

Read the information on National Celebration. Then answer the questions in complete sentences.

### National celebrations

In Jamaica there are national celebrations throughout the year. These include **Labour Day**, **Emancipation Day**, **Independence Day** and **National Heroes' Day**.

**Labour Day** is celebrated on May 23 each year. On this day citizens come together in their different groups to work on projects such as painting and cleaning such places as schools, hospitals and police stations.



Every year the government decides to work on a special project. This special project is called a national project.

**Emancipation Day** comes on August 1, every year. On this day we remember our forefathers who fought to free us from slavery.



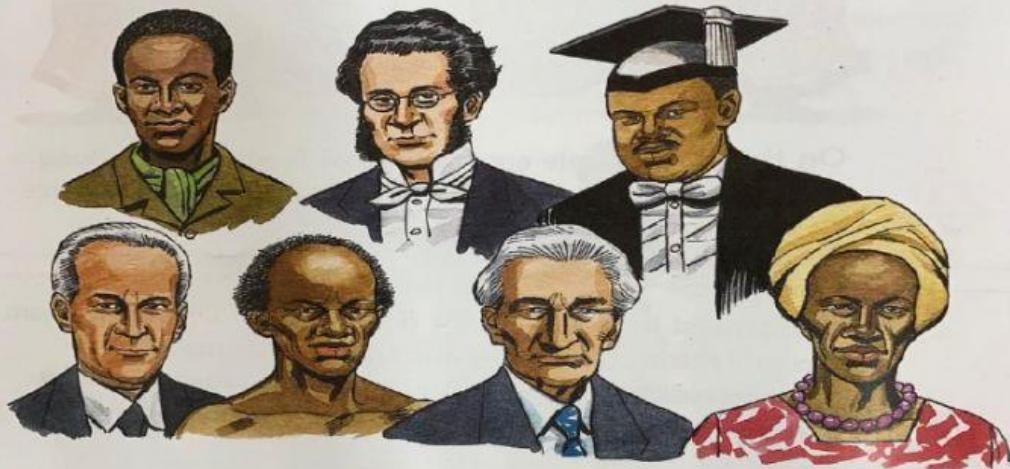
On this day, people eat traditional foods like run dung and tie-a-leaf. They also perform traditional dances like Dinki Mini, Bruckins and Folk.

On August 6, 1962 Jamaica gained her independence from Great Britain. Every year Jamaicans celebrate **Independence Day** on August 6. Like **Emancipation Day**, people eat traditional foods and dance to traditional music.



As an independent country, Jamaica is no longer ruled by Great Britain. It has its own government, makes its own laws and has its own national symbols.

**National Heroes' Day** is celebrated on the third Monday of October every year. On this day we remember our national heroes and heroine and the things that they did to make life better for us. Jamaica has six national heroes and one heroine.



Can you name these brave people?

1. In which month do we celebrate National Heroes' Day?

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2. What event do we celebrate on August 1 every year?

3. Name one traditional food that we eat on Emancipation Day?

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4. How many national heroes do we have in Jamaica?

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5. When do we celebrate Labour Day each year?

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6. In what year did freedom from slavery took place?

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7. Who is Jamaica's only national heroine?

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8. Which country did Jamaica gained her Independence from?

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9. Name one project that people do on Labour Day.

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10. Write the date in which Jamaica became independent.  
Put the month, day and year.

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