

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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# LISTENING PRACTICE

## DATES

“Earth Day is celebrated by almost 200 countries around the world on **April twenty-second.**”



- **ANSWER KEY in calendar format**

### JANUARY

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### FEBRUARY

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### APRIL

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### DECEMBER

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- **Discuss these questions with a classmate:**

1. When is your birthday?
2. Can you think of three dates that are important in your country?

# LISTENING PRACTICE

**Focus** Dates

**Level** Intermediate

## READ ALOUD



### Lead-in Question:

What does it mean when people 'celebrate' a special day?

## (ANSWERS)

1. Earth Day is celebrated by almost 200 countries around the world on **April 22** (twenty-second).
2. Children's Day in Japan is celebrated on **May 5** (fifth).
3. People in India celebrate Republic Day on **January 26** (twenty-sixth).
4. Every year in Mexico, people celebrate Mother's Day on **May 10** (tenth).
5. The National Day of Sweden is celebrated on **June 6** (sixth).
6. Teacher's Day in Thailand is celebrated on **January 16** (sixteenth).
7. Father's Day in Taiwan is celebrated every year on **August 8** (eighth).
8. In the United States, Halloween is celebrated on **October 31** (thirty-first).
9. In Argentina, the Day of Tradition is celebrated on **November 10** (tenth).
10. Women's Day in Poland is celebrated every year on **March 8** (eighth).
11. Bastille Day, the national day of France, is celebrated on **July 14** (fourteenth).
12. In Egypt, Revolution Day is celebrated on **July 23** (twenty-third).
13. The last day of Christmas is celebrated in Iceland on **January 6** (sixth).
14. Hispanic Day is celebrated every year in Spain on **October 12** (twelfth).
15. Canada celebrates its birthday on **July 1** (first).
16. New Zealand's national day, Waitangi Day, is celebrated on **February 6** (sixth).

## CHECK ANSWERS

Have a volunteer (or several volunteers) come to the board with their papers and write down the dates they heard. For example: (1) April 22 / (2) May 5 / etc. Answers will likely not be written in the same order that they were read aloud – focus instead on whether or not the correct dates are written on the board.

## LISTEN AGAIN (Country Names)

**Optional Activity:** Consider reading aloud the above sentences (or playing the audio file) a second time. Your learners should listen and write the names of the countries they hear (starting with the second sentence).