

Dates and times

1 Write the correct word from the list to complete the sentences.

millennium decade tenth AD
date fortnight 1970s century

- 1 My grandmother was born at the end of the nineteenth
- 2 In the between 1940 and 1950 the world changed in lots of ways.
- 3 What is the of the next parent's evening at school?
- 4 The new began on January 1, 2000.
- 5 Punk rock started in London in the
- 6 Vera is really happy because she's going on holiday for a this year.
- 7 October is the month of the year.
- 8 The Roman Emperor Justinian was born in 482

2 Choose the best word to complete the sentences.

- 1 At the *finish/end of term*, we all have to hand in our text books.
- 2 Are you going on holiday *in/at* July or August?
- 3 The actors should learn their lines *before/since* they go to the first rehearsal.
- 4 The drama club are having a meeting tomorrow, *in/at* lunchtime.
- 5 A lot of soldiers were out of work *after/later* the end of the war.
- 6 The match was really close, but, *in/at* the end, our team won.
- 7 In Britain the time is an hour *later/after* than the time in Spain.
- 8 The Eiffel Tower dates *at/from* the great exhibition in 1889.

3 Write the missing word or words in the second sentence so it means the same as the first.

- 1 The date the doomed ship, Titanic, left Portsmouth was 12/04/1912.
The doomed voyage of the Titanic started in Portsmouth on the
- 2 She was the largest passenger ship ever built, at that time.
No one had ever built such a big ship
- 3 In the middle of her first voyage, she struck an iceberg.
She struck an iceberg her first voyage.
- 4 She hit the iceberg at 23.40, and sank at 02.20.
She hit the iceberg at 11.40 p.m. and sank two hours and forty minutes

- 5 There will be ceremonies around the world on 15th April 2012, which will be the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic.

There are ceremonies planned around the world to commemorate a since the Titanic sank.



4 Write a time word, number or phrase in the gaps to complete the text.

The first inhabitants of what we now know as Germany had come from Scandinavia in about 100 BC. 1) that time, of course, Germany was not one nation. The first account of the inhabitants of 'Germania' was written by Tacitus, a Roman historian, 2) 98 BC. The tribes living in the south west became part of the Roman Empire, 3) the tribes in the north east were independent, and lived on friendly terms with the Romans. At the beginning of the 4th 4) AD the eastern people began to invade the Roman territory, and the Roman Empire had ceased to exist 5) the late fifth century. One of the largest tribes, called the Franks, became more powerful and controlled what is 6) Western Germany and Italy. In AD 800 their leader, Charlemagne, was crowned Emperor in Rome. His Empire was so enormous that it was divided into three parts, and the people in the western area spoke a kind of French, while the people in the East spoke German. 7) Charlemagne died his descendants ruled 8) 911 AD, and then a Frankish King, called Konrad the first, was elected. This was possibly the beginning of modern Germany.