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My favourite time of year

- ▶ **Vocabulary** Days, months and seasons • Ordinal numbers, dates and years
- ▶ **Grammar** Question words
- ▶ **Functions** Asking for and giving personal information



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Presentation

1 011 **READ** and listen. When is Kerstin's birthday?



Kerstin Hello. I'm interested in the English Summer Camp. When is it, please?

Secretary Hi! Camp is from Friday, 30th June to 21st July, or Wednesday, 2nd to 23rd August. Which dates are good for you?

Kerstin 2nd to 23rd August, please.

Secretary OK. And what's your first name?

Kerstin It's Kerstin.

Secretary How do you spell that?

Kerstin It's K-E-R-S-T-I-N.

Secretary Thanks. What's your surname?

Kerstin Hofmann. That's H-O-F-M-A-double N.

Secretary Where are you from? Are you Swiss?

Kerstin No, I'm from Germany.

Secretary What's your email address, Kerstin?

Kerstin It's kh123@gpost.de.

Secretary Great. And how old are you?

Kerstin I'm 16. My 17th birthday is on 21st May. Who's the English teacher at the camp?

Secretary His name's Jamie. He's very nice.

Kerstin Great! See you in August!



2 **True or False? Write T or F. Correct the false sentences.**

0 The summer camp is in July and August. *F It's in June, July and August.*

1 The camp starts on a Friday or a Wednesday.

2 Her surname is Kerstin.

3 She's Swiss.

4 She's 16 years old.

5 Her birthday is in March.

6 Jamie is the English teacher.

3 **Role-play the dialogue in pairs.**

Keep it real

How do you spell that? *Come si scrive?*

He's very nice. *È molto gentile/simpatico.*

See you (in August)! *Ci vediamo (ad agosto)!*

Vocabulary Days, months and seasons

4 012 Number the days in the correct order. Then listen, check and repeat.

..... Friday Sunday Saturday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 1 Monday

Culture tip!

In the USA and Canada (as well as other countries, like Japan), Sunday is considered the first day of the week.

5 013 Write the missing months in the calendar. Then listen, check and repeat.

April | June | November | August | October | May | February | March

1 January	2	3	4 <i>April</i>	5	6
7 July	8	9 September	10	11	12 December

6 014 Match the seasons to the photos. Then write the months below each season. Then listen and check.

summer | autumn | winter | spring

A *spring*
 *March,*
 *April,*
 *May*

B



C

D

! I giorni della settimana e i mesi iniziano sempre con la lettera maiuscola, ma non le stagioni.

Grammar ▶ Watch the Grammar animations

12 Complete the table with the question words below. Use the dialogue in Ex.1 on p.18 to help you.

Who? | What? | Why? | Where? | When? | How? | Which? | How old?

Question words	
0	<i>Why?</i> Perché?
1	Quando?
2	Chi?
3	Cosa?
4	Dove?
5	Quale?
6	Come?
7	Quanti anni?

Si usano i pronomi e avverbi interrogativi per fare domande. Si mettono all'inizio della frase.

Se il verbo è accompagnato da una preposizione, quest'ultima si mette alla fine della frase:
Where are you from?

Grammar reference p.222

! Si usa *why* per porre una domanda. Si usa *because* per rispondere.
'Why is she happy?' **Because** it's her birthday.'

13 Complete the mini-dialogues with a question word. Use each question word once.

- 0 ' *How* are you?'
'I'm fine, thanks.'
- 1 ' _____ is Anjali from?'
'India.'
- 2 ' _____ is your friend?'
'His name's Marco.'
- 3 ' _____ is your English lesson?'
'It's tomorrow at 9 a.m.'
- 4 ' _____ is your address?'
'It's 3 Kings Road.'
- 5 ' _____ month has 28 days?'
'February.'
- 6 ' _____ is Leo?'
'He's 16.'
- 7 ' _____ are you interested in art?'
'Because it's fun!'

14 Reorder the words to make questions.

- 0 friend's house? is Where your
Where is your friend's house?
- 1 How is the school? old
- 2 is famous? she Why
- 3 your favourite teacher? is Who
- 4 Matteo's When birthday? is
- 5 her name? What is
- 6 Which favourite season? is their

15 Write the words in the correct circle.

Ms Green | name | phone number | at school |
in the UK | email address | in summer | our teacher |
17th April | your friend | in January | in London

Pronunciation The alphabet

16a **▶ 018** Write the missing letters. Then listen and repeat.

A *B* C D _____ F G
 _____ J _____ L _____ N
 P Q _____ S T _____
 _____ W X _____

b **▶ 019** Write the letters in the correct columns in the table. Then listen, check and repeat.

eɪ	iː	e	aɪ	əʊ	uː	aː
A	B	F	I	O	Q	R
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

17 **▶ 020** Listen and write the man's first name and surname.

First name: _____ Surname: _____

18 **SPEAK** In pairs. Practise spelling your name and surname. Use the example to help you.

- A What's your first name? B It's Ginevra.
 A How do you spell that? B G-I-N-E-V-R-A.

Functions Asking for and giving personal information

Giving personal information

Giving the spelling of names

> Per le doppie lettere, si dice *double* + la lettera:
'My surname is Banner. That's B-A-double N-E-R.'

Saying phone numbers

> Si usa *double* anche per due numeri e si dice *oh* invece di zero:
07796 545478 → 'My phone number is oh double seven nine six five four five four seven eight.'

Saying email addresses

> Per gli indirizzi email si dice:
@ at . dot _ underscore - dash
Olly1@mailme.com → 'My email address is Olly one at mailme dot com.'

19 021 Read the language box. Then listen and write the name, phone number or email address you hear.

0 *Christina Fellows*

20 022 Match the questions to the answers. Then listen and check.

- 1 What's your name? *D*
- 2 How do you spell that?
- 3 What's your date of birth?
- 4 What's your nationality?
- 5 What's your phone number?
- 6 What's your email address?

- A It's 047 246 8706.
- B It's 19th January 2002.
- C I'm Italian, from Rome.
- D It's Luigi Rossi.
- E It's lrossi@fastmail.it.
- F That's L-U-I-G-I-R-O-double S-I.

21 **SPEAK** Complete the registration form for you or a fictional character. Then, in pairs, ask and answer questions about the information.

Registration Form	
First Name	<input type="text"/>
Surname	<input type="text"/>
Date Of Birth	<input type="text"/>
Nationality	<input type="text"/>
Phone number	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>

A What's your first name? B My first name's Peter.

A What's your surname? B It's Parker.

Reading

22 023 **READ** the travel blog on p.23 and complete the text with the countries below.

China | Spain | the USA | Wales

23 Read the travel blog again and answer the questions.

- 0 Where is St Valentine's Day celebrated? *around the world*
- 1 What is St Dwynwen's Day similar to?
- 2 What are love spoons decorated with?
- 3 When is Sant Jordi?
- 4 What are the two traditional gifts for Sant Jordi?
- 5 In which month is Qixi usually celebrated?
- 6 What are *Qiaoguo*?

Listening

24 024 **LISTEN** to a teenager talking about her favourite time of year. Complete the sentences with a word or number.

- 0 Katherine is *fifteen* years old.
- 1 Her favourite season is the
- 2 Her last day of school is usually in
- 3 Her first day of school is around August.
- 4 Her birthday is on 20th
- 5 Her birthday is also the last day of
- 6 Her favourite celebration is on July.

Speaking

25 **SPEAK** Think of an important day or celebration in your country. Make notes and then ask and answer the questions in pairs or small groups.

- What is it?
- When is it?
- How do people celebrate?

A What is it?

B My celebration is Ferragosto. It's a summer holiday here in Italy ...

Celebrations of love and friendship

Every year on 14th February, people around the world celebrate St Valentine's Day. In English-speaking countries, like the UK and ⁰ *the USA*, people usually give small gifts, like flowers, chocolates and teddy bears¹. And they send cards (called 'valentines') and messages to friends and other people they love.

Here are three other festivities that celebrate love and friendship.



St Dwynwen's Day

Where is it celebrated?

¹

What is it?

St Dwynwen's Day (or *Dydd Santes Dwynwen* in Welsh) is the country's version of St Valentine's Day. St Dwynwen, a fourth-century Welsh princess, is their patron saint of lovers.

When is it?

25th January.

How do people celebrate?

People give cards and gifts, including 'love spoons'. These traditional wooden spoons² are decorated with romantic symbols.

Sant Jordi

Where is it celebrated?

The Catalonia region of ²

What is it?

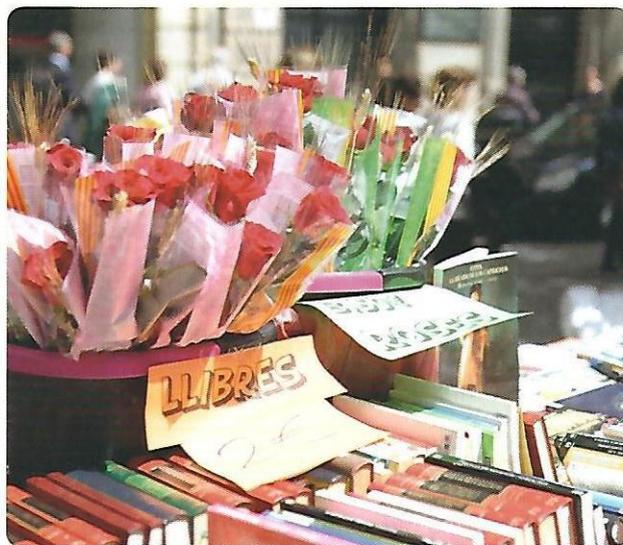
Sant Jordi (St George's Day) is a day of culture and love.

When is it?

23rd April.

How do people celebrate?

Traditionally, men receive a book and women a rose. But today people give roses and books to friends, partners and family. There's music and dancing, and the streets of Barcelona are full of people.



Qixi

Where is it celebrated?

³ and other parts of Asia.

What is it?

A festival of love that's over 2,000 years old!

When is it?

It is on the 7th day of the 7th month in the lunar calendar (between 31st July and 29th August).

How do people celebrate?

Today people usually give cards and gifts, but there are many old traditions, like eating sweet pastries³ called *Qiaoguo*.