

Calendar Activities with Real World Applications! Curriculum Map

Build essential time-measurement and literacy skills with *The Calendar: Beginning Math Series*, a cross-curricular resource aligned to **Canadian provincial standards** and **U.S. Common Core**. Students learn months, days, seasons, holidays, ordinal numbers, graphing, reading comprehension, vocabulary, and written expression through engaging monthly poems, stories, and calendar activities.

This resource meets curriculum expectations in Ontario, BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Quebec, Atlantic provinces, and WNCP territories. It also aligns to Common Core standards in Math (1. MD.B.3, 2. MD.C.7, 3. MD.A.1) and ELA (RL/RI/L/W/SL for Grades 1–3). Reproducible calendars, diary pages, and teacher rubrics make implementation seamless for classrooms, homeschoolers, and intervention programs.

Perfect for morning work, math centers, literacy blocks, seasonal units, and cross-curricular learning.

Introduction:

- At A Glance – List of Skills
- Teacher Assessment Rubric
- Student Self-Assessment Rubric
- Teacher Input Suggestions

Monthly Poetry Activities

The monthly poems can be used at the beginning of each month as a student reading activity. Some of the poems may have to be read to younger students and the activities discussed orally.

Monthly Stories and Activities

The calendar stories with a follow-up can be used as a reading activity at the beginning of each month. Some of the stories may have to be read to the younger students and the activities discussed orally.

Calendar Fun Activities

Phonics and writing activities that connect to time concepts.

- Months of the Year – Skill: Ordering
- Syllables in a Month – Skill: Syllabication
- Short Forms – Skill: Abbreviations
- Sights and Sounds of the Months – Skill: Classification
- My Birthday Month – Skill: Creative Expression
- My Favorite Month – Skill: Creative Expression
- My Favorite Special Day Survey – Skill: Survey and Graphing
- Birthday Survey – Skill: Survey and Graphing
- Reading a Calendar – Skill: Reading and Writing the Date
- Using Ordinals to Read the Calendar – Skill: Reading and Writing Ordinals
- Using Ordinals to Read the Calendar – Skill: Writing the Date Using Ordinals
- Reading the Calendar – Skill: Researching for Information
- Name That Day – Skill: Main Idea
- Special Days in a Year – Skill: Recalling Details
- Celebrating a Special Day – Skill: Creative Expression
- Where are the Months of the Year Hiding (Word Search) – Skill: Vocabulary Review
- Special Day Word Search – Skill: Vocabulary Review
- Seasons in a Year – Skill: Recalling Details
- In Which Season Does it Happen? – Skill: Classifying Seasons

Reproducible Calendars

- Blank Calendar Page
- Student Weekly Diary Page
- Individual Monthly Calendar Pages



CANADIAN STANDARDS CHART

Province/Territory	Standards Met	How This Resource Aligns
Ontario	Math (Strand B, D), Language (Strand C)	Months/days, ordinals, surveys/graphs, reading skills
BC	Curricular Competencies	Time concepts, reading comprehension, vocabulary
Alberta	Math K–3, ELA	Ordinals, calendar use, reading poems/stories
Saskatchewan	Math, ELA Compose & Comprehend	Time, sequencing, main idea
Manitoba	Math Time, ELA	Calendar use, reading skills
Quebec	ELA Cycle 1, Math	Informational text, ordinals
New Brunswick	ELA K–2, Math	Reading skills, time concepts
Nova Scotia	ELA P–3, Math	Reading poems/stories, calendar skills
PEI	ELA K–3, Math	Vocabulary, written expression, time
Newfoundland & Labrador	ELA Primary, Math	Reading skills, ordinals
Yukon	BC Curriculum	Fully aligned
NWT	WNCP	Time, reading skills
Nunavut	WNCP	Time, reading skills



U.S. COMMON CORE STANDARDS CHART

Domain	Grade	Standard	Alignment
Math	1	1.MD.B.3	Using calendars to measure time
Math	2	2.MD.C.7	Understanding time concepts
Math	3	3.MD.A.1	Solving problems using calendars
ELA – Reading Lit	1–3	RL.1–3	Poems/stories: main idea, details, sequence
ELA – Informational	1–3	RI.1–3	Calendar text features, holidays, seasons
ELA – Language	1–3	L.1–3	Vocabulary, spelling months/days
ELA – Writing	1–3	W.1–3	Writing sentences, descriptive stories
Speaking & Listening	1–3	SL.1–3	Following directions, discussing calendar concepts

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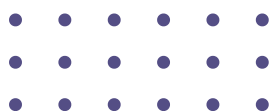
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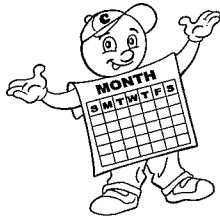
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Name: _____

Skill: Ordering

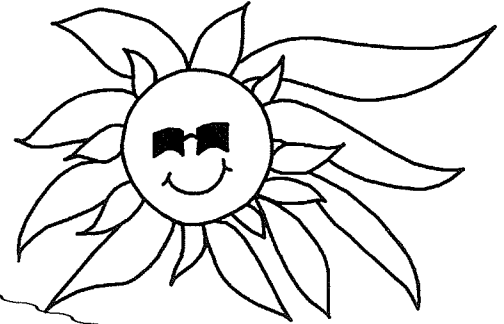


Calendar Fun!

Months of the Year

There are 12 months in a year.

Their names are in the calendar.



February	June	September
May	March	July
October	August	April
January	December	November

The months of the year fall in a certain order.

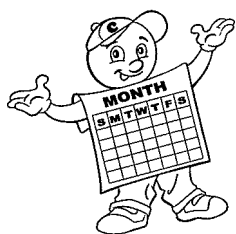
Write their names in the order that they come in a year.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____

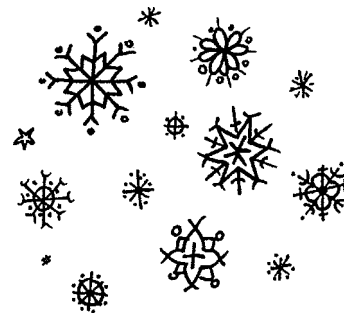
Name: _____

Skill: Syllabication



Calendar Fun!

Syllables in a Month



January is the first month of the year.

The word January has three syllables.

Print the name of each month in the correct syllable snowball.

One Syllable

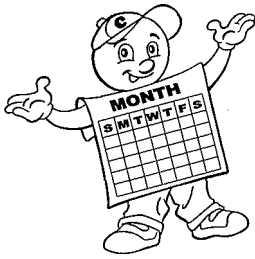
Two Syllables

Three Syllables

Four Syllables

Name: _____

Skill: Abbreviations



Calendar Fun!

Short Forms



Sometimes a word can be written in a shorter way.

This short way is called a short form or an abbreviation.

Example: January – Jan.

Each short form or abbreviation must end with a period.

Beside the name of each month write its short form. Don't forget to put a period at the end of each one.

1. February _____

6. January _____

2. March _____

7. September _____

3. April _____

8. October _____

4. August _____

9. November _____

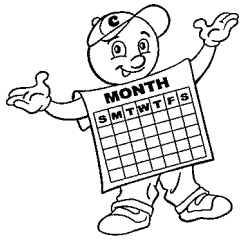
5. December _____

Some of the months do not have a short form.

Print their names on the lines below.

Name: _____

Skill: Classification



Calendar Fun!

Sights and Sounds of the Months

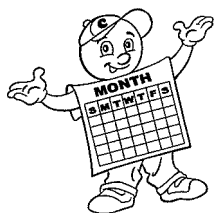
During the year each month brings different sights and sounds.

Beside each sight or sound write the name of the month it is seen or heard in.

1. children making snowmen _____
2. people singing Irish songs _____
3. children wearing new clothes _____
4. someone playing a trick _____
5. children shouting and jumping happily _____
6. valentines, hearts, and cupids _____
7. children calling "trick or treat" _____
8. Christmas trees, sparkling lights _____
9. a wreath placed on a monument _____
10. geese honking loudly while flying _____
11. children planting trees _____
12. flags waving, parades with bands _____
13. jack-o'-lanterns, witches, bats _____
14. soldiers walking in a parade _____

Name: _____

Skill: *Creative Expression*



Calendar Fun!

My Birthday Month

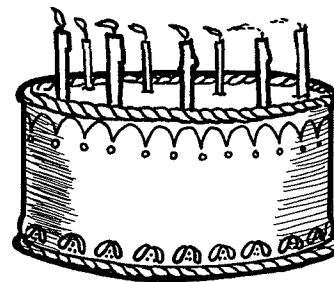
When do you celebrate your birthday?

Write its date on the line.

Write a story telling how you have celebrated one of your birthdays.

In your story tell the following things:

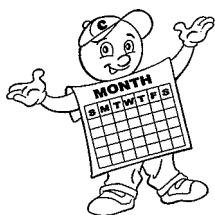
- where your birthday took place
- the number of people at your birthday
- the names of the people
- the things that you did
- the foods that you ate
- the presents that you were given



My Birthday Party

Name: _____

Skill: Creative Expression



Calendar Fun!

My Favorite Month



There are 12 months in a year.

Which one is your favorite month?

In a few sentences tell why it is your favorite.

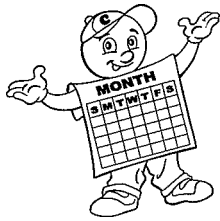
My favorite month is _____

Draw a picture of something that takes place in your favorite month.

A large empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a drawing.

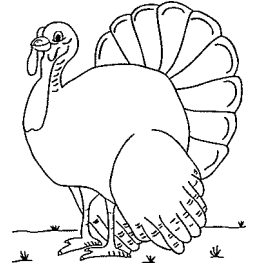
Name: _____

Skill: Survey and Graphing



Calendar Fun!

My Favorite Special Day Survey



Everyone loves special celebrations and special days.

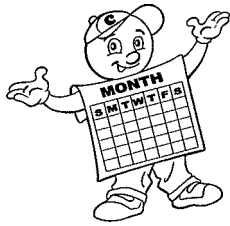
Survey your class to find out which special day or celebration is liked the most.

Complete the survey and then make a bar graph to show your results.

Name of Day	Checks ✓	Total
Thanksgiving Day		
Halloween		
Valentine's Day		
St. Patrick's Day		
Christmas Day		
Mother's Day		
Father's Day		
New Year's Day		
Christmas Eve		
Easter Sunday		
April Fool's Day		
Arbor Day		
The most popular day is _____.		

Name: _____

Skill: Survey and Graphing



Calendar Fun!

Birthday Survey



Everyone in your class has a birthday.

Survey your class to find out the name of the month in which each classmate celebrates his or her birthday.

Complete the survey and then make a bar graph to show your results.

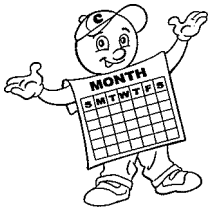
Name of Month	Checks ✓	Total
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		

The month with the most birthdays is _____.

The month with the fewest birthdays is _____.

Name: _____

Skill: Reading and Writing the Date



Calendar Fun!

Reading a Calendar



Under each month record the date that is circled.

Write it the long way and the short way.

Example: Tuesday, October 15, 2010 - 15/10/2010

1.

January 2009						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			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	

2.

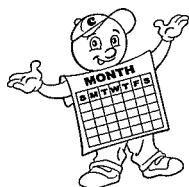
March 2010						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

3.

July 2011						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	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			

4.

October 2015						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		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		



Calendar Fun!

Using Ordinals to Read the Calendar

An ordinal is a number that can be written as a word.

Examples:

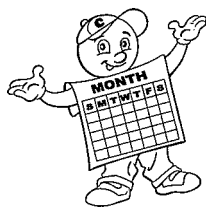
first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-first, twenty-second, twenty-third, twenty-fourth, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, twenty-ninth, thirtieth, thirty-first

January 2008						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		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		

- Put an X on the fourteenth day in January. It is a _____.
- Circle the thirtieth day in January. It is a _____.
- Box the tenth day of January. It is a _____.
- Color the eighteenth day in January red. It is a _____.
- Color the third day of January blue. It is a _____.
- Color the twenty-sixth day of January yellow. It is a _____.
- Put a green X on the thirteenth day of January. It is a _____.
- Put a purple star beside the seventh day of January. It is a _____.

Name: _____

Skill: Writing Date Using Ordinals



Calendar Fun!

Using Ordinals to Read the Calendar

Sometimes we use ordinals when we read and write the date.

Example: Thursday, December the first

Write the date for each day marked on the calendar with a symbol.

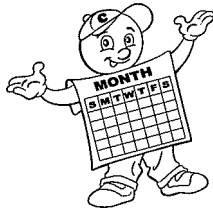
December

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4 ★	5
6 ❖	7	8	9	10 ●	11	12 X
13	14 ▲	15	16	17	18 ✦	19
20	21	22	23 ■	24	25	26
27	28	29 ○	30	31		

1. ● _____
2. ■ _____
3. ▲ _____
4. ★ _____
5. ○ _____
6. ✦ _____
7. X _____
8. ❖ _____

Name: _____

Skill: Researching for Information



Calendar Fun!

Reading the Calendar



A calendar is a way that people keep track of the time that passes in a year.

How well can you read a calendar?

Look at a calendar and find out the answers to the following questions.

Answer each question with a proper sentence.

1. Which months of the year have thirty-one days?

2. Which months of the year have thirty days?

3. Which month of the year has twenty-eight days most of the time?

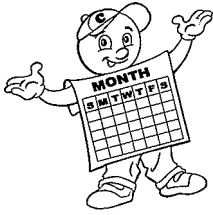
4. How many days are there in a week?

5. How many days are there in a year?

6. How many weeks are there in a year?

7. How many months are there in a year?

8. Write the names of the months in the order that they come in a year.



Calendar Fun!

Name That Day!

There are seven days in a week. Do you know their names?

1. Write their names in the correct order as they fall in a week.

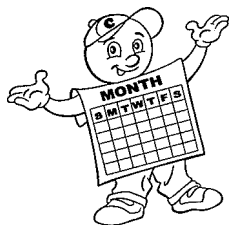
2. The days of the week have short forms like the months of the year. Write the short form for each day of the week.

3. Read each riddle and write the name of the day it is talking about on the line.

- a) Everyone goes to work on this day. School begins on this day. It is the second day of the week. It is called _____.
- b) On this day some people go to church. It is the first day of the week. Many people do not work on this day. It is called _____.
- c) This is a work day, too. It is also a school day. It is the fifth day of the week. It is called _____.
- d) It is the seventh day of the week. It is also the last day of the week. Everyone likes to go shopping or to the movies on this day. It is called _____.
- e) It is the sixth day of the week. It is the last school day. For some people it is the last work day of the week. It is called _____.
- f) It is the third day of the week. It comes after Monday. Children go to school and many people go to work. It is called _____.
- g) It is the fourth day of the week. This day comes in the middle of the week. It is a school day and a work day. It is called _____.

Name: _____

Skill: Recalling Details



Calendar Fun!

Special Days in a Year

In each month of the year there is a special day that is celebrated.

Use a calendar to find the date of each special day.

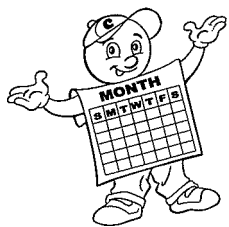
Write its date on the line beside its name.



1. New Year's Day _____
2. Halloween _____
3. Veteran's Day (U.S.) _____
4. Christmas Day _____
5. St. Patrick's Day _____
6. Remembrance Day (Can.) _____
7. April Fool's Day _____
8. Christmas Eve _____
9. Easter Sunday _____
10. Valentine's Day _____
11. Labor Day _____
12. Thanksgiving Day _____
13. New Year's Eve _____

Name: _____

Skill: Creative Expression



Calendar Fun!

Celebrating a Special Day



In a year, there are many special days that we celebrate.

Choose your favorite day.

My favorite special day is _____.

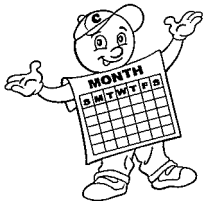
Write a story about the day that you chose.

Draw a picture to go with your story. Color it neatly.

A large empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing a picture related to the story.

Name: _____

Skill: Vocabulary Review



Calendar Fun!

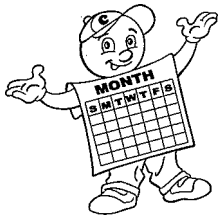
Where are the Months of the Year Hiding?

In a year there are 12 months. Look for the names of the months that are hiding in the calendar word search. Color the name of each month red.

X B W U J V I X Z A F E B R U A R Y Z W F P B Q G I A Y
G R S J C I G F J Y C B R I Q B X P V O J G N R M J R S
Z H K A J D K H E K D N P S U L K P S Q O B C C A D F H
Y L L N K W L V G F E U D T N C Y M A T I H G D Y K E T
A I M U J E M P D N O V E M B E R J K L U N P O E U Q R
R H N A B R F M N L T K O J Q I Y Z W M E V G V U W T S
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T T F Y S P D Q O R S N X P R P Y M A R C H X W J Y C B
C D U B V Q W Y P S E Q F O H V P X G G B R E E W D I F
B L E K A J Z J I E R T I A H Q Z X O Q P K Q L F M Z R
H M I A F K Y Z Q P S R J K B O O N A E Y D C V X S Y A
C T D S F L R I C T Q U C S M W J U N E B Z D F H N T G
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J V E U G D H W Q M N Y N T N A E E X J B C M P U Q U R
R K U W K V E O J B M X V Z C U Y F W D F Z S A G B A J
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Name: _____

Skill: Vocabulary Review



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Special Day Search

There are many different days celebrated in a year in Canada and the United States.

Some of the days are the same while some are different.

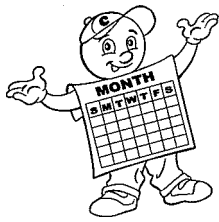
Search through the word search to find as many special days as you can. There are 17 of them.

Color each special day green.

B	C	H	R	I	S	T	M	A	S	D	A	Y	L	Q	D	G	O	H	P	S	Q	J	T	W	K	I	X
C	A	F	G	Q	W	T	I	N	K	U	C	M	M	N	R	M	Y	R	S	I	V	R	U	T	X	N	Y
I	V	D	H	U	R	X	S	G	R	O	U	N	D	H	O	G	D	A	Y	U	Z	B	T	V	L	D	C
M	E	A	S	T	E	R	S	U	N	D	A	Y	B	A	N	E	S	Z	T	A	P	S	D	F	W	E	G
J	T	L	E	P	Y	E	V	H	J	I	J	V	A	L	Q	M	O	T	H	E	R	S	D	A	Y	P	E
N	E	K	O	C	B	M	G	W	Z	O	K	P	L	L	Q	A	F	R	B	S	E	H	T	O	K	E	P
G	R	J	C	E	D	E	B	F	X	A	B	C	Z	O	Y	B	O	R	M	G	S	N	I	U	A	N	Z
I	A	H	D	F	K	M	L	A	B	F	Y	D	A	W	P	X	E	S	B	F	I	R	H	J	V	D	Q
G	N	G	L	F	E	B	G	M	C	L	D	Z	E	E	S	U	R	P	T	J	D	L	I	W	L	E	K
H	S	Y	A	A	W	R	K	A	H	A	N	U	E	E	O	T	D	V	Q	C	E	P	M	O	X	N	Y
C	D	I	F	T	H	A	N	K	S	G	I	V	I	N	G	D	A	Y	V	Q	N	W	Y	N	M	C	N
D	A	X	Z	H	B	N	J	G	J	D	V	I	U	V	E	D	P	W	X	Y	T	Z	A	A	B	E	C
J	Y	B	Y	E	G	C	X	K	H	A	W	H	J	H	U	J	R	I	M	B	S	N	D	O	Q	D	P
K	E	R	F	R	Z	E	I	Q	Z	Y	H	G	T	K	F	K	I	D	L	F	D	O	S	V	P	A	O
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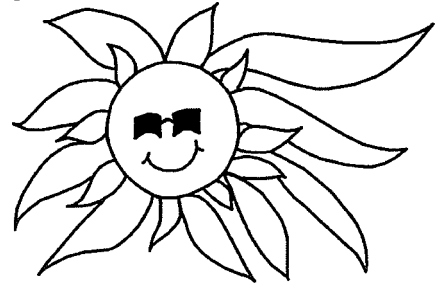
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Calendar Fun!

Seasons in a Year

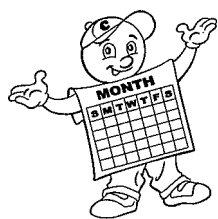


Our year is divided into four main seasons.

1. What are the names of the four seasons?

2. Which season is the coldest? _____
3. Which season is the warmest? _____
4. In which season do the leaves become colorful and drop off the trees?

5. In which season do tulips and daffodils grow and trees grow new leaves? _____
6. In which season is it cold and snow falls? _____
7. In which season is it hot and sunny? _____
8. On which day of the year does spring begin? _____
9. On which day of the year does autumn begin? _____
10. On which day of the year does summer begin? _____
11. On which day of the year does winter begin? _____
12. Which season do you like the best? _____
Tell why you like it the best.



Calendar Fun!

In Which Season Does It Happen?

In each season people do different things and different things are seen.

Read each sentence carefully. On the line, write the name of the season that it is describing.

Spring Summer Autumn Winter

1. The leaves had turned red, orange, and yellow and were falling from the trees. _____
2. Snowflakes stuck to my coat as I was walking to school. _____
3. The children were playing in the sand on the sunny beach. _____
4. The people were picking big red apples from the trees and putting them into large barrels. _____
5. Flowers were poking their little heads through the earth in our flower garden. _____
6. The boys were having a big snowball fight in the schoolyard during recess. _____
7. We watched my big brother play baseball at the park. _____
8. The squirrels were running about looking for food and hiding it in their nests. _____
9. The warm sun made the buds on the trees change to leaves.

10. Icicles were hanging from the roof of our house. _____
11. The geese were honking loudly as they flew high in the sky. _____
12. My family went on a big trip across the country for a holiday.
