

ICE CREAM DAY

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

One of the yummiest holidays of the year must be National Ice Cream Day. It takes place in the USA on the third Sunday of July every year. It celebrates one of the world's best-loved desserts. It started in 1984 when famous ice cream lover President Ronald Reagan announced July as the National Ice Cream Month. It was certainly a good month to choose, being in the middle of summer. But even in winter, ice cream still tastes delicious. It's fitting that the USA has a national day to celebrate their favourite sweet. Americans eat more ice cream than anyone else in the world. It is probably the national dessert, along with apple pie. On this day, people will have fun making homemade ice cream and having ice cream parties.

Makers say ice cream is nutritious and good for us. There is a lot of sugar and calories in it, but otherwise, it's quite good for you. It's made of milk and has other vitamins and minerals. Ice cream is different in many countries around the world. Italians are very proud of their *gelato*, while Indians believe their *kulfi* is the tastiest. The history of ice cream is a little unclear. Historians say it arrived in Europe from China hundreds of years ago. The French and Italians designed flavoured milk ices, which made their way across the Atlantic. This is when it became known as "ice cream". The first ice cream parlor in America opened in New York City in 1776. It is now a \$3 billion industry in the USA alone.

PHRASE MATCH

Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. One of the yummiest | a. month to choose |
| 2. one of the world's best- | b. national dessert |
| 3. It was certainly a good | c. their favourite sweet |
| 4. a national day to celebrate | d. holidays of the year |
| 5. Americans eat more ice cream | e. loved desserts |
| 6. It is probably the | f. than anyone else |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. ice cream is nutritious | a. of their <i>gelato</i> |
| 2. It's made of milk and | b. in the USA alone |
| 3. Italians are very proud | c. and good for us |
| 4. Indians believe their <i>kulfi</i> | d. as "ice cream" |
| 5. This is when it became known | e. has other vitamins |
| 6. It is now a \$3 billion industry | f. is the tastiest |

LISTENING GAP FILL

_____ holidays of the year must be National Ice Cream Day. It takes place in the USA on the third Sunday of July every year. _____ the world's best-loved desserts. It started in 1984 when famous ice cream lover President Ronald Reagan announced July as the National Ice Cream Month. It was certainly a good month to choose, _____ of summer. But even in winter, ice cream still tastes delicious. It's fitting that the USA has a national day to celebrate _____. Americans eat more ice cream than anyone else in the world. It is probably the national dessert, along with apple pie. On this day, people _____ homemade ice cream and having ice cream parties.

Makers say ice cream _____ for us. There is a lot of sugar and calories in it, but otherwise, it's quite good for you. It's made of milk and has other _____. Ice cream is different in many countries around the world. Italians are _____ *gelato*, while Indians believe their *kulfi* is the tastiest. The history of ice cream is a little unclear. Historians say it arrived in Europe from China hundreds of years ago. The French and Italians _____ milk ices, which made their way across the Atlantic. This is when it became known as "ice cream". The first ice cream parlor in America opened in New York City in 1776. It is now a \$3 billion industry _____.

WHILE READING / LISTENING GAP FILL

Put the words into the gaps in the text.

One of the yummiest holidays of the year _____ be National Ice Cream Day. It takes place in the USA on the third Sunday of July every year. It celebrates one of the world's best-_____ desserts. It started in 1984 when famous ice cream _____ President Ronald Reagan announced July as the National Ice Cream Month. It was certainly a good month to choose, _____ in the middle of summer. But even in winter, ice cream still tastes delicious. It's _____ that the USA has a national day to celebrate their favourite _____. Americans eat more ice cream than anyone else in the world. It is probably the national dessert, _____ with apple pie. On this day, people will have fun _____ homemade ice cream and having ice cream parties.

being
fitting
along
must
lover
making
loved
sweet

Makers say ice cream is _____ and good for us. There is a lot of sugar and calories in it, but _____, it's quite good for you. It's made of milk and has other vitamins and minerals. Ice cream is different in many countries around the world. Italians are very _____ of their *gelato*, while Indians _____ their *kulfi* is the tastiest. The history of ice cream is a little _____. Historians say it arrived in Europe from China hundreds of years ago. The French and Italians designed flavoured milk ices, which made their _____ across the Atlantic. This is when it became known as "ice cream". The first ice cream parlor in America opened in New York City in 1776. It is now a \$3 billion _____ in the USA _____.

believe
unclear
alone
nutritious
industry
proud
otherwise
way

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs of *italics*.

One of the *yummiest / yum-yum* holidays of the year must be National Ice Cream Day. It takes place in the USA on the third Sunday of July every year. It celebrates one of the world's best-loved *deserts / desserts*. It started in 1984 when famous ice cream *loving / lover* President Ronald Reagan announced July as the National Ice Cream Month. It was certainly a good month to *choice / choose*, being in the middle of summer. But even in winter, ice cream still *tastes / tasting* delicious. It's *fitting / fit* that the USA has a national day to celebrate their favourite sweet. Americans eat more ice cream than *someone / anyone* else in the world. It is probably the national dessert, along with apple pie. On this day, people will have *funny / fun* making homemade ice cream and having ice cream parties.

Makers say ice cream is nutritious and good for *we / us*. There is a lot of sugar and calories in it, but otherwise, it's *quite / quit* good for you. It's made of milk and has other vitamins and *mineral / minerals*. Ice cream is different in many countries around the world. Italians are very *pride / proud* of their *gelato*, while Indians believe their *kulfi* is the tastiest. The history of ice cream is a *small / little* unclear. Historians say it arrived in Europe from China hundreds of years ago. The French and Italians *designer / designed* flavoured milk ices, which made their way across the Atlantic. This is when it became known *was / as* "ice cream". The first ice cream parlor in America opened in New York City in 1776. It is now a \$3 billion industry in the USA *lonely / alone*.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

One of the (1) _____ holidays of the year must be National Ice Cream Day. It takes place in the USA on the third Sunday of July every year. It celebrates one of the world's best-loved (2) _____. It started in 1984 when famous ice cream (3) _____ President Ronald Reagan announced July as the National Ice Cream Month. It was (4) _____ a good month to choose, being in the middle of summer. But even in winter, ice cream still tastes (5) _____. It's fitting that the USA has a national day to celebrate their favourite sweet. Americans eat more ice cream than anyone else in the world. It is probably the national dessert, (6) _____ with apple pie. On this day, people will have fun making homemade ice cream and having ice cream parties.

Makers say ice cream is (7) _____ and good for us. There is a lot of sugar and calories in it, but otherwise, it's quite good for you. It's made (8) _____ milk and has other vitamins and minerals. Ice cream is different in many countries around the world. Italians are very (9) _____ of their *gelato*, while Indians believe their *kulfi* is the tastiest. The history of ice cream is a (10) _____ unclear. Historians say it arrived in Europe from China hundreds of years ago. The French and Italians designed flavoured milk ices, which (11) _____ their way across the Atlantic. This is when it became known as "ice cream". The first ice cream parlor in America opened in New York City in 1776. It is now a \$3 billion industry in the USA (12) _____.

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) yum-yum | (b) yuck | (c) yummiest | (d) yam |
| 2. | (a) desserts | (b) deserted | (c) desert | (d) dessert |
| 3. | (a) lovely | (b) lover | (c) loving | (d) loved |
| 4. | (a) certainty | (b) certainly | (c) certain | (d) certain |
| 5. | (a) delicacy | (b) deliciously | (c) delicious | (d) delicacies |
| 6. | (a) long | (b) length | (c) longing | (d) along |
| 7. | (a) nutrients | (b) nutritious | (c) nutrition | (d) nutrient |
| 8. | (a) of | (b) by | (c) at | (d) to |
| 9. | (a) pride | (b) prouder | (c) proudest | (d) proud |
| 10. | (a) small | (b) few | (c) little | (d) tiny |
| 11. | (a) made | (b) took | (c) gave | (d) did |
| 12. | (a) lonely | (b) lonesome | (c) loneliness | (d) alone |

SPELLING

Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. the mysumtei holidays
2. the world's best-loved retedsss
3. It was aerynlict a good month
4. ice cream still tastes ocsieldiu
5. ebtreeacl their favourite sweet
6. making ehamedmo ice cream

Paragraph 2

7. ice cream is nitrisutuo and good for us
8. anvimist and minerals
9. Italians are very rodup
10. Indians believe their *kulfi* is the itesatts
11. it iadverr in Europe from China
12. a \$3 billion ryutndsi

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () minerals. Ice cream is different in many countries around the world. Italians are very proud
- () of July every year. It celebrates one of the world's best-loved desserts. It started in 1984 when famous ice cream lover
- () choose, being in the middle of summer. But even in winter, ice cream still tastes delicious. It's fitting that the USA has
- () say it arrived in Europe from China hundreds of years ago. The French and Italians designed flavoured milk
- (**1**) One of the yummiest holidays of the year must be National Ice Cream Day. It takes place in the USA on the third Sunday
- () calories in it, but otherwise, it's quite good for you. It's made of milk and has other vitamins and
- () fun making homemade ice cream and having ice cream parties.
- () a national day to celebrate their favourite sweet. Americans eat more ice cream than anyone else in the
- () world. It is probably the national dessert, along with apple pie. On this day, people will have
- () of their gelato, while Indians believe their kulfi is the tastiest. The history of ice cream is a little unclear. Historians
- () President Ronald Reagan announced July as the National Ice Cream Month. It was certainly a good month to
- () in America opened in New York City in 1776. It is now a \$3 billion industry in the USA alone.
- () ices, which made their way across the Atlantic. This is when it became known as "ice cream". The first ice cream parlor
- () Makers say ice cream is nutritious and good for us. There is a lot of sugar and

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. of One year the of holidays yummiest the

2. one desserts loved - best world's the of

3. It choose to month good a certainly was

4. anyone than cream ice more eat Americans else

5. have will people cream ice homemade making fun

6. is cream ice us for good and nutritious

7. are proud their Italians very of gelato

8. believe kulfi the Indians their is tastiest

9. say Historians China from Europe in arrived it

10. became known as "ice cream" This is when it

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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THE ICE CREAM DAY SURVEY

Write five questions about Ice Cream Day in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find more information about Ice Cream Day. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Ice Cream Day. Write about what happens around the world. Include two imaginary interviews with people who did something on this day.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. POSTER: Make your own poster about Ice Cream Day. Write about what will happen on this day around the world.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.