

“Holidays and traditions” (Year 5)

1. Read the text and then read the statements. Write if the statements are *true* or *false*.

Jeremy tells about his birthday memories:

«Our family’s birthday traditions in England were always full of sweets and good cheer. My family prepared lots of food for the occasion. There were lots of various sweets in the house. And always, a freshly baked chocolate cake served with warm, homemade jam!

The birthday party officially began with serving the cake and blowing out candles.

One very popular game we played during birthdays was «pass the parcel». The children sat in a circle and passed a parcel wrapped in multiple layers of newspaper (a parent played music as we did this) to each other. When the music stopped, whichever child was holding the parcel would unwrap a layer of news-paper. At the end, the child who unwrapped the last sheet of newspaper got to keep the prize!

The prizes were normally little things, so our parents often cheated to make sure that each child got to have at least one.

I’m not a child any more, but I still smile when I remember those birthday games and sweets.»

- 1) They didn’t usually have many sweets at home on birthdays. True / False
- 2) A freshly baked chocolate cake was one of the birthday traditions in Jeremy’s family. True / False
- 3) «Pass the parcel» was the title of a birthday song. True / False
- 4) Jeremy is still a child. True / False

2. Fill in the prepositions *in/ on/ at*.

- 1) My birthday is Sunday.
- 2) In Ukraine Christmas is January.
- 3) We celebrate Easter April or May.
- 4) Let’s meet Friday.
- 5) My sister will have a lot of work the weekend.
- 6) Halloween is the thirty-first of October.

3. Read and choose the correct item.

- 1) I ____ tennis yesterday.
a) played b) am playing c) have played
- 2) My friend ____ computer games now.
a) are playing b) is playing c) am playing
- 3) Pupils usually _____ at the lesson.
a) read b) reads c) are reading
- 4) Olena and Oksana _____ never _____ to the zoo in winter.
a) were b) have been c) has been
- 5) I _____ to school yesterday.
a) went b) go c) gone