

Lesson B:

My holidays plans

Warm-up

Favorite holidays



What's your favorite holiday? Why?

Vocabulary

Holidays in the U.S

Listen and repeat



Conversation

We're going to go dancing

Melissa: So, Mark, do you have any plans for New Year's Eve

Joseph: Absolutely. I'm going to take my girlfriend to the beach

Melissa: Cool! Where exactly are you going?

Joseph: Coconuts Beach. It's in the province of Guayas. It's such a peaceful and quiet place!

Melissa: That sounds great!

Joseph: Yeah! What about you? What are you and Adam going to do during that holiday

Melissa: We're not going to the beach. We're just going to see a movie after the big celebration with our families.

Joseph: That's really nice



Grammar

Wh- questions with be going to

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What are you going to do for your birthday?	I'm going to visit my family. I'm not going to have a big party.
How is Mark going to travel to the beach?	He's going to take a train. He's not going to fly .
Where are Sarah and her friend going to stay ?	They're going to stay at the Hilton Hotel. They're not going to stay at a hostel.

Time expressions

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This evening	In two weeks
In two days	Next month
This weekend	Next spring
In a few hours	In five years

1. Complete these conversations

- A: Where ____ are you going to spend ____ (*spend*) New Year's Eve?

B: My wife and I ____ (*visit*) her parents.
- A: Who ____ you ____ (*invite*) to your Halloween picnic?

B: I ____ (*ask*) some friends.
- A: What ____ you ____ (*do*) for Independence Day?

B: I don't know. I ____ (*not do*) anything special.
- A: How ____ your family ____ (*celebrate*) Christmas?

B: We ____ (*have*) a big party.



2. Write short conversations, use the example as a model.

A: What are you going to do next week?

B: I'm going to have a barbecue.

A: Oh, really? Who's going to be there?

B: Well, Ted and Valerie are going to come.

Writing and speaking

My favorite holidays

Write about your three favorite holidays or special celebrations. Explain why you like them and share your plans for next year. Use the example as a model.

	Date	Why I like it	Plans for the next year
Holiday 1			
Holiday 2			
Holiday 3			

Example:

Christmas is my favorite holiday. It's on December 25th, and I love it because I get to spend time with my family and exchange gifts. Next year, I'm planning to visit my grandparents and help them decorate their house.



Lesson C:

Let's celebrate

Listening

Listen and practice



Writing

1. Look at the pictures and write short paragraphs. Use the example as a model

We're going to celebrate my mom's birthday next month. We're going to eat special food and I'm going to give my mom a nice gift.



Reading

1. Read the texts about some celebrations around the world and then answer the questions below.

Celebrations!	
Hanami, Japan	
	Hanami, meaning "flower viewing," is a popular tradition in Japan that celebrates the beauty of cherry blossoms. These delicate pink flowers bloom for a short time each spring, signaling the arrival of warmer weather. During Hanami, people gather in parks and gardens to have picnics, drink sake, and enjoy the stunning blossoms. It's a time for relaxation, socializing, and appreciating the natural beauty of the season.
Day of the Dead, Mexico	
	The Day of the Dead, or Día de Muertos in Spanish, is a Mexican holiday celebrated on November 1st and 2nd. It's a time to honor and remember deceased loved ones. Families create ofrendas, or altars, adorned with flowers, candles, food, and photographs of the departed. They believe that on this day, the spirits of the dead return to Earth to visit their families. The holiday is filled with colorful decorations, music, and traditional food.
Day of candles, Colombia	
	The Day of the Candles, or Día de las Velas, is a Colombian tradition celebrated on December 7th. It's a night of religious devotion and community bonding, where people light candles and place them outside their homes. The tradition is said to have originated as a way to guide the Virgin Mary to Bethlehem. It's a time for reflection, prayer, and sharing stories with loved ones.



Inti Raymi, Ecuador



Inti Raymi is an Andean celebration that honors the sun god Inti. In addition to Ecuador, it is also celebrated in countries such as Peru and Bolivia, around the winter solstice (June 21). The festival is filled with colorful parades, traditional

music and dances. Communities join together to give thanks for the harvest and ask for blessings for the next agricultural cycle.

1. What is the main activity during Hanami? A) Visiting temples B) Having picnics under cherry blossoms C) Watching fireworks D) Flying kites	2. What do families place on the altars during the Day of the Dead? A) Gifts and toys B) Flowers, food, and photographs C) Candles and water D) Lights and lanterns
3. Where is the Day of the Candles primarily celebrated? A) Mexico B) Japan C) Colombia D) Ecuador	4. In which month is Inti Raymi celebrated? A) March B) June C) September D) December
5. When do cherry blossoms typically bloom in Japan? A) Summer B) Winter C) Spring D) Autumn	6. When is the Day of the Dead celebrated? A) October 31st and November 1st B) December 7th and 8th C) November 1st and 2nd D) January 1st and 2nd



7. Which god is honored during Inti Raymi?

- A) The moon god
- B) The rain god
- C) The sun god
- D) The wind god

8. What do people do during the Day of the Candles?

- A) Build altars
- B) Light candles outside their homes
- C) Set off fireworks
- D) Dance in the streets

