

The First Of May – The Labour Day

Why we celebrate Labour day on 1st of May

Let's go back for 130 years in 1866. Many people were working every day in the factory and they had a very small salary. So workers therefore organized into groups and trade unions who were fighting for their rights. So the people in the USA started to protest on. They demanded more rights and eight hours working day. At first the protest was quiet, then the bomb exploded and killed eight policemen. The policemen started to shoot and they killed eleven people who protested. Three years later, at the International Congress workers in Paris decided that each year in memory of workers who died at that time, the celebrations would be organized based on the workers' rights. In Slovenia it is a free day. In the evening before the 1st of May, people light bonfires on the nearby hills. But in Slovenia people do not celebrate that day as a special one because many people are jobless and it is difficult to live without having jobs and money.



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