

WORLD FAIRY DAY

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Of course fairies exist. Don't let anyone tell you otherwise. They must exist because there is a World Fairy Day. It's on June the 24th. This is the official day for us to celebrate the little fairies that bring some magic to our lives. We can also celebrate the big fairies too. Fairy lovers around the world renew their love of these mythical beings. There are hundreds of blogs on fairies that people can leave messages on. The official Fairy Day website says: "This holiday is for everyone who believes in the magic of fairytales. It is for those imaginative souls who dare to dream impossible dreams. It is for the children of the world, [who are] wide-eyed and open to the magic that surrounds them." This day is a good day to re-live your childhood.

Fairies are mythical and legendary creatures who fill children's story books. They are usually cute, winged, small, girl-like figures who can fly. They often help small children and can even do magic. One of the most famous fairies is Tinkerbell in J.M. Barrie's 'Peter Pan'. Nobody knows where fairies come from. Some believe they are a forgotten race, hiding in the trees at the end of our gardens. One popular belief in Ireland, where fairies are everywhere, is that they are really dead people who have come back to Earth to protect us. Another theory is that fairies are really "fallen" angels who did not behave well enough to stay in heaven. Wherever they came from or whoever they are, make sure you are nice to them on June 24.

PHRASE MATCH

Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Of course fairies | <i>a.</i> impossible dreams |
| 2. fairies that bring some | <i>b.</i> on fairies |
| 3. There are hundreds of blogs | <i>c.</i> magic to our lives |
| 4. everyone who | <i>d.</i> exist |
| 5. dare to dream | <i>e.</i> your childhood |
| 6. a good day to re-live | <i>f.</i> believes in the magic |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Fairies are mythical and | <i>a.</i> is Tinkerbell |
| 2. One of the most famous fairies | <i>b.</i> enough to stay in heaven |
| 3. Nobody knows where | <i>c.</i> legendary creatures |
| 4. hiding in the trees at the | <i>d.</i> come back to Earth |
| 5. dead people who have | <i>e.</i> end of our gardens |
| 6. angels who did not behave well | <i>f.</i> fairies come from |

LISTENING GAP FILL

Of course fairies exist. Don't let anyone _____. They must exist because there is a World Fairy Day. It's on June the 24th. This is the official day _____ the little fairies that bring some magic to our lives. We can also celebrate the big fairies too. Fairy lovers around the world _____ these mythical beings. There are hundreds of blogs on fairies that people can leave messages on. The official Fairy Day website says: "This holiday is for everyone who _____ of fairytales. It is for those imaginative souls who dare to dream impossible dreams. It is for the children of the world, [who are] _____ to the magic that surrounds them." This day is a good _____ childhood.

Fairies are mythical and legendary _____ children's story books. They are usually cute, winged, small, girl-like figures who can fly. They often help small children and _____. One of the most famous fairies is Tinkerbell in J.M. Barrie's 'Peter Pan'. Nobody knows _____ from. Some believe they are a forgotten race, hiding _____ end of our gardens. One popular belief in Ireland, where fairies are everywhere, is that they are really dead people who _____ Earth to protect us. Another theory is that fairies are really "fallen" angels who did not behave well enough to stay in heaven. Wherever they came from or whoever they are, _____ to them on June 24.

WHILE READING / LISTENING GAP FILL

Put the words into the gaps in the text.

Of course fairies exist. Don't let anyone tell you _____. They must exist because there is a World Fairy Day. It's on June the 24th. This is the _____ day for us to celebrate the little fairies that bring some magic to our lives. We can also celebrate the big fairies too. Fairy _____ around the world renew their love of these mythical beings. There are hundreds of _____ on fairies that people can leave messages on. The official Fairy Day website says: "This holiday is for everyone who believes in the _____ of fairytales. It is for those imaginative souls who _____ to dream impossible dreams. It is for the children of the world, [who are] wide-eyed and open to the magic that _____ them." This day is a good day to re-live your _____.

blogs
dare
lovers
surrounds
otherwise
childhood
official
magic

Fairies are mythical and legendary _____ who fill children's story books. They are usually cute, winged, small, girl-like figures who can _____. They often help small children and can even do magic. One of the most _____ fairies is Tinkerbell in J.M. Barrie's 'Peter Pan'. Nobody knows where fairies come from. Some believe they are a forgotten race, _____ in the trees at the end of our gardens. One popular _____ in Ireland, where fairies are everywhere, is that they are really dead people who have come back to Earth to _____ us. Another theory is that fairies are really "fallen" angels who did not _____ well enough to stay in heaven. Wherever they came from or whoever they are, make sure you are _____ to them on June 24.

famous
protect
fly
nice
belief
creatures
behave
hiding

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD

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

Of course fairies *existence / exist*. Don't let anyone tell you *other world / otherwise*. They must exist because there is a World Fairy Day. It's on June the 24th. This is the official day for us to celebrate the little fairies that bring some *magic / magical* to our lives. We can also celebrate the big fairies too. Fairy lovers around the world *new / renew* their love of these *mythical / myths* beings. There are hundreds of blogs on fairies that people can leave messages on. The official Fairy Day website says: "This holiday is for everyone who believes in the magic of fairytales. It is for those imaginative *souls / soles* who dare to dream impossible dreams. It is for the children of the world, [who are] wide-eyed and *openly / open* to the magic that *surrounding / surrounds* them." This day is a good day to re-live your childhood.

Fairies are mythical and *legendary / legend* creatures who fill children's story books. They are *usually / usual* cute, winged, small, girl-like figures who can fly. They often help small children and can even do *magic / magician*. One of the most famous fairies is Tinkerbell in J.M. Barrie's 'Peter Pan'. Nobody knows where fairies come from. Some believe they are a *forget / forgotten* race, hiding in the trees at the end of our gardens. One popular *believe / belief* in Ireland, where fairies are everywhere, is that they are really *dead / death* people who have come back to Earth to protect us. *Another / Other* theory is that fairies are really "fallen" angels who did not *behaviour / behave* well enough to stay in heaven. Wherever they came from or whoever they are, make sure you are nice to them on June 24.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Of course fairies exist. Don't let anyone tell you (1) _____. They must exist because there is a World Fairy Day. It's on June the 24th. This is the official day for us to celebrate the little fairies that bring some (2) _____ to our lives. We can also celebrate the big fairies too. Fairy (3) _____ around the world renew their love of these mythical beings. There are hundreds of blogs (4) _____ fairies that people can leave messages on. The official Fairy Day website says: "This holiday is for everyone who believes (5) _____ the magic of fairytales. It is for those imaginative souls who dare to dream impossible dreams. It is for the children of the world, [who are] wide-eyed and (6) _____ to the magic that surrounds them." This day is a good day to re-live your childhood.

Fairies are mythical and legendary creatures who (7) _____ children's story books. They are usually cute, winged, small, girl-like figures who can fly. They often help small children and can even (8) _____ magic. One of the most famous fairies is Tinkerbell in J.M. Barrie's 'Peter Pan'. Nobody knows where fairies come from. Some believe they are a forgotten (9) _____, hiding in the trees at the end of our gardens. One popular (10) _____ in Ireland, where fairies are everywhere, is that they are really dead people who have come back to Earth to (11) _____ us. Another theory is that fairies are really "fallen" angels who did not behave (12) _____ enough to stay in heaven. Wherever they came from or whoever they are, make sure you are nice to them on June 24.

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) other | (b) another | (c) others | (d) otherwise |
| 2. | (a) magic | (b) magical | (c) magician | (d) magically |
| 3. | (a) loves | (b) loving | (c) lovers | (d) loved |
| 4. | (a) in | (b) at | (c) off | (d) on |
| 5. | (a) at | (b) up | (c) in | (d) on |
| 6. | (a) ajar | (b) open | (c) wide | (d) free |
| 7. | (a) fill | (b) filling | (c) fillings | (d) full |
| 8. | (a) have | (b) do | (c) give | (d) be |
| 9. | (a) race | (b) racial | (c) racism | (d) racially |
| 10. | (a) believe | (b) believing | (c) belief | (d) believes |
| 11. | (a) protection | (b) protected | (c) protects | (d) protect |
| 12. | (a) good | (b) well | (c) best | (d) better |

SPELLING

Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. Don't let anyone tell you owersihet
2. bring some gmaic to our lives
3. people can leave asgeemss
4. dare to dream lsbpoeiism dreams
5. the idrlnceh of the world
6. a good day to re-live your hcodihdlo

Paragraph 2

7. legendary creerasut
8. small, girl-like ergsfui
9. One of the most sauofm fairies is Tinkerbell
10. a grftnoote race
11. come back to Earth to ceotrpt us
12. did not behave well houeng

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () is that fairies are really “fallen” angels who did not behave well enough to stay in heaven. Wherever
- () are a forgotten race, hiding in the trees at the end of our gardens. One popular belief in Ireland, where fairies
- () they came from or whoever they are, make sure you are nice to them on June 24.
- () celebrate the big fairies too. Fairy lovers around the world renew their love of these mythical beings. There are hundreds
- () of blogs on fairies that people can leave messages on. The official Fairy Day website says: “This holiday is for
- () June the 24th. This is the official day for us to celebrate the little fairies that bring some magic to our lives. We can also
- () surrounds them.” This day is a good day to re-live your childhood.
- () winged, small, girl-like figures who can fly. They often help small children and can even do magic. One of the most famous
- () Fairies are mythical and legendary creatures who fill children’s story books. They are usually cute,
- () fairies is Tinkerbell in J.M. Barrie’s ‘Peter Pan’. Nobody knows where fairies come from. Some believe they
- () dreams. It is for the children of the world, [who are] wide-eyed and open to the magic that
- () are everywhere, is that they are really dead people who have come back to Earth to protect us. Another theory
- (**1**) Of course fairies exist. Don’t let anyone tell you otherwise. They must exist because there is a World Fairy Day. It’s on
- () everyone who believes in the magic of fairytales. It is for those imaginative souls who dare to dream impossible

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

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

1. otherwise you tell anyone let Don't

2. our to magic some bring that fairies lives

3. blogs fairies are of on There hundreds

4. magic the in believes who everyone fairytales of

5. your childhood This is a good day to re - live

6. fill story legendary who children's books creatures

7. and often can help even small do children magic

8. trees end gardens the the our in at of hiding

9. have who people dead Earth to back come

10. you nice them sure are to make

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 FAIRY DAY SURVEY

Write five questions about Fairy 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 Fairy Day. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Fairy 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 Fairy Day. Write about 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.