

EXTRA CLASSES - ELEMENTARY

Mother's Day

1. Answer the question:

a) What present did you give to your mother on Mother's Day?

2. Listen to the audio and write the missing words:

In Britain the fourth _____ of Lent was called Mothering Sunday. Centuries ago, people visited their 'mother' church in their town or village on this day. Later, when young people started to leave _____ to work, and live farther away, they had a day's holiday once a _____ to visit their mother and the mother church. They took presents like _____, cake, home to their mothers. Slowly, Mothering Sunday changed to Mother's Day – a special day for _____.

During the Second World War (1939 - 1945), many _____ soldiers in Britain stayed with British families and gave their British "mothers" presents on Mothering _____.

But in _____ Mother's Day is on a different day.

An American woman called Anna Jarvis had a special service in her church to remember her mother when she died. She wanted to have a special day for _____ and many people agreed that it would be a good thing. Anna's _____ died on the second Sunday in May, and Anna wanted that day to be Mother's Day. She talked to business people and people in the government about her plan for a special day all over the USA. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson said that the _____ Sunday of May would be Mother's Day across the USA. It is also that day in Canada, Australia, and New Zealand.

Children try to do things to say 'thank you' to their mothers on that day; they give them _____ in bed, or take them out for a meal, or give them a _____.

3. Answer the questions:

a) When was Mothering Sunday celebrated?

b) What kind of presents did people take to their mothers?

c) During the Second World War, where did American soldiers stay? What tradition did they have?

d) Who was the woman responsible to create Mother's Day?

e) What do children usually do on Mother's Day?
