

## Memorial day and Independence day

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### Memorial Day

**Memorial** day (Yom Hazikaron) is the **national remembrance** day observed in Israel for the **soldiers** and **citizens** who fell since 1860, when Jews began to live outside the city walls of Jerusalem.<sup>[8]</sup> In May 2016 the numbers of the **victims** reached 23,447.

National **memorial** services are held in the presence of Israel's top leadership and military personnel. The day starts with a **siren** in the evening before at 20:00 (8:00 pm). The siren is heard all over the country and lasts for one minute, during which Israelis stop everything (including driving, which stops highways) and stand in silence, **commemorating** the **fallen** and showing respect. The official ceremony to mark the opening of the day takes place at the **Western Wall**,<sup>[12]</sup> and the **flag of Israel** is lowered to **half staff**.

A two-minute siren is sounded at 11:00 the following morning, which marks the opening of the official memorial **ceremonies** and private remembrance gatherings at each **cemetery** where soldiers are buried.<sup>[13]</sup> Many Israelis visit the **resting places** of loved ones throughout the day. The day officially draws to a close at sundown (between 19:00 and 20:00; 7-8 p.m.) in a ceremony at the national military cemetery on **Mount Herzl**, marking the start of **Israel Independence Day**.

Scheduling Memorial Day right before Independence Day is intended to remind people of the price paid for independence and of what was achieved with the

soldiers' sacrifice.<sup>[16]</sup> This transition shows the importance of this day among Israelis, most of whom have served in the armed forces or have a connection with people who were killed during their military service.

Fill in the blanks by using the glossary

The \_\_\_\_\_ Day is a national \_\_\_\_\_ day for those who fell in Israel \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ of terror attacks since 1860. The memorial day begins at 20:00 with a one minute \_\_\_\_\_. The next day, at 11:00, a two minute siren is \_\_\_\_\_ all over the country, which marks the official memorial services. Many Israelis visit the \_\_\_\_\_ of loved ones. The day officially ends at 20:00 with a \_\_\_\_\_ at the national military cemetery on Mount Herzl marking the opening of Israel \_\_\_\_\_ Day.

memorial	national	citizens - אזרחים	soldiers - חילים	נהל - fell
victims	leadership - מנהיגות	military	siren	heard - להישמע
fallen - נופלים	independence - עצמאות -	ceremony - טקס	cemetery - בית קברות	resting place - מקום קבורה
remembrance - זיכרון -				

## Independence Day

Israeli Independence Day (Yom Haatzmaut), a day of great **celebration** held every year in late April or early May - on the day (in the Hebrew calendar) which, in 1948, Israel **declared** its independence. Across Israel, **events** and celebrations take place to mark Independence - both on a national scale and on a more local scale, with almost every city, town, and village, having some sort of celebration. In 2017, Israeli Independence Day) falls from sundown on May 1, to sundown on May 2.

The major State Ceremony for Yom Haatzmaut takes place on the eve of Yom Haatzmaut at **Mount Herzl**, Israel's National Ceremony in Jerusalem. This event marks the end of Yom Hazikaron (Israel's memorial day, which falls immediately before), and the beginning of the celebration for Yom Haatzmaut. The ceremony involves performances, speeches, and a ceremonial lighting of twelve **torches** which **symbolizes** the Twelve **tribes** of Israel by twelve citizens who have made a great impact upon the country. At the same time, towns and cities across the country have parties and firework displays.

Yom Haatzmaut is a real family day, and Israelis flock to Israel's National Parks, hiking trails, and beauty spots, for barbecues and picnics.

Fill in the blanks by using the glossar

Independence Day is a day of great \_\_\_\_\_ held every year in late April or early May. \_\_\_\_\_ Day takes place in order to celebrate the

\_\_\_\_\_ of the State of Israel in 1948. Across Israel, there are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ scale celebrations. Towns and cities across the country have parties and \_\_\_\_\_ displays.

independence- עצמאותות	citizens - חגיגה -	declaration - הצהרה	
national - לאומי	local מקומי - local	fireworks - ציקוקי דינור	

What do you think?

In your opinion why do you think there is a transition (מעבר) between memorial day and independence day?

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Memorial Day	Independence Day



A DAY TO  
REMEMBER  
ISRAEL'S  
FALLEN SOLDIERS

COMMUNITY-WIDE MEMORIAL CEREMONY

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SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017  
5 IYAR, 5777 | 5:00 PM

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