

THERE ARE TWO WAYS OF SAYING THE DATE IN ENGLISH

	1. Written English (the way you write)	2. Spoken English (the way you say)	Numbers
	5 th NOVEMBER Day + Month	The fifth of November	5/ 11/ 2020 day/ month/ year
	NOVEMBER 7 Month + Day	November fifth Even if the -th isn't written, an ordinal number is still said.	11/ 5/ 2020 month/ day/ year

DAYS	MONTHS	YEAR
We always use ORDINAL numbers for dates in spoken English. We normally add -th to the cardinal number to make it an ordinal number. 1 st first; 2 nd second 3 rd third are exceptions	Months always start with capital letters. <u>n</u> ovember ✗ November ✓	Years are normally divided in two parts. <u>1984</u> nineteen eighty-four 1959 - nineteen fifty-nine 1871 - eighteen seventy-one 2017 - twenty seventeen

Be careful when writing the date using only numbers.

WHAT DATE IS THIS?	
	5/ 11/ 20
	11/ 5/ 20
	5 th November, 2020.
	11 th May, 2020

To avoid misunderstanding, write the month, not the number, in letters, e-mails etc.

YEAR *Exceptions:

- for the years from 2000 to 2010, we normally say two thousand and + number
 2006 two thousand and six
 2003 two thousand and three
- for the first years after 2010, you may hear two different ways, both correct
 2012 - two thousand and twelve OR twenty twelve (following the general rule)
- when a year ends in a number between 01 and 09, then that last part is read as the name of the letter O (oh) + number
 1804 eighteen O (oh) four
 1609 sixteen O (oh) nine
- when the year ends in 00, e.g.1900, the first part is said - nineteen, then hundred
 1800 eighteen hundred
 1500 fifteen hundred

DAYS - Ordinal numbers

The highlighted numbers are *spelling exceptions* to the general rule, add - th to the cardinal number

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

I. TAKE OUT YOUR NOTEBOOK AND PRACTICE WRITING THE ORDINAL NUMBERS.

II. Write these dates. They are written in the British order, day + month + year

1. 05/07/ 2001 The fifth of September, two thousand and one.

2. 21/03/ 1909 _____

3. 30/11/ 1980 _____

4. 09/08/ 1953 _____

5. 12/01/ 2010 _____

6. 03/10/ 2025 _____

7. 16/05/ 1700 _____

8. 22/12/ 2019 _____

III. Answer the questions writing the dates the way you say'd say them.

1. What's the date today? _____

2. When were you born? _____

3. When's your mum's birthday? _____

4. When's Christmas? _____