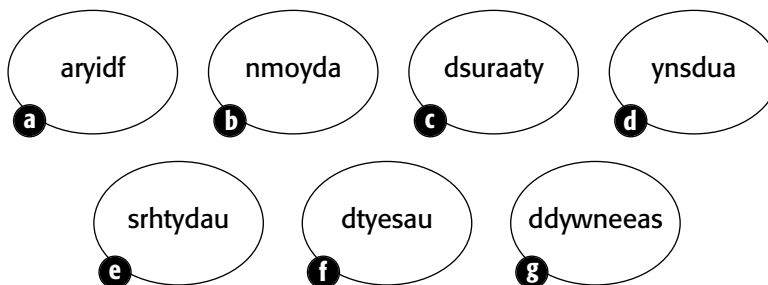


# Times of year

## 1 Days and Months

A Use the letters in the circles to find the **days of the week**. Write them in order here, starting with Monday:

- 1 Monday
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_



Look at **day** in your dictionary to see if you were right.

B Look at **month** in your dictionary to find the **months of the year**. Now fill the gaps in this rhyme:

Thirty days has S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ,  
 A \_ \_ \_ \_ , J \_ \_ \_ and dull N \_ \_ \_ \_ .  
 All the rest have thirty-one,  
 Except F \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ alone,  
 Which has twenty-eight days clear,  
 And twenty-nine in each leap year.

## 2 Special days

A Do you know when these special days happen? Match the day with the month(s), then use your dictionary to see if you were right and to find out more about them.

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| Thanksgiving (US)     | March or April |
| Thanksgiving (Canada) | December       |
| Easter                | January        |
| Christmas             | October        |
| New Year's Day        | November       |
| Halloween             | October        |

B Where do these words belong? Easter or Christmas? Put each one in the correct column.

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**C** Katie is talking about Christmas in the UK. Use some of the words and phrases from exercise 2B to fill the gaps.

I'm so excited! It's nearly Christmas! I've sent Christmas \_\_\_\_\_  
to all my friends and yesterday I bought \_\_\_\_\_ for my family.

On \_\_\_\_\_ (December 24th) Dad always puts up the Christmas tree in the sitting room, and my brother and I decorate it with coloured lights and glass balls.

When we wake up on \_\_\_\_\_, there are presents for everyone. My little brother believes that \_\_\_\_\_ brings them during the night. We go to church with our parents and sing \_\_\_\_\_, then we go to Granny and Grandpa's for Christmas \_\_\_\_\_. We eat roast \_\_\_\_\_, roast potatoes and vegetables, then Christmas \_\_\_\_\_, which is like cake made with lots of fruit. We open our presents, play games and have fun.

I really hope it snows. Last year it snowed on \_\_\_\_\_, the day after Christmas, and I made a huge snowman.



### 3 The weather

Use Picture Dictionary page P16 in your dictionary to help you complete this crossword.

When you have finished, look down the column marked with an arrow (↓) to find a sentence that is often true in Britain!

- 1 the coldest part of the year
- 2 light cloud near the ground, which is difficult to see through
- 3 when soft white pieces of frozen water are falling from the sky, it's ...
- 4 white or grey shapes in the sky that are made of drops of water
- 5 the hottest part of the year
- 6 a half circle of colours in the sky when rain and sun come together
- 7 the part of the year when plants and flowers start to grow
- 8 the time in the evening when the sun goes down
- 9 the trees are blowing around a lot because it's ...
- 10 the part of the year when the leaves change colour and start to fall off the trees (*British*)
- 11 thick cloud near the ground that is difficult to see through

