

Wednesday 6th Feb 2019

Unit 6: World festivals

Lesson 1: The Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca

- What do you know about Mecca?
- Why is it an important place for Islam?

Key Structure

Strong adjectives
It was a wonderful experience.

person, vocabulary
Hajj
journey, pilgrim, Hajj, holiest, pilgrimage, incredible, wonderful, amazing, magnificent
strong adjectives

Activity 1 Reading

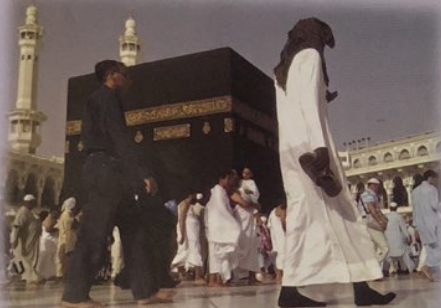
Read the text below and answer the questions.

→ The people in the photo are completing the Hajj.

- 1 What does the photo show?
- 2 What is Hajj? Men's a journey to Mecca
- 3 What is a pilgrim? people doing this journey

VOCABULARY

journey: travelling from one place to another
are completing the Hajj.
holiest: the most holy place
to Mecca
The Kaaba is the holiest place in Islam.
this journey are called



A pilgrimage is a special journey to an important place. The photo is of the Kaaba inside The Great Mosque, Masjid al-Haram. It is the largest mosque in the world. The Kaaba is the holiest place in Islam. It is in Mecca, Saudi Arabia.

The people in the photo are completing the Hajj. This is the Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca. The word Hajj means 'a journey to Mecca'. People doing this journey are called pilgrims.

Activity 2 Listening Track 19

Listen to a pilgrim talk about completing the Hajj. What was it like?

Activity 3 Listening

Listen again to match the sentence parts.

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1 I was 18 when I did | a than the first time I went. |
| 2 It was incredible to see the | b next year. |
| 3 It was wonderful to see | c my first Hajj. |
| 4 There were even more pilgrims | d so many people in the same place. |
| 5 I hope to complete my third pilgrimage | e Kaaba for the first time. |

Activity 4 Speaking

In pairs, make a list of adjectives that show the pilgrim enjoyed the Hajj. There are four. Listen again to help you remember.

LANGUAGE TIP

Strong adjectives have the idea of 'very' but 'very' is not used.

We can use 'excellent' instead of 'very good'.

Examples of strong adjectives: *incredible, excellent, amazing, wonderful, magnificent, breathtaking*

Activity 5 Speaking

Use the words from Activity 4 to describe something you have experienced.

Last weekend was wonderful.

Very important.

WRITING TIP

Proper nouns are the name of something. The first letter in the name is a capital letter.

The journey to Mecca is called the Hajj.



Activity 6 Practice

Some of the words in the sentences need a capital letter. Rewrite the sentences to make them correct.

1 ^The ^Hword hajj means 'a journey to Mecca'.

The word Hajj means 'a journey to Mecca'.

2 It was incredible to see the kaaba for the first time.

It was incredible to see the Kaaba for the first time.

3 I was eighteen when I did my first pilgrimage to mecca.

I was eighteen when I did my first pilgrimage to Mecca.

4 The Kaaba is inside the walls of the great mosque.

The Kaaba is inside the walls of the Great Mosque.

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Lesson 2: Three festivals

- Which festivals do you celebrate?
- Which is your favourite festival?

Activity 1 Reading

Read about Diwali, Eid Al-Fitr and Maslenitsa. Complete the chart.

Festival	When?	How long?	What happens?
Diwali	October or the beginning of November.	It lasts for... Five days	fire works during the festivals.
Eid Al-Fitr	Ramadan	It lasts for... 3 days.	visit to mosque for prayer in the morning and drink eat big.
Maslenitsa	February or March	It lasts for... one week	tasty pancakes to eat.

Key Structure

Adjective, adjective + noun
They ate a **big, delicious** feast.

Vocabulary

celebrate, celebration, festival, bright, sparkly, Diwali, to last for...

READING TIP
When reading for specific information, it is helpful to underline the information you need so you can find it again easily.

Activity 2 Speaking

Work in pairs, take turns to ask and answer questions about the festivals.
For example:

- A When is Diwali celebrated?
B Diwali is celebrated at the end of October or beginning of November.
- A How long does Diwali last?
B Diwali lasts for five days.
- A What happens during Diwali?
B People decorate their homes.



Diwali
Diwali is the 'Festival of Lights'. It is a celebration of the Indian New Year. Many people around the world celebrate it. It starts at the end of October or the beginning of November. The celebration lasts for five days.
There are a lot of bright, sparkly fireworks during the festival. People also decorate their homes.

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Eid Al-Fitr

Eid Al-Fitr celebrates the end of Ramadan. Ramadan is the ninth month in the Islamic calendar. Eid A-Fitr is celebrated for three days.

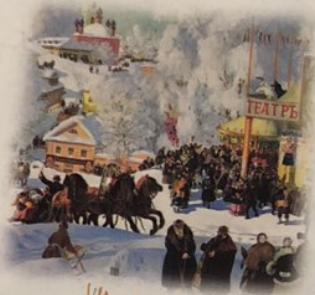
After a visit to the mosque for prayer in the morning, family and friends eat a big, delicious feast. This is a meal of meat, vegetable and rice dishes. There are a lot of desserts too!



Activity 3 Speaking

Write a question about one of the festivals to ask your partner.

Question:



Maslenitsa

The Russian festival of Maslenitsa is in February or March. It lasts one week. The festival celebrates the end of winter and the start of spring.

At the beginning of the week, children make a large, colourful doll using straw and old clothes. This is called Lady Maslenitsa. People also make warm, tasty pancakes to eat.

LANGUAGE TIP

When describing something we use adjectives. We can use more than one adjective to describe one noun. These adjectives should be separated by a comma.

There are lots of bright, sparkly fireworks at the festival.

Activity 4 Practice

Find examples of two adjectives in the text and underline them.

Activity 5 Practice

Match the adjectives from the text.

- | | |
|----------|------------------------|
| 1 big | a tasty |
| 2 warm | b delicious |
| 3 bright | c colourful |
| 4 large | d sparkly |



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Lesson 3: Language focus

- Which festivals do you want to go to?
- What festivals are there in the UAE?

Key Structure

Will for instant decisions.

I'll ask my parents.

Vocabulary

calendar, bring, art,

artists, tickets, shall,

camera

كاميرا

Activity 1 Listening Track 20

Listen to two cousins have a conversation.

- Where do the cousins want to go?



Using will for instant decisions.

You can use 'I'll...' (I will) when you decide to do something.

I will

I'll ask my parents. → سألهم

We often say I think I'll... when we decide to do something.

I think I'll bring my camera.

Activity 2 Listening

Listen again. Complete the conversation below by using the words in the box.

call bring look ask

- Mira:** Hi Nahla, are you free this weekend?
Nahla: Hi Mira! Hmm, I'll ¹ look in my calendar.
 Yes, I'm free. Do you want to do something?
Mira: Yes, there is an art festival in the design district. Do you want to go?
Nahla: Of course! I'll ² ask my parents!
Mira: Great! I think I'll ³ bring my camera to take photos.
Nahla: Yeah, good idea! I'll ⁴ call you tonight and let you know what my parents say.
Mira: I hope they says yes.
Nahla: Me too, bye!
Mira: Bye!

LANGUAGE TIP

We use 'shall' to ask someone's opinion about an idea.

a It's a hot day. Shall we go to the beach?

b No, I'm too tired.

Activity 3 Practice

Match sentences 1-4 with sentences a-d.

- 1 I'm hungry. → a I think I'll read a book.
 2 I need to ask my sister a question. → b Shall we go to the beach?
 3 I'm bored. → c I think I'll eat lunch.
 4 It's a nice day. → d Shall I call you later?
 5 You are very busy. → e I'll go find her.



Activity 4 Practice

Read the sentences and circle the correct option.

- 1 I call / I'll call you tomorrow.
- 2 I want to buy this painting. I'll ask / I ask how much it costs.
- 3 I love art. I go / I'll go to art festivals a lot.
- 4 I want to take photos at the festival. I bring / I'll bring my camera.
- 5 I go to a lot of art festivals. I talk / I'll talk to the artists.

Activity 5 Speaking

Read the sentences in the speech bubbles. When do you say each one?
For example, I say "I'll buy some tickets" when we go to the cinema.

I'll call my cousin.

- * when I went to park
- * when I went shopping
- * when I went shopping

Shall we ask our friends?

- * when we want to travel together.
- * when I want to help some one.

Shall we go together?

- * when I want to go to the cinema.
- * when I want to go to Resturant.

I'll ask my parents.

- * when I went to go in picnic
- * when I went to house friends.

I'll buy some tickets

- * when I want to watch.
- * when I want to travel.

I'll ask how much it costs.

- * when I went to travel.
- * when I went to play games.

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Lesson 4: National festivals

- What is a national festival?
- Does the UAE have a national festival?

مهرجان
اعمال يدوية

Key Structure

Synonyms
big / huge

Vocabulary سوق
ثقافة
culture, traditions, market
صناعات
crafts, jewellery, national
الوطني

Activity 1 Reading

Read about the Janadriyah Festival.
What is the aim of the text?

The Janadriyah National Festival

The Janadriyah National Festival started in 1985. It is in Saudi Arabia. It is a cultural festival. This means it celebrates the traditions of Saudi Arabia. The festival lasts two weeks. It usually starts in February or March.

The festival starts with a huge camel race. There are also horse races, falconry and traditional poetry readings. A large book fair is part of the festival. There is also an enormous market at the festival. You can buy traditional crafts and jewellery at the market.

VOCABULARY

tradition: things that have happened for a long time

crafts: something that is made



Activity 2 Reading

Read the text again, mark the sentences below as (T) true or (F) false.

- 1 The first festival was in 1895. T/F
- 2 It celebrates the traditions of Saudi Arabia. T/F
- 3 It always starts in February. T/F
- 4 The festival starts with a camel race. T/F
- 5 At the festival, the market is small. T/F
- 6 The market sells crafts and jewellery. T/F

X A hot day - opposite

LANGUAGE TIP

Synonyms are words or phrases that mean the same thing as another word or phrase.

- 1 big / large / huge
- 2 pretty / beautiful / gorgeous
- 3 amazing / wonderful / magnificent



opposite
small
huge
large
area of items

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Activity 3 Speaking

In pairs, answer the questions below.

- What does National Day in the UAE celebrate?
- What date is National Day?
- When was the first National Day in the UAE?
- What happens on National Day?



WRITING TIP

Before writing a description, it is good to think about the questions you need to answer.

- What is the festival?
- When does it happen?
- Why does it happen?
- What happens during the festival?

Activity 4 Writing

Answer the questions to write a short description of National Day in the UAE.

When is the UAE's National Day?
 The UAE National Day is on 2nd of Decem

When was the first UAE National Day?
 The first UAE's National Day was in 1971

What does the UAE National Day celebrate?
 It celebrate the united of the seven Emirates.

What happens during UAE National Day?
 a. We sing national songs.
 b. We wear the national cloths
 c. We decorate our house.

Thursday 14 Feb 2019

Lesson 5: Let's go to a festival

- How many festivals have you visited?
- Do you go to festivals with your family?

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Where are you from? Country

- UAE
- USA
- England
- Turkey
- Canada

Key Structure

Inviting someone to a festival
Would you like to come to a festival?

Vocabulary نشاط جنسية
to visit, activities, nationality,
to invite, to reply, paintings,
fireworks اعاد لوجه ظن

What is nationality

- Emirati
- American
- British
- Turkish
- Canadian

Activity 1 Speaking

Ask and answer the questions in pairs.

- Why is the UAE's National Day important?
- Why do people enjoy it?

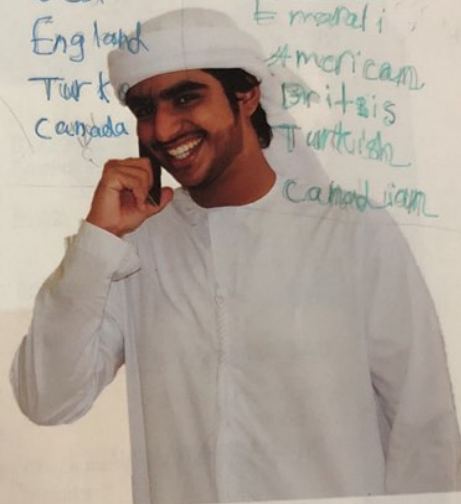
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Activity 2 Listening Track 21

Listen to a phone conversation between two friends. What nationality are they?

Activity 3 Listening

Listen again and circle the correct answer to the questions.



1 What does James say about England?

- a it's crowded
- b it's hot
- c it's cold

2 How many weeks holiday does James have?

- a one
- b two
- c three

3 Where does Nasser live?

- a Abu Dhabi
- b Dubai
- c Sharjah

4 What date does Nasser want James to arrive before?

- a 2nd November
- b 22nd December
- c 2nd December

5 What does Nasser want to celebrate with James?

- a Eid al-Fitr
- b UAE National Day
- c Al Hijra

6 Would James like to go?

- a yes
- b no
- c maybe



SPEAKING TIP

When **inviting** someone to something we can use 'Would you like...?'

*Would you like to visit Adu Dhabi?
Would you like to go to the festival?*

You can **reply** by saying:

*I would love to go.
That sounds great.*

If you can't go, you can say:
Sorry, I can't.



UAE Art Festival

- celebrates art in the UAE
- lots of paintings
- can take art classes



Janadriyah National Festival

- cultural festival in Saudi Arabia
- has a big market
- has animal races

Activity 4 Speaking

Choose one of the festivals/celebrations below.
Invite one of your friends to join.

Would you like to go to the Janadriyah National Festival?

I don't know, what is it?

It has a big market and there are animal races.

That sounds fun! Yes, I would like to go.



Eid Al Fitr

- celebrates the end of Ramadan
- visit the mosque for prayer
- eat a big, delicious feast

Sunday 17 of Feb. 2019

Lesson 6: Language focus

- Which festivals would you like to go to?
- What are you doing this weekend?

Key Structure

Present continuous (future)
Amir **is meeting** his friend tomorrow.

Vocabulary

to have a meeting, diary,
to make plans, planner, to
check email

look at
notebook

Activity 1 Reading

Look at Amir's planner. How many festivals is he going to?

FEBRUARY

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FEBRUARY

Sunday
Class at 8:30am

Monday
10am Test

Tuesday
11am Book festival at university

Wednesday
Student leaders meeting at 11am
Visit Omar at 7pm

Thursday
Football 7-10pm

Friday

Saturday
Abu Dhabi Food Festival
Meet family at 10am

Notes
Check messages for food festival tickets

Activity 2 Reading

Look at Amir's diary again.
Read the sentences and decide if they are true (T) or false (F).

- 1 Amir has a test on Monday.
- 2 On Tuesday Amir is going to a book festival.
- 3 Amir has a meeting on Wednesday.
- 4 Amir is meeting his family at 10am on Thursday.
- 5 Amir is not playing football on Thursday night.

- T/F
T/F
T/F
T/F
T/F

Very important.

THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS

We can use the present continuous to talk about future arrangements (plans that are made).

Remember to use be + -ing verb.

We are meeting my cousins tomorrow.

Activity 3 Practice

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb to be and an -ing verb.

1 Tomorrow we are going to a book festival. (go)

2 They are watching a film at the cinema tonight. (watch)

3 Emma is going to a film festival in Dubai tomorrow. (go)

4 We have a test on Monday. We are getting the results on Tuesday. (get)

When is your vacation year?

cut
cutting
shop
shopping

Activity 4 Practice

Complete the diary with your plans.

Sunday Maryam and I are doing the project

Monday Maha and I are eating pizza 7pm

Tuesday

Wednesday Dish and I are going

Thursday Amna and I are going festival

Friday Alia and I are going mall 8pm

Saturday Fatima and I are going cinema 8pm

Notes

Activity 5 Speaking

Share your diary with a partner. Tell your partner what you are doing on different days.

What are you doing on Saturday?

My family are having a picnic in the park.

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Lesson 7: Invitation to a food festival

- What kind of food would you like to try?
- Have you ever been to a food festival?

Activity 1 Reading

Read Amir's email invitation. Where is he going on Saturday?

To: sam@email.com
Subject: Hello

Hello Sam,

How are you? I'm going to a Japanese food festival on Saturday with my family and we have an **extra** ticket. Do you want to come with us? It will be really fun, and we can try lots of unusual foods. It starts at 9am but we are meeting at 10am. Please let me know if you can come.

Your friend,

Amir

Key Structure

Invitations

Do you want to come to a food festival?

Vocabulary

to try food, to join,
unusual, international,
ticket, invitation

Activity 2 Reading

Read the email replies. Which one is Sam's reply?

- a) Thanks for inviting me to the cinema on Saturday. I would love to come. What time does the film start?
- b) Thank you for your email. I'm sorry but I can't come to the book festival on Friday. I have to study for my English exam.
- c) Thanks for the invitation. The food festival sounds fun. I would like to come. Where should I meet you?



very important

WRITING TIP

If you want someone to do something with you, you can send an **invitation**. Remember to say what you are doing, where you are going and when.

You can use these expressions:

Do you want to...

Would you like to...

Let me know if you can come.