

# 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.

## October 2017

### *Days of Religious Significance This Month*

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

October 01, 2017	Ashura – <b>Islam</b>
October 04, 2017	Saint Francis Day – <b>Catholic Christian</b> Blessing of the Animals – <b>Christian</b>
October 05 – 11, 2017	Sukkot – <b>Jewish</b> (begins sundown on 4 <sup>th</sup> )
October 09, 2017	Thanksgiving – <b>Interfaith</b>
October 18, 2017	St. Luke, Apostle and Evangelist – <b>Christian</b>
October 19, 2017	Diwali / Deepavali – <b>Hindu, Sikh, Jain</b>
October 20, 2017	Birth of the Báb – <b>Baha'i</b> Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth – <b>Sikh</b> Jain New Year – <b>Jain</b>
October 28, 2017	Milvian Bridge Day – <b>Christian</b>
October 29, 2017	Reformation Day – <b>Protestant Christian</b>
October 30, 2017	Diwali Deepavali – <b>Hindu/Sikh/Jain</b>
October 31, 2017	All Hallows Eve – <b>Christian</b>

### *Observances and Celebrations This Month*

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

[www.echominnesota.org/breast-cancer-detection-prevention-and-treatment-english-language-learning](http://www.echominnesota.org/breast-cancer-detection-prevention-and-treatment-english-language-learning)  
(contains brief – fewer than two minutes each – video segments featuring doctors speaking about breast cancer, and a PDF package with vocabulary and various activities for all skill areas)

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<http://www.cancer.ca/en/cancer-information/cancer-type/breast/breast-cancer/?region=on>  
(overview of breast cancer)

<http://www.cancer.ca/en/cancer-information/cancer-type/breast/breast-cancer/breast-cancer-in-men/?region=on> (information on breast cancer in men)

Healthy Workplace Month

<http://healthyworkplacemonth.ca/en/>

Learning Disabilities Awareness Month

<http://www.ldac-acta.ca/>

*Days and Weeks of Cultural Significance This Month*

October 01 - 07, 2017      Mental Illness Awareness Week

<http://camimh.ca/mental-illness-awareness-week-english/about-miaw/>

October 01, 2017      National Seniors Day

<http://www.aplaceformom.com/blog/10-1-14-canada-seniors-day/>

(10 ways to celebrate National Seniors Day in Canada – great suggestions for “community contact” activities for learners to do with seniors in their communities)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/national-seniors-day.html>

(short video of Canadian youth sharing memories of the impacts their grandparents have had on their lives – would be a good warmup for learners to share their own “grandparent” stories)

October 02, 2017      Doors Open (Hamilton Halton Brant)

<http://theheartofontario.com/calendar/events/view/1890/doors-open-halton-region%20-%20.VZLgfk3bKUK%20-%20.V2qPcLUWC5s>

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October 02, 2017 International Day of Non-Violence

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

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/international\\_day\\_of\\_non-violence.html](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/international_day_of_non-violence.html)

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

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/international\\_day\\_of\\_non-violence-q.htm](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/international_day_of_non-violence-q.htm)

(interactive online exercise)

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/international\\_day\\_of\\_non-violence.mp3](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/international_day_of_non-violence.mp3)

(MP3 listening file)

October 04, 2017 International Walk to School Day

<http://www.saferoutestoschool.ca/international-walk-school-daymonth>

October 05, 2017 World Teachers' Day

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

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/world\\_teachers\\_day.html](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/world_teachers_day.html)

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(MP3 listening file)

October 08 - 14, 2017 Fire Prevention Week

<http://www.fiprecan.ca/home/>

<http://www.fiprecan.ca/fire-prevention-fact-sheets/>

(series of useful fact sheets on fire prevention)

<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/firepreventionpamphletsenglish>

(informative pamphlets)

October 09 – 15, 2017 Citizenship Week

<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/celebrate/citweek.asp>

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October 09, 2017      Thanksgiving Day

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

<http://www.canada-esl.com/files/thanksgiving-vocabulary.pdf>

(features a reading, vocabulary and discussion questions)

<http://learningenglishwithmichelle.blogspot.ca/2013/10/canadian-thanksgiving-eh.html>

(features a reading, videos and links to additional activities)

October 10, 2017      World Mental Health Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/world-mental-health-day>

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/world\\_mental\\_health\\_day.html](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/10/world_mental_health_day.html)

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(MP3 listening file)

October 12, 2017      World Sight Day

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

October 16, 2017      World Food Day

[http://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/?doing\\_wp\\_cron=1438350460.2533090114593505859375](http://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/?doing_wp_cron=1438350460.2533090114593505859375)

October 16 – 22, 2017      National School Safety Week

<https://canadasafetycouncil.org/campaigns/school>

October 16 - 22, 2017      Waste Reduction Week

<http://www.wrwcanda.com/en/about>

<http://www.peelregion.ca/conservation/teachgreen/>

(features teaching resources for K-12;

may be adapted for English language learning)

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October 31, 2017      Hallowe'en (All Hallows' Eve)

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/halloween>

<http://eslholidaylessons.com/10/halloween.html>

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

<http://eslholidaylessons.com/10/halloween-g.htm>

(interactive online exercise)

<http://eslholidaylessons.com/10/halloween.mp3>

(MP3 listening file)

<http://canada-esl.com/esl-themes-holiday-categories/halloween-esl/>

(Hallowe'en-themed lessons and ESL resources)

<http://www.eslflow.com/Halloweenlessons.html>

(features links to various activities)

