



Pierogi Times

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Your weekly dose of Polish language and culture.

Language Bite

Dzień Dziecka (Children's Day): a holiday for children... technically.

In Poland, **Dzień Dziecka** (Children's Day) is celebrated on June 1st. Schools organize **gry** (games), outdoor activities and special treats, while children receive **małe prezenty** (small gifts), candy or ice cream.

Officially, the holiday is for **dzieci** (kids).
Unofficially... many adults celebrate too.

Polish adults sometimes jokingly declare:

„**Mam dziś swój dzień dziecka.**”

Which means: “Today I'm having my own Children's Day.”

This usually happens when someone:

- buys themselves a dessert,
- orders **niepotrzebne** (unnecessary) LEGO,
- gets a new gadget,
- or **po prostu** (simply) decides they deserve a little happiness.

Because deep inside, every **dorosły** (adult) still wants tasty treats, presents, and absolutely no responsibilities for one afternoon.

And you? How would you celebrate your Children's Day this year?



Polish piosenka
of the week!



[Song - link](#)

Say it!

Try and don't cry ;)

Czarna krowa w kropki bordo gryzła trawę kręcąc mordą.

Meaning: “A black cow with burgundy spots chewed grass while twisting its mouth.”
Pure Polish nonsense energy. :-)



False Friends

kolonie
rzeczownik, l. mn.

✓ summer camp

✗ colonies

Example:

In Poland, **kolonie** means children going to summer camp — often by the seaside — making new friends, eating **kielbasa** (sausage) by **ognisko** (the bonfire) and returning home with endless stories about their adventures.

Polska Kuchnia

Makaron...
z truskawkami!

Pycha!



Many foreigners are surprised that Polish children happily eat pasta with strawberries, cream and sugar. But for many Poles, **makaron z truskawkami** tastes exactly like summer vacation, visiting grandparents and June afternoons.

We know it sounds scientifically strange, but... it's Polish childhood nostalgia.

Try with **śmietana** and **świeże truskawki!**