

HOLIDAYS & TIME CLAUSES

Christmas

Christmas is a special day when people celebrate with their families and loved ones. It is a joyful time when children receive presents and enjoy eating delicious food like cookies, turkey, and sweets.

Before Christmas, my family often prepares by buying gifts, decorating our house, and cooking special meals. On Christmas Eve, we have dinner together or go to church. When Christmas Day arrives, children wake up early and open their presents.

After opening gifts, my family usually shares a big meal and spend time talking, playing games, or watching movies together.



Halloween

Halloween is a fun night when I wear a costume and enjoy spending time with my friends and family. It is a special celebration when children go from house to house and ask for candy, and I really like watching their costumes.

Before Halloween, I usually prepare my costume and decorate my house with pumpkins and scary decorations. Sometimes, I help my family put lights and make the house look spooky.

On Halloween night, I like to take photos, eat sweets, and watch movies. When children come to my house, I give them candy and say "Happy Halloween!"



Grammar Focus

Relative Clauses of Time (WHEN)

We use WHEN to give more information about a time (day, night, moment).

Structure: Noun (time) + when + subject + verb

Examples:

- Christmas is a day when people celebrate with family.
- Halloween is a night when children wear costumes.

Adverbial Clauses of Time

We use these to show when something happens.

Common words: when, after, before

Examples:

- When people celebrate Christmas, they eat special food.
- After children get candy, they go home.
- Before Halloween starts, people decorate their houses.

Exercise 1: Choose the correct word (when / after / before)

1. _____ people celebrate Christmas, they give presents.
2. _____ Halloween starts, people decorate their houses.
3. _____ children wear costumes, they look funny.
4. _____ kids get candy, they feel happy.

Exercise 2: Match the sentences

1. Christmas is a day a. when children wear costumes
2. Halloween is a night b. when people celebrate with family
3. After people eat dinner c. they open presents
4. Before Halloween d. people decorate their houses

Exercise 3: Complete the sentences

1. Christmas is a day _____ families eat together.
2. _____ Halloween begins, people prepare costumes.
3. _____ children say 'trick or treat,' they get candy.
4. Halloween is a night _____ people have fun.

Exercise 4: Write your own sentences

1. when → _____
2. before / after → _____

Exercise 5: True or False

1. Halloween is a day when people wear costumes. ____
2. Christmas is a time when people give presents. ____
3. After Halloween, children get candy. ____
4. Before Christmas, people decorate their houses. ____