


WHAT IS Independence Day? READING COMPREHENSION




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TRADITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS
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WHAT IS INDEPENDENCE DAY?
Independence Day is a special day for Americans. It's a day when we celebrate something very important in our country's history. Let's learn more about what Independence Day is.



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THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
In 1776, the leaders of the thirteen American colonies wrote a special document called the Declaration of Independence. This document said that the colonies didn't want to be ruled by Britain anymore. They wanted to be their own country, with their own rules and freedoms. So, they declared their independence on July 4th.

WHY JULY 4TH?
July 4th is a special date because it's the day the Declaration of Independence was officially approved and signed by the leaders of the colonies. We celebrate Independence Day on this day each year.



CELEBRATING FREEDOM
Independence Day is a day to celebrate Freedom and Independence. Americans love to celebrate this day because it's a day of our country's history and the brave men and women who fought for Freedom.

**READING COMPREHENSION
MCQ'S
QUESTIONS
ANSWER KEY**

READING PASSAGES WITH TEXT DEPENDENT QUESTIONS

WHAT IS INDEPENDENCE DAY?

Independence Day is a special day for Americans. It's a time when we celebrate something very important: freedom! Let's learn more about what Independence Day is all about.



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CELEBRATING FREEDOM

Independence Day is a time to celebrate the freedom and independence that we enjoy as Americans. It's a day to be proud of our country's history and the brave people who fought for our freedom.

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TRADITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS

On Independence Day, people celebrate in many different ways. Some people have picnics or barbecues with their families and friends. Others watch parades with colorful floats and marching bands. And of course, there are fireworks! Fireworks light up the sky in beautiful colors, making the night sparkle with joy and celebration.



PATRIOTIC SYMBOLS

You'll see lots of patriotic symbols on Independence Day. The most important one is the American flag, with its stars and stripes. People also decorate with red, white, and blue, the colors of our flag. These symbols remind us of the freedom and unity that make our country special.

CONCLUSION

Independence Day is a day to remember and celebrate the freedom and independence of our country. It's a time to be grateful for the brave people who fought for our freedom and to appreciate the rights and freedoms we have today. So, on July 4th, let's celebrate with joy and pride!

READING COMPREHENSION

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WHAT IS INDEPENDENCE DAY?

DIRECTIONS CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

I. What is Independence Day?

- a) A day to honor military veterans
- b) A celebration of Freedom and independence in the United States
- c) A day dedicated to honoring British rule
- d) A day to commemorate the signing of the Constitution

2. When is Independence Day celebrated in the United States?

- a) July 1st
- b) July 2nd
- c) July 3rd
- d) July 4th

3. What event does Independence Day commemorate?

- a) The signing of the Constitution
- b) The end of the American Civil War
- c) The Declaration of Independence from British rule
- d) The ratification of the Bill of Rights

4. What important document was written in 1776?

- a) The Constitution
- b) The Emancipation Proclamation
- c) The Declaration of Independence
- d) The Gettysburg Address

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is the significance of July 4th?
2. How do people celebrate Independence Day?
3. What is the main theme of Independence Day?
4. What are some patriotic symbols associated with Independence Day?
5. Why is the Declaration of Independence important in American history?

5. Why is July 4th significant?

- a) It marks the birthday of a prominent American
- b) It's the date the Constitution was signed
- c) It's the day the Declaration of Independence was signed
- d) It's the day the British surrendered during the Revolutionary War

6. How do people celebrate Independence Day?

- a) By exchanging gifts
- b) By attending religious ceremonies
- c) By having picnics or barbecues, watching parades, and enjoying fireworks
- d) By planting trees

7. Which patriotic symbol is mentioned in the text?

- a) The Statue of Liberty
- b) The Washington Monument
- c) The American Flag
- d) The Liberty Bell

8. What do the colors red, white, and blue represent on the American flag?

- a) The colors of the British flag
- b) The colors of the original thirteen colonies
- c) The colors of the French flag
- d) The colors of the Confederate flag

9. What is the main purpose of Independence Day celebrations?

- a) To commemorate a historical battle
- b) To honor American astronauts
- c) To celebrate the bravery of American soldiers during the Revolutionary War and the signing of the Declaration of Independence
- d) To promote international cooperation

10. Which option best summarizes the main idea of the passage?

- a) July 4th is a day to mourn the losses of war and express political dissent.
- b) July 4th is a day to celebrate the nation's history and promote international cooperation.
- c) July 4th is a day to celebrate the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the formation of the United States.
- d) July 4th is a day to celebrate the bravery of American soldiers during the Revolutionary War.

ANSWER KEY

MCQ'S

1. b) A celebration of freedom and independence in the United States
2. d) July 4th
3. c) The Declaration of Independence from British rule
4. c) The Declaration of Independence was signed
5. c) It's the day the Declaration of Independence was signed
6. c) By having picnics or barbecues, watching parades, and enjoying fireworks
7. c) The American flag
8. b) The colors of the original thirteen colonies
9. b) To honor American astronauts
10. c) To celebrate the nation's history and freedom

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. July 4th is significant because it's the day the Declaration of Independence was officially approved and signed by the leaders of the colonies.
2. People celebrate Independence Day by having picnics or barbecues, watching parades with colorful floats and marching bands, and enjoying fireworks.
3. The main theme of Independence Day celebrations is to celebrate the freedom and independence of the country.
4. Patriotic symbols associated with Independence Day include the American flag and decorations in red, white, and blue.
5. The Declaration of Independence is important in American history because it declared the colonies' independence from British rule and laid the foundation for the formation of the United States as a separate nation.

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ANSWER KEY INCLUDED

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