

# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

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## THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

The International Day of Peace should be one of the most important days of the year. It occurs annually on September 21st. It is dedicated to peace as well as the absence of war. This day also serves as a global ceasefire day. Many countries, political groups and military groups observe it. The day starts when the U.N. rings the "Peace Bell" at its New York headquarters. This bell was a gift from the people of Japan. There is a message on the side of the bell that says: "Long live absolute world peace." The U.N. said: "Peace Day should be devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace [and] that our permanent commitment, above all interests or differences of any kind, is to peace."

Thousands of Peace Day events take place around the world every year. These include concerts involving rock superstars to football tournaments for peace and baking cakes for peace. Many organizations hold educational workshops in schools, especially those in war-torn countries. Nobel Peace Prize laureates also make speeches to show the world their work has not finished. Anyone can celebrate Peace Day. It can be a simple, individual act such as lighting a candle and saying a prayer. For those who want to be more active, it can involve getting the support of friends and colleagues to plan a large event. Hopefully, this day will take off and people will think about peace more seriously.

## PHRASE MATCH

Match the following phrases from the article.

### Paragraph 1

- |                              |                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. one of the most important | a. groups           |
| 2. dedicated                 | b. commitment       |
| 3. military                  | c. days of the year |
| 4. New York                  | d. peace            |
| 5. the ideals of             | e. to peace         |
| 6. permanent                 | f. headquarters     |

### Paragraph 2

- |                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. rock                | a. candle         |
| 2. baking              | b. of friends     |
| 3. war-torn            | c. cakes          |
| 4. lighting a          | d. superstars     |
| 5. getting the support | e. more seriously |
| 6. think about peace   | f. countries      |

**LISTENING GAP FILL**

The International Day of Peace \_\_\_\_\_ most important days of the year. It occurs annually on September 21st. It is dedicated to \_\_\_\_\_ absence of war. This day also serves as a global ceasefire day. Many countries, political groups and \_\_\_\_\_ . The day starts when the U.N. rings the "Peace Bell" at its New York headquarters. This bell \_\_\_\_\_ people of Japan. There is a message on the side of the bell that says: "Long live absolute world peace." The U.N. said: "Peace Day \_\_\_\_\_ to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace [and] that our permanent commitment, \_\_\_\_\_ or differences of any kind, is to peace."

Thousands of Peace Day events \_\_\_\_\_ the world every year. These include concerts involving rock superstars to football tournaments for peace and \_\_\_\_\_ peace. Many organizations hold educational workshops in schools, especially \_\_\_\_\_ countries. Nobel Peace Prize laureates also make speeches to show the world their work has not finished. Anyone can celebrate Peace Day. It can be a \_\_\_\_\_ such as lighting a candle and saying a prayer. For those who want to be more active, it \_\_\_\_\_ the support of friends and colleagues to plan a large event. Hopefully, this day \_\_\_\_\_ people will think about peace more seriously.

**WHILE READING / LISTENING GAP FILL****Put the words into the gaps in the text.**

The International Day of Peace \_\_\_\_\_ be one of the most important days of the year. It occurs annually on September 21st. It is dedicated to peace as well as the \_\_\_\_\_ of war. This day also serves as a global \_\_\_\_\_ day. Many countries, political groups and military groups \_\_\_\_\_ it. The day starts when the U.N. rings the "Peace Bell" at its New York headquarters. This bell was a gift from the people of Japan. There is a \_\_\_\_\_ on the side of the bell that says: "Long \_\_\_\_\_ absolute world peace." The U.N. said: "Peace Day should be devoted to commemorating and strengthening the \_\_\_\_\_ of peace [and] that our permanent commitment, above all \_\_\_\_\_ or differences of any kind, is to peace."

*message**ceasefire**ideals**should**interests**absence**observe**live*

Thousands of Peace Day events \_\_\_\_\_ place around the world every year. These \_\_\_\_\_ concerts involving rock superstars to football tournaments for peace and baking cakes for peace. Many organizations hold educational workshops in schools, especially those in \_\_\_\_\_ countries. Nobel Peace Prize laureates also \_\_\_\_\_ speeches to show the world their work has not finished. Anyone can celebrate Peace Day. It can be a simple, individual \_\_\_\_\_ such as lighting a candle and saying a \_\_\_\_\_. For those who want to be more active, it can \_\_\_\_\_ getting the support of friends and colleagues to plan a large event. Hopefully, this day will take off and people will think about peace more \_\_\_\_\_.

*war-torn**act**prayer**take**seriously**make**involve**include*

**CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD**

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

The International Day of Peace should be *one / some* of the most important days of the year. It occurs *annual / annually* on September 21st. It is dedicated to peace as well as the absence of war. This day also *services / serves* as a global ceasefire day. Many countries, political groups and military groups *observe / observation* it. The day starts when the U.N. rings the "Peace Bell" at its New York headquarters. This bell was a gift from the *person / people* of Japan. There is a message on the side of the bell that says: "Long live absolute world peace." The U.N. said: "Peace Day should *be / have* devoted *to / at* commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace [and] that our permanent commitment, *below / above* all interests or differences of any kind, is to peace."

Thousands of Peace Day events *take / make* place around the world every year. These include concerts *involving / involved* rock superstars to football tournaments for peace and baking cakes for peace. Many organizations *holding / hold* educational workshops in schools, especially those in war-torn *country / countries*. Nobel Peace Prize laureates also make speeches to show the world their work has not *started / finished*. Anyone can celebrate Peace Day. It can be a simple, individual act such *was / as* lighting a candle and saying a prayer. For those who want to be more *active / action*, it can involve getting the support of friends and colleagues to plan a large event. Hopefully, this day will take *off / on* and people will think about peace more seriously.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE

The International Day of Peace should be one of the (1) \_\_\_\_\_ important days of the year. It occurs annually on September 21st. It is dedicated (2) \_\_\_\_\_ peace as well as the (3) \_\_\_\_\_ of war. This day also serves as a global ceasefire day. Many countries, political groups and military groups observe it. The day starts when the U.N. (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the "Peace Bell" at its New York headquarters. This bell was a gift from the people of Japan. There is a message on the side of the bell that says: "Long live absolute world peace." The U.N. said: "Peace Day should (5) \_\_\_\_\_ devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace [and] that our permanent commitment, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ all interests or differences of any kind, is to peace."

Thousands of Peace Day events (7) \_\_\_\_\_ place around the world every year. These include concerts (8) \_\_\_\_\_ rock superstars to football tournaments for peace and baking cakes for peace. Many organizations hold educational workshops in schools, especially those in war-(9) \_\_\_\_\_ countries. Nobel Peace Prize laureates also make speeches to show the world their work has not finished. Anyone can celebrate Peace Day. It can be a simple, individual act such as (10) \_\_\_\_\_ a candle and saying a prayer. For those who want to be more active, it can (11) \_\_\_\_\_ getting the support of friends and colleagues to plan a large event. Hopefully, this day will (12) \_\_\_\_\_ off and people will think about peace more seriously.

### Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- |     |                 |              |              |               |
|-----|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.  | (a) mostly      | (b) most     | (c) mainly   | (d) main      |
| 2.  | (a) to          | (b) of       | (c) at       | (d) on        |
| 3.  | (a) absent      | (b) absentee | (c) absence  | (d) absences  |
| 4.  | (a) sings       | (b) pings    | (c) tings    | (d) rings     |
| 5.  | (a) be          | (b) have     | (c) do       | (d) take      |
| 6.  | (a) under       | (b) below    | (c) above    | (d) over      |
| 7.  | (a) make        | (b) take     | (c) fake     | (d) bake      |
| 8.  | (a) involvement | (b) involved | (c) involves | (d) involving |
| 9.  | (a) tears       | (b) torn     | (c) tore     | (d) tearing   |
| 10. | (a) lighting    | (b) lights   | (c) lit      | (d) light     |
| 11. | (a) got         | (b) gets     | (c) getting  | (d) get       |
| 12. | (a) shake       | (b) make     | (c) wake     | (d) take      |

## SPELLING

Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

### Paragraph 1

1. It uorccs annually
2. ditceaedd to peace
3. a bgalol ceasefire day
4. a eeqmssa on the side
5. the asleid of peace
6. ebavo all interests

### Paragraph 2

7. These inecudl concerts
8. naikgb cakes for peace
9. wra-tron countries
10. a iselmp, individual act
11. ihintgg a candle
12. getting the pputors of friends

**PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER****Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) Thousands of Peace Day events take place around the world every year. These include concerts involving rock
- ( ) September 21st. It is dedicated to peace as well as the absence of war. This day also serves as a global
- ( ) of the bell that says: "Long live absolute world peace." The U.N. said: "Peace Day should be
- ( ) individual act such as lighting a candle and saying a prayer. For those who want to be more
- ( ) superstars to football tournaments for peace and baking cakes for peace. Many organizations hold educational
- ( ) speeches to show the world their work has not finished. Anyone can celebrate Peace Day. It can be a simple,
- ( ) devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace [and] that our permanent
- ( ) workshops in schools, especially those in war-torn countries. Nobel Peace Prize laureates also make
- ( ) ceasefire day. Many countries, political groups and military groups observe it. The day starts when the U.N. rings the "Peace Bell" at
- ( **1** ) The International Day of Peace should be one of the most important days of the year. It occurs annually on
- ( ) its New York headquarters. This bell was a gift from the people of Japan. There is a message on the side
- ( ) event. Hopefully, this day will take off and people will think about peace more seriously.
- ( ) active, it can involve getting the support of friends and colleagues to plan a large
- ( ) commitment, above all interests or differences of any kind, is to peace."

## SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

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

1. the days year of important the One most of.

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2. observe groups military and groups Political it.

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3. people of Japan This bell was a gift from the.

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4. a message on the side of the bell There is.

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5. the strengthening and Commemorating peace of ideals.

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6. year around the Events world take every place.

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7. organizations Many workshops educational hold.

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8. candle a Lighting prayer a saying and.

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9. getting the It support can of involve friends.

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10. about think will People seriously more peace.

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**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 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE SURVEY

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

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about International Day of Peace. 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 International Day of Peace. 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.