

# Writing Dates

## Order of the Months

January is the first month of the year.

December is the 12<sup>th</sup> month. It is the last month.

Christmas is in December

1. January	First	1 <sup>st</sup>
2. February	Second	2 <sup>nd</sup>
3. March	Third	3 <sup>rd</sup>
4. April	Fourth	4 <sup>th</sup>
5. May	Fifth	5 <sup>th</sup>
6. June	Sixth	6 <sup>th</sup>
7. July	Seventh	7 <sup>th</sup>
8. August	Eighth	8 <sup>th</sup>
9. September	Ninth	9 <sup>th</sup>
10. October	Tenth	10 <sup>th</sup>
11. November	Eleventh	11 <sup>th</sup>
12. December	Twelfth	12 <sup>th</sup>

1. What is the 4<sup>th</sup> month? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the 10<sup>th</sup> month? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is the 12<sup>th</sup> month? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is the 6<sup>th</sup> month? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Which month is November? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Which month is September? \_\_\_\_\_

**Answers on last page**

---

## Writing the number in a date

How to write first, second, third .... as a number

### *Example*

To write **First**

Write the **number** – 1

Then the word **first** is shortened to the last two letters. It is written small and beside the number. – 1<sup>st</sup>

### *Examples*

First  1<sup>st</sup>

Second 2<sup>nd</sup>

Third 3<sup>rd</sup>

Twenty-first 21<sup>st</sup>

Many words end in **th**

Fourth **4th**

Fifth **5th**

Now have a go writing the dates. Don't forget to look at the last two letters in the word if you are not sure.

- |            |                 |                  |       |
|------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|
| a) First   | 1 <sup>st</sup> | f) Twentieth     | _____ |
| b) Second  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | g) Twenty-first  | _____ |
| c) Third   | _____           | h) Twenty-second | _____ |
| d) Fourth  | _____           | i) Twenty-third  | _____ |
| e) Twelfth | _____           | j) Thirty-first  | _____ |

**Answers on last page**

---

## Writing dates using words and numbers

When you write the date this shows the day, the month and the year.  
You can write it using numbers and words.

6<sup>th</sup> December 2004

Christmas is on 25<sup>th</sup> December 2004.

I am on holidays on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2005.

Write the following dates using numbers and words.

Today's date	_____
Your birthday	_____
A friend's birthday	_____
St Patrick's Day	_____
St Valentine's Day	_____
Halloween	_____

Write the short form of the month and year.

<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>		<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>2006</b>		<b>23</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>06</b>

a) 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2008	_____
b) 15 <sup>th</sup> February 1963	_____
c) 26 <sup>th</sup> April 1950	_____
d) 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	_____
e) 30 <sup>th</sup> October 1975	_____
f) 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 1979	_____

**Answers on last page**

---

## Days in the month

Do you know how many days are in this month?

This rhyme may help you remember.

30 days has September,  
April, June and November  
All the rest have 31  
Save for February alone  
That has 28 days clear  
And 29 in each Leap Year

**Now use the rhyme to help you find the answers.**

1. How many days in August? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many days in March? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How many days in September? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How many days in January? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How many days in April? \_\_\_\_\_

**Answers on last page**

A Leap Year is every 4 years.

Traditionally a single woman can  
ask a man to marry her on this date!

How many days are in February  
this year?

Check the calendar to find out.

---

## Using the Calendar

December						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Which day of the week do the following dates fall on?

1. 10<sup>th</sup> December \_\_\_\_\_
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> December \_\_\_\_\_
3. 7<sup>th</sup> December \_\_\_\_\_
4. 1<sup>st</sup> December \_\_\_\_\_
5. 5<sup>th</sup> December \_\_\_\_\_
6. 9<sup>th</sup> December \_\_\_\_\_

**Answers on last page**

---

## Writing the date using numbers only

### *Example*

Day	Month	Year
6 <sup>th</sup>	December	2005

**This is the same as**

6	12	2005
---	----	------

**Remember – December is the twelfth month**

To write this down using numbers you can separate each one by a line.

**6 / 12 / 2005**

Now write the date using numbers.

12th August 1942      12/8/1942

29th November 1969      29/11/1969

a. 15th May 2001

\_\_\_\_\_

b. 4th April 1998

\_\_\_\_\_

c. 26th June 2000

\_\_\_\_\_

d. 7th July 2005

\_\_\_\_\_

e. 18th August 1951

\_\_\_\_\_

f. 1st November 1982

\_\_\_\_\_

**Answers on last page**

You can also separate the date by a dot or by a dash

**6.12.2005      6-12-2005**

---

## Writing Dates - Putting it all together

Numbers and words

25th February 2004

Numbers

25/2/2004

Boxes

2	5	0	2	0	4
---	---	---	---	---	---

Write out the following dates

Your date of birth

\_\_\_\_\_

/ /

--	--	--	--	--	--

Mother's date of birth

\_\_\_\_\_

/ /

--	--	--	--	--	--

Father's date of birth

\_\_\_\_\_

/ /

--	--	--	--	--	--

Children's dates of birth

\_\_\_\_\_

/ /

--	--	--	--	--	--

\_\_\_\_\_

/ /

--	--	--	--	--	--

\_\_\_\_\_

/ /

--	--	--	--	--	--

---

# Answers to the Exercises



## Order of the months (page 1)

1. April is the 4<sup>th</sup> month
2. October is the 10<sup>th</sup> month
3. December is the 12<sup>th</sup> month
4. June is the 6<sup>th</sup> month
5. November is the 11<sup>th</sup> month
6. September is the 9<sup>th</sup> month

## Writing the number in a date (page 2)

- |                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| a) 1 <sup>st</sup>  | f) 20 <sup>th</sup> |
| b) 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | g) 21 <sup>st</sup> |
| c) 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | h) 22 <sup>nd</sup> |
| d) 4 <sup>th</sup>  | i) 23 <sup>rd</sup> |
| e) 12 <sup>th</sup> | j) 31 <sup>st</sup> |

## Writing dates using words and numbers (page 3)

- |                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| a) 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar 08  | d) 18 <sup>th</sup> Jun 11 |
| b) 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb 06 | e) 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct 75 |
| c) 26 <sup>th</sup> Apr 50 | f) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug 79  |

## Days in the month (page 4)

- |       |       |
|-------|-------|
| 1. 31 | 4. 31 |
| 2. 30 | 5. 30 |
| 3. 30 |       |

## Using the Calendar (page 5)

- |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| 1. Thursday  | 4. Tuesday   |
| 2. Wednesday | 5. Saturday  |
| 3. Monday    | 6. Wednesday |

## Writing the dates using numbers only (page 6)

- |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. 15/5/2001 | d. 7//7/2005 |
| b. 4/4/1998  | e. 18/8/1951 |
| c. 26/6/2000 | f. 1/11/1982 |