



MAY DAY

The first day of the month of May is known a **May Day**. It is the time of the year when the weather is warm and flowers and trees start to blossom. It is the time when people celebrate the coming of summer.

Traditional English May Day celebrations include crowning May Queen and dancing around the Maypole.



On May Day people used to cut down young trees and stick them in the ground in the village to mark the arrival of summer. People

dance around the tree pole. **Maypole dance** is a folk dance performed around that tall pole garlanded with flowers and ribbons. The dancers weave through each other using ribbons to create beautiful and colorful braids in the air.



The **May Queen** or **Queen of May** is a personification of the May Day holiday and of springtime and also summer. The May Queen is a girl who must walk at the front of a parade for Ma

y Day celebrations. She wears a white gown and usually a tiara or a crown. She begins the May Day celebrations. She is generally crowned by flowers and makes a speech before the dancing

