



2024 Calendar of World and Language Holidays

January 2024

Monday, Jan. 1st – Western New Year

Saturday, Jan. 20th – Saint Sebastian's Day **Spanish (Castilian)**

February 2024

Saturday, Feb. 10th – Chinese New Year **Chinese (Mandarin)**

Saturday, Feb. 10th – Seollal (Korean New Year) **Korean**

Saturday, Feb. 10th – Tết Nguyên Đán (Vietnamese New Year) **Vietnamese**

Wednesday, Feb. 14th – Valentine's Day

Saturday, Feb. 17th – Carnival begins **Portuguese (Brazilian)**

Wednesday, Feb. 21st – International Mother Language Day

Wednesday, Feb. 21st – Mardi Gras **French**

March 2024

Sunday, Mar. 17th – St. Patrick's Day **Irish**

Wednesday, Mar. 20th – French Language Day **French**

Saturday, Mar. 23rd – Purim (begins) **Hebrew**

Monday, Mar. 25th – Greek Independence Day **Greek**

April 2024

Tuesday, Apr. 9th – National Library Workers Day

Saturday, Apr. 13th – Tamil New Year **Tamil**

Monday, Apr. 15th – Bengali New Year **Bengali**

Wednesday, Apr. 17th – National Haiku Poetry Day **Japanese**

Tuesday, Apr. 23rd – Spanish Language Day **Spanish**

Tuesday, Apr. 23rd – English Language Day **English**

Tuesday, Apr. 23rd – Shakespeare's Birthday **English (Shakespearean)**

May 2024

Wednesday, May 1st – Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month begins

Sunday, May 5th – Cinco de Mayo **Spanish (Latin American)**

Saturday, May 25th – National Wine Day **French**

June 2024

Sunday, June 2nd – Festa della Repubblica **Italian**

Tuesday, June 11th – National German Chocolate Cake Day **German**

Friday, June 14th – National Flag Day (USA)

Monday, June 17th – Icelandic National Day **Icelandic**

Tuesday, June 18th – International Sushi Day **Japanese Hindi**

Thursday, June 20th – World Refugee Day

Thursday, June 27th – ALA Annual Conference (begins)

July 2024

Monday, July 1st – Fête du Canada **French**

Thursday, July 4th – Independence Day

Sunday, July 14th – Bastille Day (France) **French**

Saturday, July 20th – Colombian Independence Day **Spanish Latin American**

August 2024

Friday, Aug. 9th – International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples **Cherokee, Potawatomi**

Thursday, Aug. 15th – Korean Independence Day **Korean**

September 2024

Friday, Sept. 6th – National Read a Book Day

Sunday, Sept. 8th – International Literacy Day

Sunday, Sept. 15th – National Hispanic Heritage Month (begins) **Spanish (Latin American)**

Saturday Sept. 21st – Oktoberfest (begins) **German**

Thursday, Sept. 19th – International Talk like a Pirate Day **Pirate**

Saturday, Sept. 21st – International Day of Peace (U.N.)

Thursday, Sept. 26th – European Day of Languages

Friday, Sept. 27th – World Tourism Day

October 2024

Sunday, Oct. 6th – National German-American Day **German**

Monday, Oct. 14th – Indigenous Peoples' Day (U.S.) **Cherokee, Potawatomi**

Thursday, Oct. 24th – United Nations Day

Thursday, Oct. 31st – Diwali (Festival of Lights) begins

November 2024

Friday, Nov. 1st – Native American Heritage Month (begins) **Cherokee, Potawatomi**

Friday, Nov. 1st – Día de Muertos **Spanish (Latin American)**

Monday, Nov. 11th – Single's Day (China) **Chinese (Mandarin)**

Wednesday, Nov. 20th – Universal Children's Day

Thursday, Nov. 28th – Thanksgiving

December 2024

Friday, Dec. 6th – Finland Independence Day **Finnish**

Tuesday, Dec. 10th – Human Rights Day

Wednesday, Dec. 18th – World Arabic Language Day **Arabic**

Wednesday, Dec. 25th – Christmas

Wednesday, Dec. 25th – Hanukkah (begins) **Hebrew, Yiddish**

Thursday, Dec. 26th – Boxing Day (Canada)

Thursday, Dec. 26th – Kwanzaa (begins)