

4b Vocabulary

Topic Vocabulary National Holidays & Celebrations

3 Complete the gaps with words from the list.

- blow
- baked
- threw
- had
- remember
- charge
- invited
- put up

A

We 1) _____ a party for my cousin Julie's sixteenth birthday last Saturday.
We 2) _____ her friends from school. Her best friend, Jenny who was in 3) _____ of the decorations, 4) _____ lots of balloons and streamers. My aunt 5) _____ a beautiful birthday cake and I bought sixteen candles for Julie to 6) _____ out! We all 7) _____ a great time at the party. It was a day to 8) _____!



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- national
- pumpkin
- roast
- celebrate
- planned
- shared

B

My favourite celebration is Thanksgiving. It's a

1) _____ holiday in the USA. We 2) _____ it on the fourth Thursday in November. Last year, my parents and I 3) _____ the day with our relatives.

My mum had 4) _____ a special meal that included a traditional 5) _____ turkey and sweet potatoes. For dessert we had a delicious 6) _____ pie.

It was a perfect day!



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4 Match the events (1-6) to the phrases (a-f). What are these phrases in your language?

1	wedding	a Wishing you both a world of happiness!
2	birth	b Best wishes for a happy retirement!
3	birthday	c Best wishes on getting a new start.
4	new job	d Many happy returns of the day.
5	retirement	e My condolences.
6	funeral	f Congratulations on the new arrival.



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5 Choose the correct words.

St Patrick's Day is a 1) **public/general/social** holiday in Ireland. It takes 2) **place/part/action** on 17th March. There are street 3) **parades/marches/routes** with colourful floats and 4) **walking/marching/pacing** bands. People wear green clothes and hats with a shamrock, which is Ireland's national 5) **symbol/sign/logo** .



B

In the USA, July 4th is known as Independence Day and

1) **celebrates/honours/praises** American independence from Great Britain. It's a national holiday. Most towns 2) **keep/hold/run** parades in the morning, then in the evening they 3) **go/play/attend** concerts and 4) **let off/set out/give out** fireworks. People wear red, white and blue suits or hats.

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Feelings

6 a) How do the people feel? Match the sentences (1-5) to the adjectives (a-e).

1 I couldn't believe it when I saw my favourite uncle standing at the door.

2 I couldn't wait to join in with the dancers and take part in the parade.

3 We had to queue up for hours before we got packed in with others like sardines in a small hall. Outrageous!

4 It was all so badly organised I really didn't enjoy it.

5 It was a great ceremony. I couldn't believe my little one was a graduate.

a disappointed
b proud
c surprised
d excited
e angry



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Prepositional phrases

7 Fill in: into of to in about on

Check in the Word List.

- 1 We were really excited going to the party.
- 2 They organised a party honour of their grandparents.
- 3 They carved the pumpkins and put them display.
- 4 Preparations begin months advance.
- 5 Remembrance Day takes place in Britain the Sunday closest to 11th November every year.
- 6 The audience burst applause.
- 7 Mr Harris wasn't able to attend in person, but thanks his generosity we raised a huge amount of money for the charity.
- 8 The children were full enthusiasm for the event.

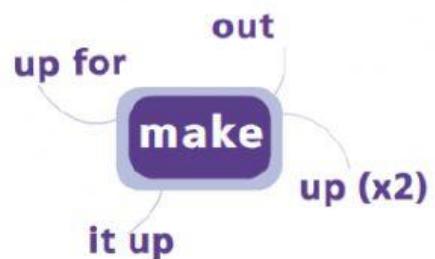


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Phrasal verbs: **MAKE**

8 Replace the words in bold with an appropriate phrasal verb from the spidergram. Check in the Word List. Make any other necessary changes in the sentences. **CHECK**



1 I **couldn't understand** what the name on the card was.

I what the name on the card was.

2 It was nice that Peter and Jane **became friends again** after the quarrel.

It was nice that Peter and Jane after the quarrel.

3 I'm sorry I forgot your birthday. I promise I'll **compensate** you.

I'm sorry I forgot your birthday. I promise I'll you.

4 I insisted he **pay for** the damage he caused.

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5 We don't want to go to the party; we need to **think of** a good excuse.

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Last Christmas

Last I gave you my heart
But the very next day you gave it away
This year, to save me from
I'll give it to someone special

Once bitten and twice shy
I keep my distance, but you still catch my eye
 me, baby, do you recognize me?
Well, it's been a year, it doesn't surprise me

"Merry Christmas" I wrapped it up and it
With a note saying "I love you" I meant it
Now I know what a fool I've been
But if you kissed me now, I know you'd fool me

Last Christmas, I gave you my heart
 the very next day you gave it away
This year, to save me from tears
I'll give it to someone special

Last Christmas, I gave you my
But the very next day you gave it away
This year, to save me from tears
I'll give it to someone special

again
But
Christmas
heart
sent
tears
Tell
This

anything
away
from
ice
save
someone
special

A crowded room and friends with tired eyes
I'm hiding from you and your soul of
My God, I thought you were someone to rely on
Me? I guess I was a shoulder to cry on

A face on a lover with a fire in his heart
A girl under cover, but you tore her apart
Maybe this year, maybe this year
I'll give it to someone

'Cause last Christmas, I gave you my heart
But the very next day you gave it
This year, to save me from tears
I'll give it to special

Last Christmas, I gave you my heart
But the very next day you gave it away
This year, to me from tears
I'll give it to someone special

And last Christmas
And this year
Won't be like, anything like-

Last Christmas, I gave you my heart
But the very next day you gave it away
This year, to save me tears
I'll give it to someone special

