

WEEK 3: LABOR DAY

Instructions: Listen to the audio about “Labor Day” three times. Then, fill in the blanks with the words that are missing.

Audio:

Labor Day History

Labor Day is an annual holiday celebrated _____. It originated from the eight-hour day movement in the nineteenth century. Labor _____ hours for work, eight hours for play, and eight hours for sleep. It then became a reason for workers to celebrate their social and economic progress _____ twentieth century. Today, people are happy it is a day off work and perhaps _____ of this important holiday. Most countries celebrate this day on May 1. In some countries, it is called May Day _____ known as International Workers’ Day. More and more countries are moving the day to the first Monday in May, _____-day weekend.

People around the world celebrate Labor Day _____. In China, it marked the beginning of a seven-day holiday called Golden Week. People _____ country traveled to their hometowns or visited resorts. However, in 2008, the Chinese government went _____ public holiday. Indians have celebrated Labor Day since May 1, 1927. There are many festivals and processions organized by different labor organizations and people _____ for huge parties. Italians celebrate the day with a huge, free music concert in Rome. Up to one million people attend the spectacular. For most people, it _____ enjoy the nice weather and have a picnic with family, friends and co-workers.

