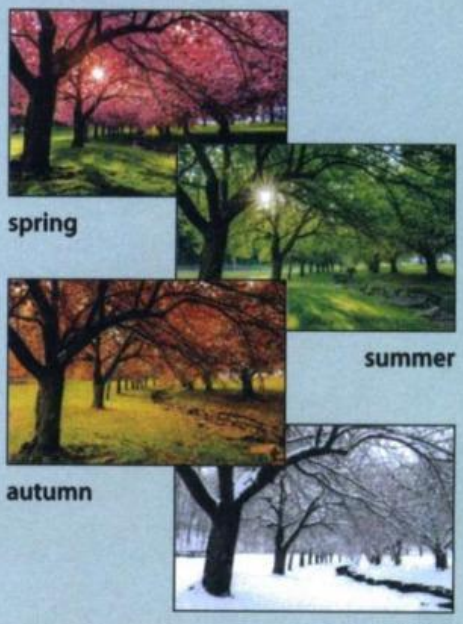
8 Days, seasons and dates

A Days, months and dates

DAYS of the WEEK	**Monday** **Tuesday** **Wednesday** **Thursday** **Friday** **Saturday** **Sunday**
MONTHS of the YEAR	**January** **February** **March** **April** **May** **June** **July** **August** **September** **October** **November** **December**
SEASONS (in Britain)	**spring** (March–May) **summer** (June–August) **autumn** (September–November) **winter** (December–February)
SPECIAL DAYS	**Christmas Day** (25 December) **New Year's Day** (1 January) your **birthday** (the day you were born)



SPOTLIGHT capital letters

Days and months have a capital letter.
Monday (NOT ~~*monday*~~); **January** (NOT ~~*january*~~)

1 Put the words in the correct order. Write the numbers in the boxes.

1 Wednesday ☐ Saturday ☐ ▶Monday [1] Friday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Sunday ☐ Thursday ☐
2 autumn ☐ spring ☐ winter ☐ summer ☐
3 December ☐ March ☐ June ☐ February ☐ November ☐ January ☐
October ☐ April ☐ July ☐ September ☐ May ☐ August ☐

2 Say the days of the week and the months in the correct order. Use the APP to help you with pronunciation. Practise saying the words.

3 Write the next day, month or season.

▶ May June
1 Monday .....
2 August .....
3 spring .....
4 November .....
5 Friday .....

▶ Sunday Monday
6 March .....
7 January .....
8 autumn .....
9 Wednesday .....
10 June .....

4 ABOUT YOU Write your answers, or ask another student.

1 Which month is your birthday? .....
2 Which season do you like best? Why? .....
3 Which day of the week do you like best? Why? .....
4 What do you do on Christmas Day? .....
5 What do you do on New Year's Day? .....
6 What are two other special days in the year, and when are they? .....
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B Ordinal numbers and dates

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

SPOTLIGHT saying and writing dates and years

We can write the date like this:
- **10 March** OR **10th March** OR **March 10** OR **3.10.07** OR **3/10/07**

We say the date like this:
- ***What's the date today?*** *~ It's **March the tenth**.*
  *~ It's **the tenth of March**.*

Say the year like this:
- 1995 **nineteen ninety-five** ▪ 2006 **two thousand and six**
- 2020 **twenty twenty** OR **two thousand and twenty**

5 Complete the words.

▶ ni_n_th
1 th___rd
2 twent___eth
3 fi___th
4 f___rst
5 eig___th
6 si___teenth
7 fo___rteenth
8 th___rteenth
9 s___cond

6 Answer the questions below, then practise saying the dates you wrote.

CALENDAR

MARCH							APRIL						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30	31				

What's ...

▶ the first Saturday in March? March the third / the third of March.
1 the second Tuesday in April? .....
2 the first Sunday in March? .....
3 the third Tuesday in April? .....
4 the third Wednesday in March? .....
5 the second Wednesday in April? .....
6 the first Friday in April? .....
7 the fifth Saturday in March? .....
8 the fourth Monday in April? .....

7 Write the dates/years as we say them.

▶ 6.9 the sixth of September
1 3.2 .....
2 4.7 .....
3 10.12 .....
4 12.8 .....
5 15.1 .....
6 2022 .....
7 21.5 .....
8 30.11 .....
9 22.4 .....
10 2015 .....
11 today's date .....
12 the date next Tuesday .....

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