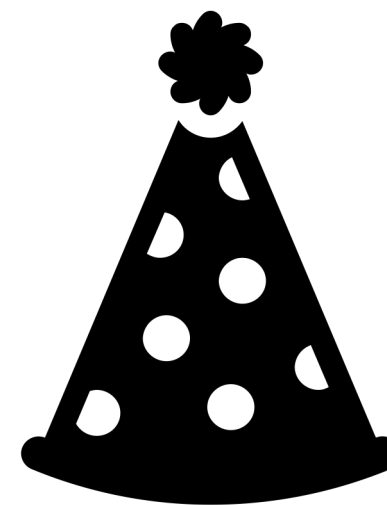


# April Fool's Day

1<sup>st</sup> April



# What is April Fools' Day?

- Try to explain in English to your partner.
- Other starter questions:
- Have you ever played a prank on someone? What happened? Did they find it funny?
- What is the funniest joke you know?

# Fill in the Blanks

- Here are some stories from April Fools' Day. Try to guess what the missing words are.

# Burger King

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- In the 1990s, Burger King published an advert in the magazine *USA Today* offering new '\_\_\_\_\_ Whoppers' (hamburgers) for the 32 million \_\_\_\_\_ Americans! Thousands of customers ordered the new burger in the restaurants.

- A) Half-price
- B) Left-handed
- C) Vegan
- D) Gluten-free



# Answer

- B) Left-handed



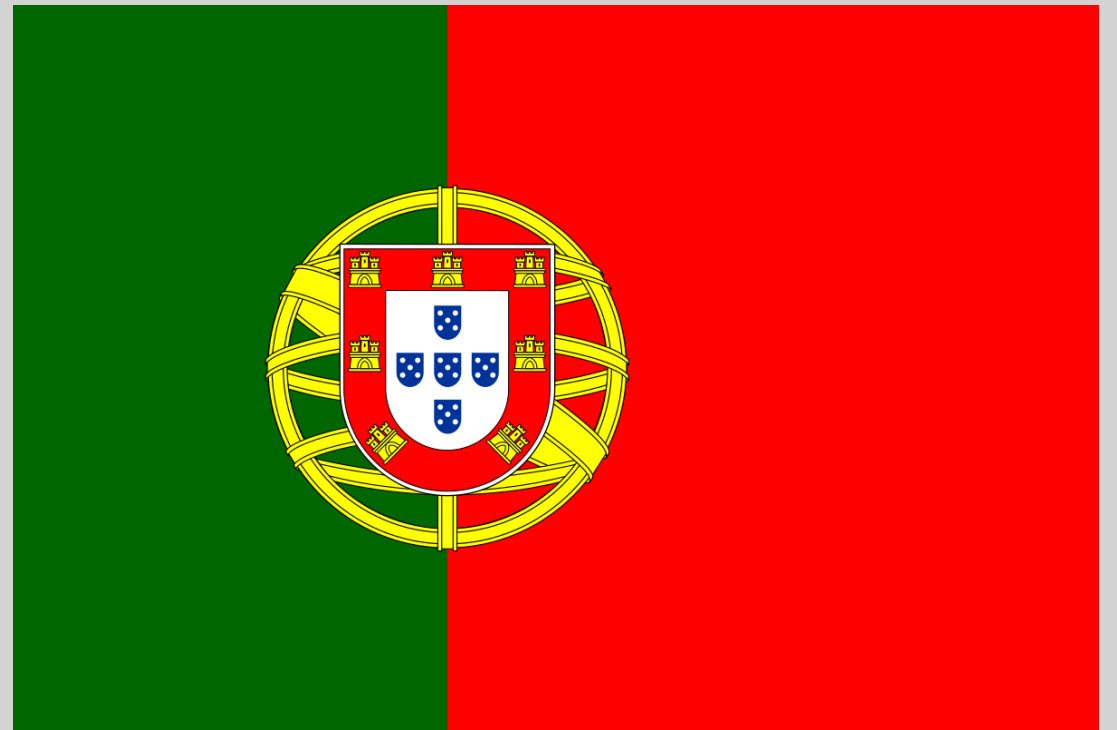
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- A zoo in Japan said that they had a giant penguin that was 165cm tall and weighed 80kg! In fact, it was \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) a man dressed up in a penguin suit.
- B) a very large skunk.
- C) two penguins stacked on top of each other.
- D) a panda.

# Answer

- A) A man dressed up in a penguin suit.

- A British newspaper announced that Portugal had 'sold' \_\_\_\_\_ to Spain for €160 million. Why? To try to clear its national debt. It was a joke, of course.
- A) The island Madeira
- B) The Mosteiro dos Jeronimos
- C) Cristiano Ronaldo
- D) The Torre de Belem





# Answer

- C) Cristiano Ronaldo

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- The free London newspaper, *Metro*, came up with a novel idea to deal with the problem of litter on the underground (unfortunately it was only a joke). They said that the newspaper was now \_\_\_\_\_ – ‘the only paper that you can \_\_\_ after reading’.

- A) edible, eat
- B) recyclable, recycle
- C) foldable, fold
- D) shrinkable, shrink



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# Answer

- A) edible, eat

# Match the words/phrases to the definitions

- 1) To have a laugh
  - 2) To get in trouble
  - 3) A national hoax
  - 4) A fool
  - 5) I don't mind
  - 6) To play a trick
  - 7) A day off
  - 8) Really good fun
- a) A silly person
  - b) To do something funny
  - c) It's not a problem for me
  - d) Very enjoyable
  - e) To enjoy yourself and have a good time
  - f) To be punished for doing something wrong
  - g) A joke or trick on the entire country
  - h) A day when you don't go to work or school

# Writing Task

- Write your own April Fools Day article. Try to be as creative as possible.