



Stay-at-home RESOURCE PACKS for Year 5 and YEAR 6



How to use this pack:

1. This pack is intended for Year 5 and Year 6 students and focuses on the theme '**Feasts and Celebrations**'.
2. You might wish to follow the guidelines below:

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3. We hope you find this resource pack useful. Any suggestions or feedback would be appreciated. Feel free to contact Ms Pamela Zerafa (Education Officer):
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Listening Task

Listening Task 1

Listen to some interesting information on how Easter is celebrated in the UK.

PROCEDURE

- a) First the students read the questions.
- b) Adult reads the text below. The text is heard for the first time. (The students may start writing if they wish to.)
- c) Students attempt to answer the question.
- d) Read the text. Text is heard for the second time.
- e) Students try to complete all of the task.
- f) Final revision of answers.

Easter is the most important festival of the year for Christians. Easter is in spring when flowers are beginning to grow and there are lambs in the fields. It is in March or April. It is not on the same day every year. On Good Friday some people go to church. Jesus Christ died on this day. In the UK, people eat special buns on this day. They are called hot cross buns. They have a cross on top of them.

It is a holiday for everyone. People don't go to work on Good Friday or Easter Monday. Children get two weeks holiday from school.

On Easter Sunday, families often go to church. In the UK, mums and dads often hide chocolate eggs in the garden. They say the Easter Bunny has left them. The children love looking for them and eating them!

Exercise 1: Listen to the text and match the sentences, The first one is done for you.

1 Easter is	a) to church on Good Friday.
2 Easter is not	b) in the garden.
3 People eat	c) in spring.
4 Children don't go	d) on the same day every year.
5 Some people go	e) chocolate eggs at Easter.
6 Children look for	f) to school at Easter.

Exercise 2: Listen to the text and say whether these sentences are True (T) or False (F).

	True / False
1. Easter is an important festival for everyone in the world.	
2. Easter usually falls in May.	
3. In the UK, people eat Figolli.	
4. Children do not go to school for a fortnight.	
5. The Easter Bunny hides the cholate eggs.	

Exercise 3: Which of the following videos would they be interested in after listening to this? Tick (☑) the correct answer.


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Reading Tasks

A: Read the following text about a popular celebration: CHRISTMAS



Christmas

Traditionally, the last Sunday in November is called *stir-up Sunday*. People made their **Christmas puddings** on this day. Everybody in the family took a turn at stirring the pudding. Then the cook put a silver coin in the mixture. On Christmas Day, somebody got the piece of pudding with the silver coin in it. It was supposed to bring good luck!

Nowadays, most people buy their Christmas puddings in a supermarket, but many people still make a traditional Christmas cake. The recipe contains dried fruit, nuts and spices like **cinnamon, cloves** and **nutmeg**. It's covered in marzipan and **icing**, and it's delicious! Many families have their own special recipes. The Christmas cake is kept until Christmas Day.





People also bake **mince pies**. These are little sweet pies made of pastry, with a filling of apples, nuts, dried fruit and spices. Traditionally, mince pies are decorated with a star. These pies are delicious – but they don't last long! People eat them from the beginning of December.




1. State whether these statements are True (T) or False (F):
 - a. Stir up Sunday is an old tradition – not everyone does it now. _____
 - b. Nobody makes Christmas puddings any more. _____
 - c. All Christmas cake recipes are the same. _____
 - d. Mince pies have some of the same ingredients are the Christmas cake. _____
 - e. Mince pies are only eaten on Christmas Day. _____
2.
 - a) Christmas puddings are made on _____.
 - b) The Christmas cake is eaten on _____.
 - c) Mince pies are eaten _____.
3. Tick (✓) the right column.

	Christmas pudding	Christmas cake	mince pies
a) can contain a coin			
b) covered in marzipan			
c) all family members stir the ingredients			
d) has a star on top			
e) pastry pies			

B:Read the following text about a popular celebration: Carnival

Towns all over Britain have a carnival every year in the summer. It's a day of fun and entertainment, and everybody in the town joins in!



Many carnivals have a different theme every year, for example fairy tales or superheroes! People dress up in costumes and decorate the town's important buildings with colourful flags on string, called **bunting**.



The main event is the carnival parade! A long line of decorated vehicles called **floats** drive slowly through the town, with performers and dancers on them. They're followed by **marching bands** and more people in costumes. Everybody loves watching them!



One of the oldest traditions is to vote for the **carnival queen**. Any girl in the town can enter the competition. The carnival queen wears a beautiful dress and carries flowers. She walks through the town, or sometimes she rides in a carriage.

In the town centre, there are **stalls** selling traditional food and summer treats, like strawberries and cream. Some towns have a **funfair**. Carnival time is fun for everybody!



2. From the text find:

- a) two Carnival themes _____
- b) a general word for all kinds of transport _____
- c) three people or groups that move during the Carnival

- d) a word for a small shop in a market that sells food _____

3. Fill in with ONE word from the text:

Carnival in Britain is celebrated in a) _____. People wear b) _____ and attend the c) _____ which consists of floats, performers, dancers and d) _____. Girls can participate in the Carnival queen e) _____. For this occasion, towns are decorated with f) _____ and stalls are set up selling g) _____ food. Some even have a h) _____.

SPEAKING TASKS

Speaking Task 1 - Inverted Interview

Tell the child while placing the picture in front of them: “I want you to look at this photo. Now, I know the people in the photo. You can ask me questions about them and I will answer. Would you like to know about them?” If a student does not know what to ask, the adult can use prompts such as:

- The place
- The event
- The relationship between these young people
- Their feelings at this moment
- The moments just before the picture was taken
- What happened after the picture was taken
- What their friends said to them after the event
- Their hobbies; free time; family; home
- My opinion of the event you can see in this picture
- Is there anything else you wish to ask me about this picture?



Picture 1

Repeat the task
for Picture 2.



Picture 2

Speaking Task 2 – PowerPoint Presentation

Look at the different celebrations from around the world. Pick one and make a Power Point presentation about it to your family. The following links can help

you: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3-uh_HSM2xI

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Sv0ac-W8Vc>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSyXiAeYnC8>

WRITING TASKS

Short Writing Task

Menu

At home, you are going to honour a popular celebration from Malta or around the world (e.g. Christmas, birthday, Saint Joseph's feast, Thanksgiving). Create a menu to share with your family and friends.



OR

Poster

Create a poster to announce an Easter Activity you are organising in your local village.



OR

Invitation

Next month is your birthday and you are going to organise a costume party. Write an invitation to your best friend.



This writing frame can help you plan your invitation.

Writing Frame - Invitations

Dear _____

You are invited to celebrate

Date: _____

Time: _____

About the celebration: _____

RSVP: _____

From: _____

Long Writing Tasks

Informal email

You have just celebrated a particular occasion with your loved ones (e.g. a christening, a wedding, a graduation, an anniversary, a birthday, Holy Communion ...). Write an email to your aunt Clara who lives in Austria and tell her how you celebrated this special occasion. The template below can help you plan your work.

What was the celebration for?

Can you describe the atmosphere at this celebration?

What made this celebration so important to you?

My favourite celebration is:

Who did you celebrate with?

How old were you?

Why?

This writing frame can help you plan your email.

Writing Frame – Informal Email

The screenshot shows the top part of an email client window. At the top are buttons for 'Send', 'Attach', 'Save Draft', 'Spelling', and 'Cancel'. Below these are three input fields: 'To:', 'Cc:', and 'Subject:'. To the right of the 'To:' field is a 'Show BCC' button, and to the right of the 'Subject:' field is a 'Plain Text' button. Below the input fields is a toolbar with a font dropdown set to 'Arial', a size dropdown set to '12', and various icons for bold, italic, underline, text color, background color, bulleted list, numbered list, and link.

Dear _____,

← Salutation

Introduction
- greet
- refer to last email
- state why you are writing

Four sets of horizontal lines for writing the body of the email.

Closing
- sum up
- give your regards
- reason to write back.

Best wishes,

← Closing

← Your signature

LITERATURE TASKS

Read these two poems by Kenn Nesbitt. You can also listen to the poems by clicking on the two links. Then play the Kahoot quizzes on your tablet by clicking on the links found under each poem.

Valentine's Day Card



<https://www.poetry4kids.com/poems/valentines-day-card/>

I'd rather fight a tiger covered head-to-toe in gravy.
I'd rather spend a decade scrubbing toilets in the navy.
I'd rather hug a porcupine. I'd rather wrestle eels.
I'd rather run a marathon with splinters in my heels.
I'd rather sleep on mattresses of razor blades and nails.
I'd rather try to skinny dip with starving killer whales.
I'd rather be tormented by a gang of angry punks.
I'd rather share a bedroom with a family of skunks.
I'd rather dine on Brussels sprouts and spinach for a year.
I'd rather ride a camel race with blisters on my rear.
I'd rather eat a half a ton of liverwurst and lard
than say how much I like you in this Valentine's Day card.

— Kenn Nesbitt

Link for Kahoot quiz:

https://kahoot.it/challenge/0425096?challenge-id=fc800eef-9fac-4ec3-8137-9b6d6d7f4942_1585928115418

April Fool's Day

<https://www.poetry4kids.com/poems/april-fools-day/>

Mackenzie put a whoopie cushion on the teacher's chair.
Makayla told the teacher that a bug was in her hair.



Alyssa brought an apple with a purple gummy worm and gave it to the teacher just to see if she would squirm.

Elijah left a piece of plastic dog doo on the floor,
and Vincent put some plastic vomit in the teacher's drawer.

Amanda put a goldfish in the teacher's drinking glass.
These April Fool's Day pranks are ones that you could use in class.

Before you go and try them, though, there's something I should mention:
The teacher wasn't fooling when she put us in detention.

— Kenn Nesbitt

Link for Kahoot quiz:

https://kahoot.it/challenge/0931315?challenge-id=fc800eef-9fac-4ec3-8137-9b6d6d7f4942_1585929911939

Try to watch:



Try to watch **Coco** to get a glimpse on how Mexicans celebrate the Day of the Dead and **Despicable Me 2** to understand how Mexicans celebrate Cinco de Mayo.



Material adapted from

www.twinkl.com,

www.poetry4kids.com

I Wonder 4 Pupil's Book by Bob Obee

40 Listening Activities for Lower-Level Class by Scholastic

Answers

Listening Task

1) c 2) d 3) e

4) f 5) a 6) e

1) F 2) F 3) F

4) T 5) F



Reading Task – Christmas

2) 1. T, 2. F, 3. F. 4. T. 5. F

3) a) the last Sunday in November

b) Christmas cake

c) from the beginning of December

4)

	Christmas pudding	Christmas cake	mince pies
a) can contain a coin	✓		
b) covered in marzipan		✓	
c) all family members stir the ingredients	✓		
d) has a star on top			✓
e) pastry pies			✓

Reading Task – Carnival

2 a) fairy tales, superheroes b) vehicles

c) performers, dancers, Carnival queen d) stall

3 a) summer b) costumes c) parade d) marching bands

e) competition f) bunting g) traditional h) funfair