

Hello!

Welcome to Opportunities for Serendipity English Course!



Do you like cooking?

.....

Times we love

1. Vocabulary & Pronunciation

a. Days of the week; Check pronunciation 1.10



What day is it today?

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

b. Months of the year; Check pronunciation 3.29

Months of the Year

| | |
|-------------|-------------|
| January 🌨️ | July 🌈 |
| February ❤️ | August ☀️ |
| March 🍀 | September 🍎 |
| April 🌂 | October 🍂 |
| May 🌹 | November 🍁 |
| June 🌊 | December ❄️ |

c. The weather; Check pronunciation 3.8



It's sunny.



It's hot.



It's cloudy.



It's rainy.



It's windy.



It's foggy.



It's cold.



It's snowing.

d. Seasons; Check pronunciation 3.9



spring



summer



autumn



winter

e. Ordinal numbers; Check pronunciation 3.30

We normally add a TH to the end of a cardinal number to make it an ordinal number. Be careful of the spelling exceptions below:

| | | |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 st first | 11 th eleventh | 21 st twenty-first |
| 2 nd second | 12 th twelfth | 22 nd twenty-second |
| 3 rd third | 13 th thirteenth | 23 rd twenty-third |
| 4 th fourth | 14 th fourteenth | 24 th twenty-fourth |
| 5 th fifth | 15 th fifteenth | 25 th twenty-fifth |
| 6 th sixth | 16 th sixteenth | 26 th twenty-sixth |
| 7 th seventh | 17 th seventeenth | 27 th twenty-seventh |
| 8 th eighth | 18 th eighteenth | 28 th twenty-eighth |
| 9 th ninth | 19 th nineteenth | 29 th twenty-ninth |
| 10 th tenth | 20 th twentieth | 30 th thirtieth |
| USES OF ORDINAL NUMBERS | | |
| DATES: Her birthday is on the 29 th . | | |
| CENTURIES: Shakespeare was born in the 16 th century. | | |
| SEQUENCE/ORDER: My team came second in the league. | | |
| FLOORS OF A BUILDING: His office is on the tenth floor. | | |
| | | 31 st thirty-first |
| | | 40 th fortieth |
| | | 41 st forty-first |
| | | 50 th fiftieth |
| | | 51 st fifty-first |

f Dates.

March 8th = the eighth of March / March the eighth

2. Reading

a. Read the article; [Favourite times](#)

Favourite times

1



In the UK the third Monday in January is the most depressing day of the year, says psychologist Dr Cliff Arnall, who calls it Blue Monday. Why? Because it's winter, the weather is usually grey and cold, the days are dark, and Monday is the first day of the working week. People are also often short of money after Christmas, and some people feel bad after breaking their New Year resolutions. And the happiest day of the year? 'The third Friday in June,' says Dr Arnall. And it's easy to see why – it's summer, it's warm outside, the evenings are light, and the weekend starts now!

We asked our readers about the days and times during the year that make them feel good.

- 1 What's your favourite time of day? Why?
- 2 What's your favourite day of the week? Why?
- 3 What's your favourite month? Why?
- 4 What's your favourite season? Why?
- 5 What's your favourite public holiday? Why?



Joe, 24

2

- 1 Ten thirty at night. Because it's the time of day when I can really relax.
- 2 Saturday. Because (1)_____ during the week, and Saturday is the first day when I can **stay in bed** until 12 if I want!
- 3 August. Because my birthday is in August and I'm usually on holiday.
- 4 The summer. Because the weather's good, (2)_____, and people are **in a good mood**.
- 5 January 1st. Because it's the start of a new year, and (3)_____.

Rose, 35

- 1 Early morning. Because (4)_____ when other people are **asleep**, and the light is beautiful.
- 2 It depends. Because (5)_____!
- 3 May. Because the world is pale green, and asparagus is in season!
- 4 Autumn. Because the **leaves** are red and yellow, and it's a time for lots of wonderful fruit and vegetables. (6)_____!
- 5 Easter Sunday. Because I love chocolate, and I always have a lot of Easter eggs!

asparagus



Easter egg



New Year resolutions – promises we make on December 31st, e.g. to eat or drink less in the new year

Easter Sunday – an important Christian holiday in March or April

b. Complete Joe's and Rose's answers with phrases a-f;

- A. *every week is different*
- B. *I like imagining plans*
- C. *I hate getting up early*
- D. *I love cooking*
- E. *the days are long*
- F. *I like being awake*

3. Listening

Listen to Martin answering the questions in Favourite Times and complete. 3.33

1. Martin's favourite time of day during the week is the
2. His favourite day of the week is
3. His favourite month is
4. His favourite season is
5. His favourite holiday is New Year's Eve.

4. Grammar

a. Complete the chart with a verb from the list.

don't like hate don't mind like love

| | | |
|---|---|---------|
| 😊 | 😊 | I _____ |
| 😊 | 😊 | I _____ |
| 😊 | 😊 | I _____ |
| 😊 | 😊 | I _____ |
| 😊 | 😊 | I _____ |

b. What form of the verb follows like, love, hate, don't like, don't mind?

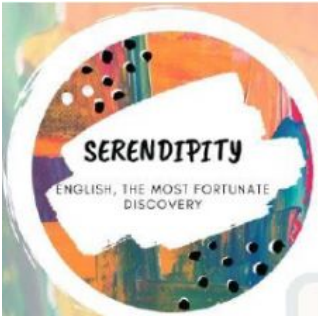
c. like + verb-ing

| | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 😊😊 I love | shopping. |
| 😊 I like | going to the cinema. |
| 😊 I don't mind | getting up early. |
| 😊 I don't like | doing housework. |
| 😞😞 I hate | driving at night. |

- We use verb + *-ing* after *like*, *love*, *don't mind*, and *hate*.

spelling rules for the *-ing* form

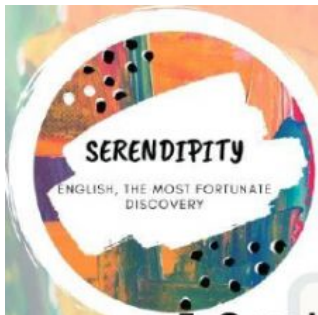
| infinitive | verb + <i>-ing</i> | spelling |
|------------|--------------------|---|
| cook | cooking | add <i>-ing</i> |
| study | studying | |
| dance | dancing | e + <i>-ing</i> |
| shop | shopping | one vowel + one consonant = double consonant + <i>-ing</i> |



Complete the sentences with these verbs in the correct form;

get go dance play have use read drive

1. He loves..... a company car.
2. He likes..... the newspaper.
3. He doesn't mindlunch at work.
4. He doesn't mindhome late.
5. He hatesto the cinema.
6. He doesn't liketennis.
7. He likes..... a computer.
8. He hates



5. Speaking

- What day comes before Friday?
- What day comes after Monday?
- What day comes before Wednesday?
- What day comes after Sunday?
- What day of the week is your birthday on this year?
- Which day is your favourite day of the week? Why?
- What's the weather like today?
- What season is it where you are?
- What's the date today?
- What's the date tomorrow?
- What year is it?
- What dates are public holidays in your country?
- When is your birthday?
- What's your favourite time of day? Why?
- What's your favourite day of the week? Why?
- What's your favourite month? Why?
- What's your favourite season? Why?
- What's your favourite public holiday? Why?
- Do you like reading?
- Do you like cooking?
- Do you mind doing housework?
- What do you like doing at weekends?