

4 Busy School Life

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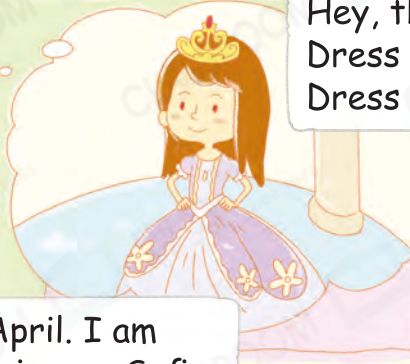


Grammar Notes

Question Word: When

Prepositions of Dates and Time: in / on

When is Dress Casual Day?



Hey, that day is called Dress 'Casual' Day, not Dress 'Up' Day!



It is **on** the third of April. I am going to dress up as Princess Sofia.

We use the question word 'When' to ask about months and dates.

When is Parents' Day?

We use the preposition 'in' to talk about months. We use the preposition 'on' to talk about dates.

It is / **in** October.

It's **on** the twelfth of October.



Grammar Tip

For dates in spoken English, we put 'the' before and 'of' after the ordinal number.

e.g. 21st October = the twenty-first of October

Warm-up



Jasper is asking Dan about the school events. Read the notice and complete their conversation with 'When', 'in' and 'on'.

① _____ is the school picnic?

③ _____ is English Month?

⑤ _____ is the talent show?

Notice

The School Picnic

10th October

English Month

February

The Talent Show

3rd June

It is ② _____ the tenth of October.

It is ④ _____ February.

It is ⑥ _____ the third of June.



Grammar Notes

Prepositions of Dates and Time: from ... to ...

We use 'from ... to ...' to talk about a period of time.

Reading Week is	from	the fifth of June	to	the ninth of June.
The Christmas party is		11 a.m.		3 p.m.



Common Errors

- ✓ The study tour is **from** the sixth of July **to** the sixteenth of July.
- ✗ The study tour is **on** the sixth of July **to** the sixteenth of July.
- ✗ The talent show is **at** 4 p.m. **to** 6 p.m.

1. Teacher's Day is **on / from** the first of November.
2. Exam Week is **on / from** the second of May **on / to** the sixth of May.
3. The singing contest is **from / at** 1:30 p.m. **to / at** 3:30 p.m.

Warm-up



Ellie is jotting down the dates of some important school events. Follow the example and add 'from' and 'to' in the correct places in each sentence with a '^'.

e.g. Exam Week is ^{from} 9th June ^{to} 15th June.

1. Parents' Day is 9 a.m. 3 p.m. on 30th June.
2. The winter camp is the first of December the third of December.
3. The English drama is 3:30 p.m. 4:15 p.m. on the last day of March.
4. The swimming lesson starts at 5 p.m. Monday Friday.
5. The Chinese New Year holidays are 12th February 15th February.
6. Reading Week is 12th October 16th October.
7. Open Day is 8:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. on 17th June.
8. The Christmas market is 19th December 27th December.



Practice



Matt and Dan are talking about the coming school activities. Complete their conversation with 'When' and the correct prepositions of dates and time.



: Dan, there are so many school events! ① _____ is the school picnic?



: Let me see. Well, it is ② _____ the nineteenth of November.



: That's great! I like having barbecues with you guys. ③ _____ is Sports Day?



: I think it is ④ _____ May. It is ⑤ _____ the twenty-fifth of May.



: Okay. ⑥ _____ is Exam Week then?



: It is ⑦ _____ the eleventh of June _____ the fifteenth of June.



: What time does our school open during Exam Week?



: Our school opens ⑧ _____ 8 a.m. _____ 3 p.m. during Exam Week.



: Thank you, Dan. Let's work hard to prepare for the exams.

Proofreading



There is one mistake in each question. Correct the underlined mistakes for Questions 1-2. Underline and correct the mistakes for Questions 3-9.

1. Where is the Christmas party? It's on 22nd December. 1. _____
2. Parents' Day is on a third of June. 2. _____
3. English Week is on the sixth of May to the tenth of May. ③ 3. _____
4. The talent show is at November. We have to practise for it. 4. _____
5. Science Month is from 15th February on 14th March. 5. _____
6. Open Day and the school picnic are both on September. 6. _____
7. When is Reading Week and Environmental Week? ⑦ 7. _____
8. When is the Dragon Boat Festival? ⑧ 8. _____
It is on the fifth month of the lunar calendar.
9. Music Week is from 21st January the 25th January. 9. _____



Hint: Q7

Pay attention to the subjects of the question.

Grammar in Context

Text Type:
E-mail

E Ellie is writing an e-mail to her grandpa about her busy life in school. Complete the e-mail with 'When' and the correct prepositions of dates and time.



Mailbox



Send

Sender: Ellie <elliemok@happymail.com>

Recipient: Grandpa Ben <benmagic@newmail.com>

Subject: My Busy School Life!

Dear Grandpa,

How are you? Are you busy lately? I hope you are well!

I miss you and Grandma very much. ❶ _____ is our next family gathering? I hope it is ❷ _____ this month because Jasper and I want to see you soon.

Let me share my school life with you. The swimming gala ended ❸ _____ April.

Jasper got two medals this year! Many school events are coming. We are going to have our exams ❹ _____ June. Exam Week is ❺ _____ the eighth of June

_____ the twelfth of June. I have to prepare and work hard for it, so I study ❻ _____ 8 p.m. _____ 9 p.m. every day after school. The talent show is ❼ _____ the twenty-sixth of June. It is ❽ _____

_____ (2 p.m. - 5 p.m.) I am going to perform a song called 'Lemon Tree' with two

of my classmates. We are going to have our final rehearsal ❹ _____ (25th June). We are looking forward to singing the song on stage!

My life is really busy these days. ❿ _____ is my holiday? Luckily, summer holidays are going to start ⓫ _____ July. I can relax and hang out with my

friends. Dad told me that Grandma and you are travelling to Taiwan. ⓬ _____ is your trip? Can Jasper and I come with you?

Please write soon.

Love,
Ellie



Hint: Q9

Write the date in spoken format.



Hint: Q2

Pay attention to the keywords 'this month'.

