifically, from the Steppe. In fact, the historical references are contained in a document that the Order of Santiago signed in favour of a Genoese banker in 1559, where Tristán Gómez was a witness as a confectioner. However, it was in the 19th century when La Calchona, decided to sell her shortbread cookies in the different towns where her husband worked as a carrier.

At the beginning of the 20th century, this product, among other sweets, was already present throughout Andalusia. And in 1928 the first kneading machines were incorporated into the production process, increasing the number of factories to ten. In the 1950's, emigration contributed to the product becoming known throughout Spain and its production increased. Their recipe is quite simple and quick.

Sprinkle the worktop with a little flour, place the dough on top, sprinkle it with another little flour and roll it out with a rolling pin until it is 1.5 centimeters thick. Use a round cookie cutter to cut the powder and place it on a tray lined with baking paper. Join the cuttings, mix them again, stretch them and repeat the process. Bake at 170°C for 15 minutes. Leave to cool, sprinkle with icing sugar and serve the shortbread cookies.

INGREDIENTS (For 45 pieces):

- 400 gr of flour.
- 225 g of lard.
- 150 g of icing sugar.
- 2 spoons of aniseed.
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon powder.
- Lemon peel.
- Flour and icing sugar to sprinkle.



Three Wise Men Cake



Author:
Daniel Martín

The Three Wise Men cake has its origins in the 2nd century when some parties were celebrated in honour of Saturn, the god of crops.

All people, rich and slaves celebrated the end of the darkest period of the year.

At that time it was common to prepare various dishes for the celebration, and the most popular was a honey-based cake with some nuts, dates and figs.

A century later, in this cake was included a bean, symbol of prosperity and fertility. However this tradition disappeared because the Christian religion assumed the power. Some centuries later, the traditional cake returned but this time to Spain, by the hand of Felipe V, however it wasn't the same cake of the Saturnalia festivities because instead of including beans, gold coins were also incorporated and the person who found the coins won a prize and the other who found the bean was consider a loser.

Although today we have recovered that ancient tradition, some details have changed.

The most obvious is that nowadays gold coins are replaces by surprises. Obviously the ingredients of the cake have also changed, leaving behind nuts and figs to be replaced by cream or chocolate.

INGREDIENTS

3 eggs.

70 grams of butter.

Zest of orange and lemon.

40 grams of milk.

85 grams of sugar.

430 grams of flour.



RECIPE:

1. Mix in a bowl the milk with the sugar and the and the yeast creating the dough.
2. Next yo this dough you have to add the butter, the zests, the beaten eggs and finally the flour.
3. With the help of the fingers we have to make a circle in the middle of the dough.
4. Then you have to bake it in the oven.
5. And finally when it is baked you can put all the nuts or cream that you want.

A hand holding a lit sparkler against a background of colorful bokeh lights and streamers. The scene is festive and celebratory, with a hand holding a lit sparkler in the center. The background is filled with out-of-focus lights in shades of blue, green, and red, along with colorful streamers. The overall mood is joyful and celebratory.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

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My Christmas wishes



Author:
Carla Cuenca

Christmas for many of us is a time full of emotions and great feelings to family, to our loved ones and to our friends. It makes us feel more joyful and generous. This Christmas is going to be very different from other Christmas. That's why I want us to be responsible this year. Let's not stay together; we have to take it seriously. We can't take an exception for one day because, even if it's only one day, we can destroy a whole year.

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I also wish that all this about the Covid-19 passes by soon so that we can stay together again, hug each other. . . So that cultural performances like shows and concerts can come back. Let the restaurants, bars, clubs open too. And put an end to this nightmare.

Finally, I wish everyone good health and. . . Merry Christmas!



My Christmas wishes



Author:
Lucia Varela

First of all, i want to say this year has been specially hard for all of us. It has been strange, difficult, and we've lived painful experiences, but we've also learnt a lot. We've all seen that things could change in a short period of time, and we've learnt to enjoy all the little moments of our day to day. This is very important, because we don't appreciate the moments we have with our family, our friends... until they disappear..

From another point of view, it has been an enormous disaster. Not all people could afford medicines, masks...and they have been the ones who have most suffered the consequences. However, we've seen a lot of people helping them, thinking on the wellness of others before their own. These kind of people are the ones who are worth it, and the ones who are making the world a better place.

Because of that, my only Christmas wish is that you don't give up. Keep fighting, keep smiling, keep enjoying life, because there's only one, and if you don't do it now, when will you do it?



My Christmas wishes

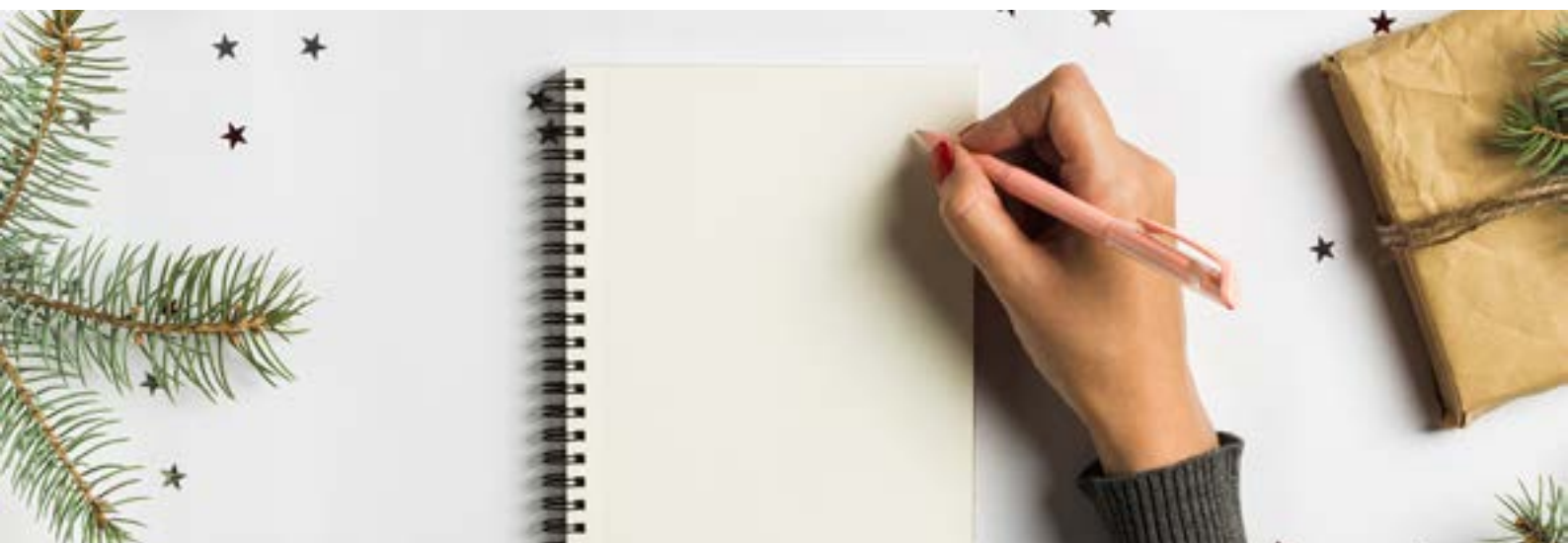


Author:
Paula Criado

My wishes this year are very simple, I want to spend Christmas with my family. Every year we stay together with the whole family in my grandmother's house, we put up the Christmas tree, we help to make the Christmas dinner and we eat the grapes. This year I think it's going to change because we can't stay together by Covid-19 rules.

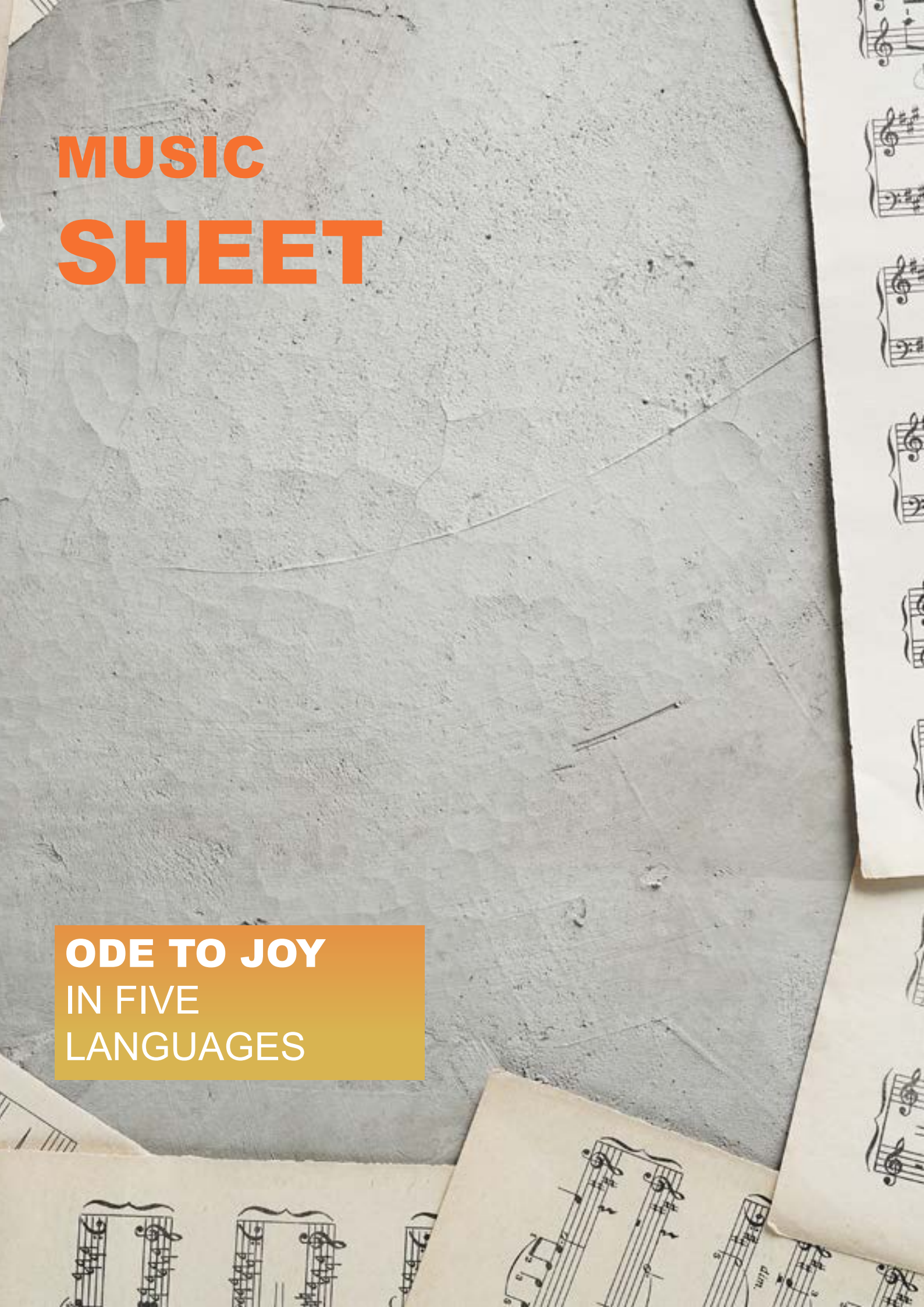
I really love these dates, getting together with my family, singing Christmas Carols all together, living our Christmas traditions and watching Christmas shows; writing Christmas letters with the gifts of my cousins from Santa Claus, I'm really looking forward to this moment because I haven't seen my family for a long time, they live in another city and they still can't come here.

Apart from all of this, I would like some Christmas gifts, for example, I want a new laptop because mine is broken and is not working well; and I also want the new book by my favourite writer. Good Christmas and Happy New Year!



MUSIC SHEET

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IN FIVE
LANGUAGES



Friends and United with the joy of music



Freunde, nicht diese Töne!
Sondern laßt uns angeneh-
mere anstimmen
und freudenvollere!
Freude! Freude!



Åh vänner, låt oss släppa
dessa nyanser!
Låt oss sjunga trevligare och
glada låtar!
Glädje! Glädje!



Och, przyjaciele, zostawmy
te cienie!
Śpiewajmy przyjemniejsze i
bardziej radosne piosenki!
Radość! Radość!



Oh amis, laissons tomber
ces nuances!
Chantons des chansons
plus agréables et joyeuses!
Joie! Joie!



¡Oh amigos, dejemos esos
tonos!
¡Entonemos cantos más
agradables y llenos de
alegría!
¡Alegría! Alegría

**OH FRIENDS!
LET`S DROP
THOSE SHADES.**
LET US SING MORE
PLEASANT AND JOYFUL
SONGS