

Teaching Calendar

Here you'll find selected cultural, political, and commemorative dates and upcoming events that may be of interest, relevant to the LINC Curriculum to support language training instructors.

February 2019

Days of Religious Significance This Month

(see <http://www.interfaith-calendar.org/> for more information)

February 02, 2019	Candlemas – Presentation of Christ in the Temple – Christian Feast of St. Brigid of Kildare – Celtic Christian
February 03, 2019	Feast of St. Blaise – Christian Setsebun Sai – Shinto Four Chaplains Sunday – Interfaith
February 05, 2019	Chinese New Year – Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist
February 08, 2019	Nirvana Day – Buddhist, Jain
February 10, 2019	Cheesefare Sunday – Orthodox Christian Transfiguration Sunday – Christian
February 14, 2019	Feast of St. Valentine – Christian
February 17, 2019	Triodion begins – Orthodox Christian
February 26, 2019	Intercalary Days – Baha'i

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Observances and Celebrations This Month

Black History Month

http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search.jsp?N=4293412646&Ns=p_pub_date_sort

(lists events taking place at various Toronto Public Library locations)

https://torontopubliclibrary.typepad.com/new_to_canada/2018/02/the-legacy-of-black-canadians.html

<http://blackhistorycanada.ca/>

<http://www.2learn.ca/enjoy/blackhistory/>

Psychology Month

<https://www.cpa.ca/psychologymonth/psychmonthpublic>

<http://www.cpa.ca/psychologymonth/facts>

(from site above; suitable for higher-level learners)

Days and Weeks of Cultural Significance This Month

February 01, 2019

World Read Aloud Day

https://eslholidaylessons.com/03/world_read_aloud_day.html

(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

https://eslholidaylessons.com/03/world_read_aloud_day-g.htm

(interactive online exercise)

https://eslholidaylessons.com/03/world_read_aloud_day.mp3

(MP3 listening file)

February 01 – 18, 2019

Winterlude Festival (Ottawa, Ontario)

<http://www.ottawafestivals.ca/event/winterlude-2/>

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February 02, 2019

Groundhog Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/groundhog-day>

http://torontopubliclibrary.typepad.com/new_to_canada/2011/01/february-2nd-is-groundhog-day.html

<http://canada-esl.com/esl-lesson-plans/groundhog-day-esl-lesson.htm>

February 02, 2019

World Wetlands Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/world/world-wetlands-day>

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_wetlands_day.html

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http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_wetlands_day-q.htm

(interactive online exercise)

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_wetlands_day.mp3

(MP3 listening file)

February 04, 2019

World Cancer Day

<http://www.cancer.ca/en/get-involved/support-us/world-cancer-day/?region=on#>

<http://www.who.int/cancer/world-cancer-day/en/>

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_cancer_day.html

(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

https://eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_cancer_day-q.htm

(interactive online exercise)

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_cancer_day.mp3

(MP3 listening file)

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February 05, 2019

Chinese New Year (Lunar New Year / Spring Festival)

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/chinese-new-year>

<http://www.eslmadeeasy.ca/search?q=chinese>

(references 2015 and 2017, but useful info. and links)

https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Lower-Levels_Lunar-New-Year1.pdf

(for lower levels - CLB 1 to 4)

https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Higher-Levels_Lunar-New-Year1.pdf

(for higher levels - CLB 5 to 8)

February 11, 2019

World Marriage Day

<http://wmd.wwme.org/>

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_marriage_day.html

(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

https://eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_marriage_day-q.htm

(interactive online exercise)

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/world_marriage_day.mp3

(MP3 listening file)

February 14, 2019

St. Valentine's Day

<http://www.eslmadeeasy.ca/2015/02/happy-valentines-day.html>

(links to various resources)

https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Lower-Levels_Valentines-Day1.pdf

(for lower levels - CLB 1 to 4)

https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Higher-Levels_Valentines-Day.pdf

(for higher levels - CLB 5 to 8)

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/valentines_day.html

(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/valentines_day-q.htm

(interactive online exercise)

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http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/valentines_day.mp3

(MP3 listening file)

February 15, 2019

National Flag Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/national-flag-of-canada-day>

<http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1444133232512>

<http://eslcooperative.ca/celebrating-50th-anniversary-canadian-flag/>

(from 2015, but contains useful Canadian flag facts and etiquette)

February 17, 2019

Random Acts of Kindness Day

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/fun/random-act-of-kindness-day>

<http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/February/randomactskindness.htm>

February 19, 2019

Family Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/family-day>

https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Higher-Levels_Plan-an-outing-for-Family-Day.pdf (for higher levels - CLB 5-8; somewhat localized for British Columbia; includes assessment tool)

February 21, 2019

International Mother Language Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/international-mother-language-day>

http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/02/international_mother_language_day.html

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February 27 – March 05, 2019

Eating Disorders Awareness Week

<http://www.michellehenry.fr/anorexia.htm> (various ESL resources and links)

