# NATIONAL JELLY BEAN DAY

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All answers are in the text on page 2.
April 22 is a very important holiday – It’s National Jelly Bean Day. Anyone who loves these delicious, flavoursome, colourful little sweets should treat themselves on this day. They should also check and make sure their family and friends are jelly bean freaks. But be careful, as we all know, jelly beans are addictive. There are many things you can do to celebrate besides eating jelly beans. Here are a few suggestions. Why not dress in the colours of your favourite jelly bean? You could have a jelly bean party and ask for friends to create their own special jelly bean dish. For real grown-ups, you could take part in a jelly bean quiz. The Internet is full of fascinating information on the history of and culture surrounding jelly beans.

Jelly beans are one of the oldest forms of candy we have. They date back to at least the mid-nineteenth century. Jelly bean historians believe the jelly bean centre originated from Turkish Delight, which comes from the Middle East. The gummy centre is made from sugar, corn syrup and other ingredients to give them their fruity taste. Machines spray the insides with coloured sugar to give the beans their hard shells. Jelly beans today come in all kinds of different flavours, including spicy. You can even put different ones in your mouth to create new flavours. They are even popular with American presidents. Ronald Reagan supposedly kept a jar on his desk in the White House.
**PHRASE MATCH**

Match the following phrases from the article.

**Paragraph 1**

1. colourful  
   - a. in a jelly bean quiz  
2. jelly bean  
   - b. little sweets  
3. jelly beans are  
   - c. freaks  
4. take part  
   - d. surrounding jelly beans  
5. The Internet is full  
   - e. addictive  
6. the history of and culture  
   - f. of fascinating information

**Paragraph 2**

1. one of the oldest  
   - a. kinds of different flavours  
2. They date back to at least  
   - b. from Turkish Delight  
3. the jelly bean centre originated  
   - c. the mid-nineteenth century  
4. The gummy centre is  
   - d. forms of candy  
5. Jelly beans today come in all  
   - e. flavours  
6. create new  
   - f. made from sugar
LISTENING GAP FILL

April 22 is a very important holiday – It’s National Jelly Bean Day. Anyone ________________, flavoursome, colourful little sweets should treat themselves on this day. They should also check ________________ family and friends are jelly bean freaks. But be careful, as we all know, jelly beans are addictive. There are many things you can do ________________ eating jelly beans. Here are a few suggestions. Why not dress in the colours of your favourite jelly bean? You could have a jelly bean party and ask for friends ________________ special jelly bean dish. For real grown-ups, you could take part in a jelly bean quiz. The Internet is full of fascinating information ________________ culture surrounding jelly beans.

Jelly beans are ________________ of candy we have. They date back to at least the mid-nineteenth century. Jelly bean historians believe the jelly bean centre originated from Turkish Delight, ________________ Middle East. The gummy centre is made from sugar, corn syrup and other ingredients ________________ fruity taste. Machines spray the insides with coloured sugar to give the beans their hard shells. Jelly beans today ________________ different flavours, including spicy. You can even put different ones in your mouth to create new flavours. They are even popular with American presidents. Ronald Reagan supposedly ________________ desk in the White House.
WHILE READING / LISTENING GAP FILL

Put the words into the gaps in the text.

April 22 is a very important holiday – It’s National Jelly Bean Day. Anyone who ________ these delicious, flavoursome, colourful little sweets should treat themselves on this day. They should also check and make ________ their family and friends are jelly bean freaks. But be careful, as we all know, jelly beans are ________. There are many things you can do to celebrate ________ eating jelly beans. Here are a few suggestions. Why not ________ in the colours of your favourite jelly bean? You could have a jelly bean party and ask for friends to ________ their own special jelly bean dish. For real ________ -ups, you could take part in a jelly bean quiz. The Internet is full of fascinating information on the ________ of and culture surrounding jelly beans.

Jelly beans are one of the oldest ________ of candy we have. They date back to at ________ the mid-nineteenth century. Jelly bean historians believe the jelly bean centre originated from Turkish Delight, which comes from the Middle East. The gummy ________ is made from sugar, corn syrup and other ingredients to give them their ________ taste. Machines spray the insides with coloured sugar to give the beans their hard ________. Jelly beans today come in all kinds of different flavours, including ________. You can even put different ones in your mouth to create new flavours. They are even ________ with American presidents. Ronald Reagan supposedly kept a ________ on his desk in the White House.
CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD
Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs of italics.

April 22 is a very important holiday – It’s National Jelly Bean Day. Anyone who loving / loves these delicious, flavoursome, colourful little sweets should treat / threat themselves on this day. They should also check and make / take sure their family and friends are jelly bean freaks. But be careful, as we all know, jelly beans are addiction / addictive. There are many things you can do to celebrate behind / besides eating jelly beans. Here are a few suggestions. Why not dress / pants in the colours of your favourite jelly bean? You could have a jelly bean party and ask for friends to create their own special jelly bean dish / mug. For real grown-ups, you could take part in a jelly bean quiz. The Internet is full of fascinating information on the history of and cultural / culture surrounding jelly beans.

Jelly beans are one of the oldies / oldest forms of candy we have. They date back to at least / less the mid-nineteenth century. Jelly bean historians believe the jelly bean centre origin / originated from Turkish Delight, which comes from the Middle East. The gummy centre is made from sugary / sugar, corn syrup and other ingredients to give them their fruity taste. Machines spray the ins and outs / insides with coloured sugar to give the beans their hard shells. Jelly beans today come in all kinds of difference / different flavours, including spicy. You can even put different ones in your mouth / mouthful to create new flavours. They are even popular with American presidents. Ronald Reagan supposedly kept a jar / ajar on his desk in the White House.
MULTIPLE CHOICE

April 22 is a very important holiday – It’s National Jelly Bean Day. Anyone who (1) ____ these delicious, flavoursome, colourful little sweets should treat themselves on this day. They should also (2) ____ and make sure their family and friends are jelly bean freaks. But be careful, as we all know, jelly beans are (3) ____. There are many things you can do to celebrate besides eating jelly beans. Here are a few (4) ____. Why not dress in the colours of your favourite jelly bean? You could have a jelly bean party and ask (5) ____ friends to create their own special jelly bean dish. For real grown-ups, you could take part in a jelly bean quiz. The Internet is full of fascinating information on the history of and culture (6) ____ jelly beans.

Jelly beans are one of the (7) ____ forms of candy we have. They date back to at least the mid-nineteenth century. Jelly bean historians believe the jelly bean centre originated (8) ____ Turkish Delight, which comes from the Middle East. The gummy centre is made from sugar, corn syrup and (9) ____ ingredients to give them their fruity taste. Machines spray the insides with coloured sugar to give the beans their hard shells. Jelly beans today (10) ____ in all kinds of different flavours, including spicy. You can even put different ones in your mouth to (11) ____ new flavours. They are even popular with American presidents. Ronald Reagan (12) ____ kept a jar on his desk in the White House.

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

1. (a) lovers  (b) loves  (c) lovey-dovey  (d) loving
2. (a) check  (b) cheeky  (c) cheque  (d) check
3. (a) addict  (b) addictive  (c) addiction (d) addicts
4. (a) suggest  (b) suggested  (c) suggestions (d) suggestive
5. (a) for  (b) at  (c) to  (d) from
6. (a) surround  (b) surrounded (c) surrounding (d) surrounds
7. (a) oldest  (b) oldies  (c) olden  (d) oldie
8. (a) for  (b) to  (c) from  (d) by
9. (a) another  (b) the others  (c) others (d) other
10. (a) take  (b) make  (c) go  (d) come
11. (a) creative  (b) create  (c) creation  (d) created
12. (a) supposedly  (b) suppose  (c) supposes  (d) supposed
SPELLING
Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. Anyone who eovsl these
2. jelly bean afeskr
3. jelly beans are cvieitdad
4. Here are a few squgssetnoi
5. create their own psieacl jelly bean dish
6. the history of and rcutlue surrounding jelly beans

Paragraph 2

7. one of the oldest forms of dcnya
8. the jelly bean entrce
9. tfiyur taste
10. hard selhsl
11. different ovsarful
12. Ronald Reagan ppssluosdey kept a jar
PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

(  ) create new flavours. They are even popular with American presidents. Ronald Reagan

(  ) supposedly kept a jar on his desk in the White House.

(  ) favourite jelly bean? You could have a jelly bean party and ask for friends to create their own special jelly bean

(  ) colourful little sweets should treat themselves on this day. They should also check and make sure their family

(  ) dish. For real grown-ups, you could take part in a jelly bean quiz. The Internet is full of fascinating

(  ) information on the history of and culture surrounding jelly beans.

(  ) and friends are jelly bean freaks. But be careful, as we all know, jelly beans are addictive. There are many things you can

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(  ) come in all kinds of different flavours, including spicy. You can even put different ones in your mouth to

(  ) from the Middle East. The gummy centre is made from sugar, corn syrup and other ingredients to give them

(  ) mid-nineteenth century. Jelly bean historians believe the jelly bean centre originated from Turkish Delight, which comes

(  ) their fruity taste. Machines spray the insides with coloured sugar to give the beans their hard shells. Jelly beans today

(  ) do to celebrate besides eating jelly beans. Here are a few suggestions. Why not dress in the colours of your

(  ) Jelly beans are one of the oldest forms of candy we have. They date back to at least the
SCRAMBLED SENTENCES
With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. their freaks bean jelly are friends and family

2. know addictive, as jelly we beans all are

3. few are suggestions a Here

4. jelly take bean part quiz in you a could

5. the beans jelly surrounding culture and of history

6. one oldest candy are the of beans of forms Jelly

7. Turkish from originated centre bean jelly the Delight

8. insides coloured Machines the with sugar spray

9. presidents are popular American They even with

10. desk a Ronald jar Reagan on supposedly his kept
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 NATIONAL JELLY BEAN DAY SURVEY**

Write five questions about National Jelly Bean 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.

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

Write about National Jelly Bean Day for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other’s work.

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4. **POSTER:** Make your own poster about National Jelly Bean Day. Write about what will happen on this day around the world.