

Vocabulary (01)  
The Calendar (012)

In context:  
3-5 minutes

Look at the calendar. Then, answer the questions.

JANUARY						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

1. What day does January begin on?
2. What holiday is in January?

## Vocabulary

3-5 minutes

Days of the week:

Monday *(Mon.)	Tuesday (Tues.)	*Wednesday (Wed.)	Thursday (Thurs.)	Friday (Fri.)	Saturday (Sat.)	Sunday (Sun.)
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\* "Wednesday" is pronounced "Wensday"

\* Days of the week are given *abbreviations (short forms of the word)*

Months of the year:

January - 1 *(Jan.)	*February- 2 (Feb.)	March - 3 (Mar.)	April - 4 (Apr.)	May - 5	June - 6
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\* "February" is pronounced "Febuary"

\* Months of the year are given *abbreviations (short forms of the word)*

July - 7	August - 8 (Aug.)	September - 9 (Sept.)	October - 10 (Oct.)	November - 11 (Nov.)	December - 12 (Dec.)
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## Language Tip

3-5 minutes

- In some countries, the week begins with "Sunday," and in others, it starts on "Monday."
- All months are given a number. "January" is usually the first month.
- In some countries dates are written: day/month/year  
Example: 4/12/11 = December 12, 2011
- In other countries dates are written: month/day/year (mostly in the United States)  
Example: 4/12/11 = April 12, 2011

## The Calendar

5-10 minutes

To ask questions about "dates," we use the form: When is ...

Example: *When is your birthday?*  
*When is your vacation?*  
*When is the party?*

To answer a "When is" question, we use the form

"It is on + day of the week / date..."

"It is in + month"

Example: It is on December 4<sup>th</sup>.  
It is on Sunday.  
It is on Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.  
It is in July./ It is in August.

\* When we talk about the "date" of something, we use *ordinal numbers*. Review the table of ordinal numbers below.

1 <sup>st</sup> - first	11 <sup>th</sup> - eleventh	21 <sup>st</sup> - twenty-first	31 <sup>st</sup> - thirty-first
2 <sup>nd</sup> - second	12 <sup>th</sup> - twelfth	22 <sup>nd</sup> - twenty-second	
3 <sup>rd</sup> - third	13 <sup>th</sup> - thirteenth	23 <sup>rd</sup> - twenty-third	
4 <sup>th</sup> - fourth	14 <sup>th</sup> - fourteenth	24 <sup>th</sup> - twenty-fourth	
5 <sup>th</sup> - fifth	15 <sup>th</sup> - fifteenth	25 <sup>th</sup> - twenty-fifth	
6 <sup>th</sup> - sixth	16 <sup>th</sup> - sixteenth	26 <sup>th</sup> - twenty-sixth	
7 <sup>th</sup> - seventh	17 <sup>th</sup> - seventeenth	27 <sup>th</sup> - twenty-seventh	
8 <sup>th</sup> - eighth	18 <sup>th</sup> - eighteenth	28 <sup>th</sup> - twenty-eighth	
9 <sup>th</sup> - ninth	19 <sup>th</sup> - nineteenth	29 <sup>th</sup> - twenty-ninth	
10 <sup>th</sup> - tenth	20 <sup>th</sup> - twentieth	30 <sup>th</sup> - thirtieth	

To ask about the date today, we use the question: "What is today's date?"

Example: What is today's date? Today is July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011.  
What is today's date? Today is August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## Written Practice

5-10 minutes

The dates below are written in "month/day/year" form. Write the date in words.

- 09/09/09 \_\_\_\_\_
- 10/21/11 \_\_\_\_\_
- 03/01/08 \_\_\_\_\_
- 06/18/10 \_\_\_\_\_
- 11/03/11 \_\_\_\_\_

Write the day of the week next to the abbreviation.

- Mon. \_\_\_\_\_
- Wed. \_\_\_\_\_
- Fri. \_\_\_\_\_
- Sat. \_\_\_\_\_
- Tues. \_\_\_\_\_
- Sun. \_\_\_\_\_
- Thurs. \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in the missing months of the year.

January - 1	_____ - 2	March - 3	April - 4
May - 5	_____ - 6	_____ - 7	August - 8
_____ - 9	October - 10	November - 11	_____ - 12

Write the ordinal numbers in words.

- 1<sup>st</sup> *first*
- 22<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 31<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 14<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 9<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 19<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 25<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 3<sup>rd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_
- 20<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Read and Say it!

3-5 minutes

Look at the calendar and then read the questions and answers.

DECEMBER						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 My birthday	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Christmas Party	20
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve			

When is your birthday?

It is on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

When is your Christmas part?

It is on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

When is Christmas?

It is on December 25<sup>th</sup>.

When is New Year's Eve?

It is on December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Practice with your teacher

3-5 minutes

Ask your teacher about the dates below. Use a "When is..." question.

your birthday

your vacation

your party

Now, have your teacher ask you the same questions. Answer with "It is on..."

## Quiz

3-5 minutes

Write the dates in number form. (month/day/year)

1. August 3, 2008 \_\_\_\_\_
2. January 19, 2011 \_\_\_\_\_
3. March 10, 2009 \_\_\_\_\_
4. December 22, 2010 \_\_\_\_\_
5. October 31, 2003 \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in the missing days of the week.

1.	Tuesday	2.	Thursday	3.	4.	Sunday
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Write the number in ordinal form.

1. sixteenth \_\_\_\_\_
2. twenty-eighth \_\_\_\_\_
3. first \_\_\_\_\_
4. seventeenth \_\_\_\_\_
5. third \_\_\_\_\_
6. eleventh \_\_\_\_\_
7. second \_\_\_\_\_
8. twentieth \_\_\_\_\_
9. thirty-first \_\_\_\_\_
10. twenty-fourth \_\_\_\_\_

Look at the calendar below. Write the question or the answer.

APRIL						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2	3 My Birthday	4	5	6

7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Good Friday	19 Easter Party	20 Easter
21 My Vacation	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

When is your birthday? (1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) \_\_\_\_\_? It is on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

(3) \_\_\_\_\_? It is on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

When is Good Friday? (4) \_\_\_\_\_?

When is (5) \_\_\_\_\_? (6) \_\_\_\_\_ April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Answers: 1. It is on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2. When is your vacation? 3. When is Easter? 4. It is on April 18<sup>th</sup>. 5. When is *your* Easter party? 6. It is on April 19<sup>th</sup>.