

NATIONAL SANDWICH DAY

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

National Sandwich Day is on November the 3rd every year. It is, of course, a celebration of one of the world's first convenience foods. The sandwich is also one of the world's most commonly eaten foods. November the 3rd is the birthday of the inventor of the sandwich, a British aristocrat called John Montagu. He was connected to the UK's royal family and had the title the Earl of Sandwich. The story goes that one day in the 18th century, he asked his servants for something he could eat with one hand. He was in the middle of a 24-hour gambling session. His cook served him some meat in between two pieces of bread. And that's how the sandwich came about. Curiously, the town of Sandwich is next to another town called Ham.

Sandwiches are everywhere today. They are huge business. In many countries, people eat sandwiches for lunch every day. They are also the major part of many picnics. This is because they are so versatile, and so easy to make. You can choose almost any filling for a sandwich, from a simple slice of cheese, to a full Indian chicken tikka and salad combo with all the extras. You can see sandwich shops all over the world. Some of them are even called restaurants. Perhaps the most famous is the Subway chain. Almost everyone knows what a subway sandwich is. Sandwiches in some countries may not be so popular in others. Japanese strawberry and cream sandwiches might not go down too well in Britain.

PHRASE MATCH

Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. November the 3rd | <i>a.</i> the sandwich |
| 2. convenience | <i>b.</i> pieces of bread |
| 3. the inventor of | <i>c.</i> every year |
| 4. the UK's royal | <i>d.</i> session |
| 5. a 24-hour gambling | <i>e.</i> foods |
| 6. meat in between two | <i>f.</i> family |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. They are huge | <i>a.</i> the extras |
| 2. they are so | <i>b.</i> subway sandwich is |
| 3. a simple slice | <i>c.</i> business |
| 4. salad combo with all | <i>d.</i> too well |
| 5. everyone knows what a | <i>e.</i> versatile |
| 6. might not go down | <i>f.</i> of cheese |

LISTENING GAP FILL

National Sandwich Day is on November the 3rd every year. _____, a celebration of one of the world's first convenience foods. The sandwich is also one of the world's most _____ foods. November the 3rd is the birthday of the _____ sandwich, a British aristocrat called John Montagu. He was connected to the UK's royal family and _____ Earl of Sandwich. The story goes that one day in the 18th century, he asked his servants for something he could eat with one hand. He was _____ a 24-hour gambling session. His cook served him some meat in between two pieces of bread. And that's how the sandwich came about. Curiously, the town of Sandwich is _____ town called Ham.

Sandwiches are everywhere today. They _____. In many countries, people eat sandwiches for lunch every day. They are also _____ many picnics. This is because they _____, and so easy to make. You can choose almost any filling for a sandwich, from _____ cheese, to a full Indian chicken tikka and salad combo with all the extras. You can see sandwich shops all over the world. Some of them are even called restaurants. Perhaps the most famous is the Subway chain. Almost everyone _____ subway sandwich is. Sandwiches in some countries may not be so popular in others. Japanese strawberry and cream sandwiches might not _____ in Britain.

WHILE READING / LISTENING GAP FILL

Put the words into the gaps in the text.

National Sandwich Day is on November the 3rd every year. It is, of _____, a celebration of one of the world's first convenience foods. The sandwich is also one of the world's _____ commonly eaten foods. November the 3rd is the birthday of the _____ of the sandwich, a British aristocrat called John Montagu. He was _____ to the UK's royal family and had the title the Earl of Sandwich. The story _____ that one day in the 18th century, he asked his servants for something he could eat with one hand. He was in the _____ of a 24-hour gambling session. His cook _____ him some meat in between two pieces of bread. And that's how the sandwich came _____. Curiously, the town of Sandwich is next to another town called Ham.

inventor

goes

course

about

served

most

connected

middle

Sandwiches are everywhere today. They are _____ business. In many countries, people eat sandwiches for lunch every day. They are also the _____ part of many picnics. This is because they are so versatile, and so easy to make. You can _____ almost any _____ for a sandwich, from a simple slice of cheese, to a full Indian chicken tikka and salad combo with all the _____. You can see sandwich shops all over the world. Some of them are even called restaurants. Perhaps the most _____ is the Subway chain. Almost everyone knows what a subway sandwich is. Sandwiches in some countries may not be so _____ in others. Japanese strawberry and cream sandwiches might not go _____ too well in Britain.

filling

major

famous

choose

down

popular

huge

extras

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD

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

National Sandwich Day is on November the 3rd every year. It is, of *course / coarse*, a celebration of one of the world's first convenience foods. The sandwich is also one of the world's most *common / commonly* eaten foods. November the 3rd is the birthday of the inventor of the sandwich, a British aristocrat called John Montagu. He was *connected / connection* to the UK's *royal / royalty* family and had the title the Earl of Sandwich. The story *comes / goes* that one day in the 18th century, he asked his servants for something he could eat with one *handed / hand*. He was in the *end / middle* of a 24-hour gambling session. His cook served him some meat in between two pieces of bread. And that's how the sandwich came about. *Curious / Curiously*, the town of Sandwich is next to another town called Ham.

Sandwiches are everywhere today. They are huge *businesses / business*. In many countries, people eat sandwiches for lunch every day. They are also the major *party / part* of many picnics. This is because they are so versatile, and so easy to make. You can *choice / choose* almost any filling for a sandwich, from a simple slice of cheese, to a *full / fully* Indian chicken tikka and salad combo with all the extras. You can see sandwich shops all over the world. Some of them are *ever / even* called restaurants. Perhaps the most famous is the Subway chain. Almost everyone knows what a subway sandwich *was / is*. Sandwiches in some countries may not be so *popularity / popular* in others. Japanese strawberry and cream sandwiches might not go *down / up* too well in Britain.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

National Sandwich Day is on November the 3rd every year. It is, of course, a celebration of one of the world's (1) _____ convenience foods. The sandwich is also one of the world's most (2) _____ eaten foods. November the 3rd is the birthday of the inventor of the sandwich, a British aristocrat called John Montagu. He was connected to the UK's (3) _____ family and had the title the Earl of Sandwich. The story (4) _____ that one day in the 18th century, he asked his servants for something he could eat with one hand. He was in the middle of a 24-hour gambling (5) _____. His cook served him some meat in between two pieces of bread. And that's how the sandwich came (6) _____. Curiously, the town of Sandwich is next to another town called Ham.

Sandwiches are everywhere today. They are huge (7) _____. In many countries, people eat sandwiches for lunch every day. They are also the major part of many picnics. This is because they are so (8) _____, and so easy to make. You can choose almost any filling for a sandwich, from a simple slice of cheese, to a full Indian chicken tikka and salad combo with all the (9) _____. You can see sandwich shops all over the world. Some of them are (10) _____ called restaurants. Perhaps the most famous is the Subway chain. Almost everyone knows what a subway sandwich is. Sandwiches in some countries may not be (11) _____ popular in others. Japanese strawberry and cream sandwiches might not go (12) _____ too well in Britain.

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) first | (b) firstly | (c) firsts | (d) first-hand |
| 2. | (a) common | (b) commonest | (c) commonly | (d) commoner |
| 3. | (a) royally | (b) royalty | (c) royals | (d) royal |
| 4. | (a) does | (b) goes | (c) comes | (d) has |
| 5. | (a) session | (b) season | (c) station | (d) seasoning |
| 6. | (a) up | (b) to | (c) here | (d) about |
| 7. | (a) businesses | (b) busybody | (c) business | (d) busied |
| 8. | (a) verses | (b) versatile | (c) versus | (d) versions |
| 9. | (a) extras | (b) extra | (c) extract | (d) extravert |
| 10. | (a) ever | (b) never | (c) even | (d) evenly |
| 11. | (a) such | (b) so | (c) as | (d) to |
| 12. | (a) up | (b) sideways | (c) round | (d) down |

SPELLING

Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. verye year
2. yonlmmco eaten foods
3. the tnvirone of the sandwich
4. the UK's orlya family
5. the 18th tnuycre
6. two siecpe of bread

Paragraph 2

7. huge issenusb
8. the major part of many sicpcni
9. choose almost any nlilfgi
10. all the rtxesa
11. the Subway hnaic
12. may not be so olparup

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () Sandwiches are everywhere today. They are huge business. In many countries, people eat
- () for something he could eat with one hand. He was in the middle of a 24-hour gambling session. His cook
- () served him some meat in between two pieces of bread. And that's how the sandwich came
- () knows what a subway sandwich is. Sandwiches in some countries may not be so
- () inventor of the sandwich, a British aristocrat called John Montagu. He was connected to the UK's royal
- (**1**) National Sandwich Day is on November the 3rd every year. It is, of course, a celebration of one of the world's first convenience
- () about. Curiously, the town of Sandwich is next to another town called Ham.
- () sandwiches for lunch every day. They are also the major part of many picnics. This is because they are so
- () family and had the title the Earl of Sandwich. The story goes that one day in the 18th century, he asked his servants
- () world. Some of them are even called restaurants. Perhaps the most famous is the Subway chain. Almost everyone
- () popular in others. Japanese strawberry and cream sandwiches might not go down too well in Britain.
- () of cheese, to a full Indian chicken tikka and salad combo with all the extras. You can see sandwich shops all over the
- () versatile, and so easy to make. You can choose almost any filling for a sandwich, from a simple slice
- () foods. The sandwich is also one of the world's most commonly eaten foods. November the 3rd is the birthday of the

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

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

1. first world's the of One foods convenience.

2. of birthday the of sandwich the inventor The.

3. was royal connected family to the He UK's.

4. bread of pieces two between in Meat.

5. town is called next Ham to another Sandwich.

6. lunch for sandwiches eat People day every.

7. is This versatile so are they because.

8. almost for choose filling sandwich can any a You.

9. world can shops the You sandwich over see all.

10. be some not popular in may so Sandwiches countries.

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 SANDWICH DAY SURVEY

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

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about National Sandwich 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 National Sandwich 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.