

Exercise 5 Find the difference

♪ Track 4.14 ♪

In this part, you will hear some short descriptions of festivals. You will be asked to compare the information that you hear with similar information that you read, and to underline the changes that have been made.

Text 1

As you listen, read the text below and underline the three changes in the text.

Valentine's Day

On 15th February, St. Valentine's Day, many people send a card to the one they love or someone whom they have been in love with. People usually do not sign these cards and a lot of time is spent trying to guess who has sent them.

Text 2

As you listen, read the text below and underline the four changes in the text.

Easter Eggs

At Easter time, the Americans celebrate the idea of new birth by giving each other chocolate and Easter eggs which are opened and eaten on Easter Sunday. On Good Friday bakers sell hot cross buns, which are toasted and eaten with butter. Easter Monday is a holiday and a lot of people travel to the seaside for the day or go and watch one of the many sporting events such as football or horse racing.

Text 3

As you listen, (please) read the text below and underline the five changes in the text.

New Year's Eve

New Year's Eve is on the night of 31st December. Many people stay up until at least just after midnight in order to see in the New Year. It's also the night of the year when most pubs, bars and restaurants forget about their usual closing times and stay open until after midnight. In London, many people go to Trafalgar Square to hear Big Ben chime midnight, and traditionally take a shower in the fountains in Trafalgar Square. The Christmas tree is a yearly gift from Norway.

Text 4

As you listen, read the text below and underline the six changes in the text.

Pancake Day

Ash Wednesday is the day in February when the Christian period of Lent begins. This refers to the time when Christ went into the desert and fasted for fifty days. Although not many people actually give up eating during this period, on Pancake Thursday, the day before Ash Wednesday, they eat lots of pancakes. They are made from flour, milk and eggs, and fried in a hot pan. Many towns also hold pancake races on that day. People run along the streets holding a frying pan and throwing the pancakes in the air. Of course if they drop the pancake they lose the race.

Text 5

As you listen, read the text below and underline the seven changes in the text.

Christmas

25th December is the important festival of the year. It combines the Christian celebration of the birth of Christ with the traditional festivities of winter. On the Sunday before Christmas, a lot of churches hold a carol service where special hymns are sung. Very often you can hear carol singers singing in the streets as they collect money for charity. Many families decorate their houses with brightly-coloured Christmas decorations and they usually have a Christmas tree in the corner of the front room, glittering with coloured lights and decorations. People often put their gifts at the bottom of the Christmas tree.

Exercise 2 Accommodation *Track 4.11* 

Listen to some conversations and fill in the missing information in the forms.

Conversation 1

Type of room	_____
Room No.	_____
Floor	_____
Cost	_____

Conversation 2

Type of room	_____
Room No.	_____
Floor	_____
Cost	_____

Conversation 3

Type of room	_____
Room No.	_____
Floor	_____
Cost	_____

Exercise 2 Making an appointment

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You will hear three dialogues on the telephone between a secretary and a person who is making an appointment to see someone. As you listen, complete the notes below. Please write the name of the person, the day, the time and the telephone number in each dialogue.

Dialogue 1

Note for Mr. Watson:

_____ is coming to see you

on _____ at _____.

His telephone number is _____.

Dialogue 2

Note for Dr. Jenkinson:

_____ is coming to see you

on _____ at _____.

Her telephone number is _____.

Dialogue 3

Note for Professor Hansen:

_____ is coming to see you

on _____ at _____.

His telephone number is _____.