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Conv. 2

Answers

Complete these sentences with the correct idiom(s)

1. My friends and I carpool to school, so we could save money.
2. It's usually very cold in the dead of winter.
3. He got sacked, because he always came to work late.
4. I'm crazy about IU. It was love at 1st sight when we first met.
5. A: Would you ever move to Hawaii?
B: Sure! I'd move there in a heartbeat if I had the money.
6. The soccer coach gave his players a pep talk before their big match. He said, "Ok everybody! We can do it! We can win this match!~ Fighting!!!!"
7. The 2 runners finished in a dead heat. They both ran the 100 meters in 10.2 seconds.
8. Student: What's 5 x 5?
Teacher: Come on! Use your head. You know what it is!
9. One of my guilty pleasures is eating chocolate ice cream at night.
10. I felt down in the dumps after I broke up with my girlfriend.
11. My friend and I argued yesterday, but we've ironed out our differences since then.
12. A lot of people have fallen prey to covid-19 in the last 2 years.
13. A lot of older people are sitting ducks for voice phishing(보이스피싱).
14. The study group decided to brainstorm new ideas for their class project.
15. A: I think we should have in person classes again.
B: Hey! You're preaching to the choir. I've wanted in person classes for a long time.

- a. sitting ducks
- b. use your head
- c. carpool
- d. pep talk
- e. love at first sight
- f. ironed out
- g. in a heartbeat
- h. guilty pleasures
- i. fallen prey to
- j. dead of winter
- k. brainstorm
- l. dead heat
- m. down in the dumps
- n. got sacked

o. preaching to the choir

Write the meaning for these idioms in English

(www.clichelist.net)

1. don't tempt fate (don't try something that could be dangerous)
2. smooth operator (person who seems skilled and confident)
3. a short fuse (gets angry easily)
4. a shut out (not letting the other team score any points)
5. deal with it (cope or handle a difficult situation)
6. don't rock the boat (don't make a situation worse)
7. a big heart (very kind)
8. Fifty(50)Fifty(50) (even odds)
9. you snooze you lose (don't hesitate or you'll miss an opportunity)
10. dog it (to be lazy)
11. you lost me (I don't understand you)
12. take 5 (rest for a short time)
13. if you don't have anything nice to say don't say anything at all (don't say bad things about others)
14. get it, to (to understand)
15. Hump day (Wednesday / Middle of the week)

Time to celebrate!

Discuss holidays and special occasions
Describe celebrations, annual events, and customs

SNAPSHOT

HOLIDAYS AND FESTIVALS



Saint Patrick's Day
March 17th
People of Irish background wear green to celebrate their culture with parades, dancing, parties, and special foods.

Day of the Dead
November 2nd
Mexicans make playful skeleton sculptures and bake *pan de muerto* – bread of the dead.



Chinese New Year
January or February
Chinese people celebrate the lunar new year with fireworks and dragon dances.

Thanksgiving
November
In the United States, families get together, have a traditional meal, and give thanks for life and health.



Do you celebrate these or similar holidays in your country?
What other special days do you have?
What's your favorite holiday or festival?

WORD POWER Ways to celebrate

A Which word or phrase is not usually paired with each verb?
Put a line through it. Then compare with a partner.

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|-----------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. eat | candy | sweets | a mask |
| 2. give | presents | <u>a celebration</u> | money |
| 3. go to | <u>decorations</u> | a wedding | a party |
| 4. have a | picnic | <u>beach</u> | meal |
| 5. play | games | <u>candles</u> | music |
| 6. send | cards | flowers | <u>a barbecue</u> |
| 7. visit | relatives | <u>food</u> | close friends |
| 8. watch | <u>a birthday</u> | a parade | fireworks |
| 9. wear | costumes | <u>invitations</u> | traditional clothes |

B PAIR WORK Do you do any of the things in part A as part of a cultural or family celebration? When? Tell your partner.

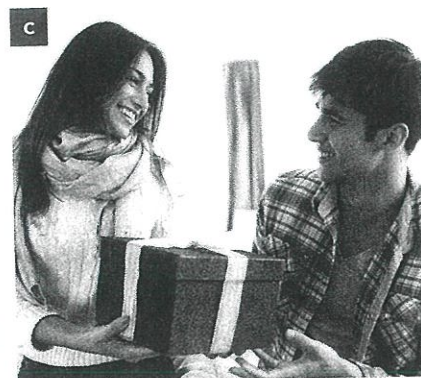
3 PERSPECTIVES Favorite celebrations

▶ A Listen to these comments about special days of the year. Match them to the correct pictures.

X 1. "My favorite celebration is Mother's Day. It's a day when my husband and my kids make pancakes for me – just like I used to make for my mom – and I get to have breakfast in bed."

2. "February 14th is the day when people give cards and presents to the ones they love. I'm really looking forward to Valentine's Day! I already have a gift for my boyfriend."

3. "New Year's Eve is a night when I have fun with my friends. We usually have a big party. We stay up all night and then go out for breakfast in the morning."



B PAIR WORK What do you like about each celebration in part A?

4 GRAMMAR FOCUS

▶ Relative clauses of time

Mother's Day is **a day** when my kids make pancakes for me.
 February 14th is **the day** when people give cards to the ones they love.
 New Year's Eve is **a night** when I have fun with my friends.

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✓ A How much do you know about these times? Complete the sentences in column A with information from column B. Then compare with a partner.

A

- Mother's Day is a day when b.
- New Year's Eve is a night when f.
- April Fools' Day is a day when d.
- Valentine's Day is a day when e.
- Labor Day is a day when d.
- Summer is a time when c.

B

- people sometimes play tricks on friends.
- people celebrate their mothers.
- many people like to go to the beach.
- people in many countries honor workers.
- people express their love to someone.
- people have parties with family and friends.

X B Complete these sentences with your own information. Then compare with a partner.

Winter is the season . . .

Birthdays are days . . .

Spring is the time of year . . .

Children's Day is a day . . .

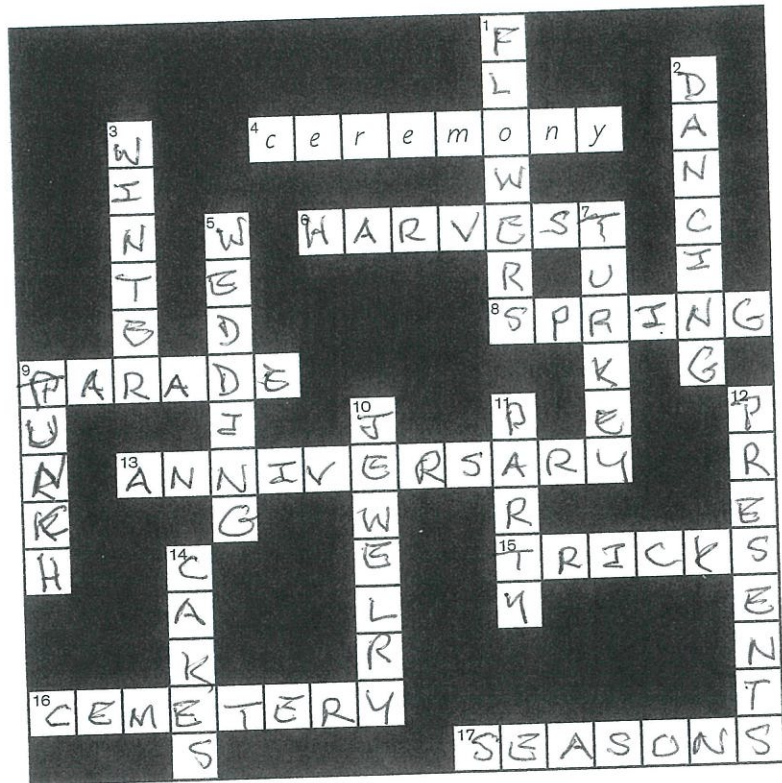
July and August are the months . . .

A wedding anniversary is a time . . .

Word puzzle: Special Days

Use words from the unit to complete the crossword puzzle.

(14) (17) (13)



- Chris and Meg's wedding ____ was in a beautiful old church.
- 6 People in the United States and Canada celebrate the ____ at Thanksgiving.
- 8 ____ is the time of year when there are a lot of weddings in the U.S.
- 9 People waited along the route for hours to see the ____ pass through the streets.
- 13 Tomorrow is my parents' twenty-fifth wedding ____.
- 15 People like to play ____ on each other on April Fools' Day.
- 16 November 2 is the day when I go to the ____ to offer food to the dead.
- 17 My favorite ____ are spring and summer.

Down

- 1 I gave my grandmother a bouquet of ____ on Mother's Day.
- 2 In my hometown, we have a music festival when everyone goes ____ in the streets. It's fun and the music is great, too.
- 3 ____ is the time of year when it is very cold and dark.
- 5 Janice and Nick are getting married soon. They plan to have a small ____ with just a few family members.
- 7 Everyone in my family eats roast ____ on Thanksgiving.
- 9 I'm really thirsty! Let's go see if there's any more fruit ____.
- 10 My wife loves ____, so I gave her a diamond bracelet on Valentine's Day.
- 11 We always have a ____ at our house on New Year's Eve.
- 12 My friends and family gave me some very nice ____ on my birthday.
- 14 For the moon festival, the Chinese eat special kinds of sweet ____ made with lots of eggs.

Matching(U.S. Holidays/Special Days)

1. Independence Day e
2. Thanksgiving h
3. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday a
4. Columbus Day i
5. April Fool's Day j
6. Easter b
7. Valentine's Day f
8. Lincoln's Birthday c
9. Labor Day g
10. President's Day d

- a. Honors African-American
- b. Christians celebrate Christ rising from the dead
- c. November 30
- d. Honors Lincoln and Washington
- e. 4th of July
- f. Couples give each other candy and flowers
- g. Last holiday of summer
- h. People eat turkey
- i. Honors the European founder of America
- j. People play jokes on each other