U.S. INDEPENDENCE DAY



The 4th of July is party time in America. It's America's birthday and Americans celebrate their independence from Great Britain in 1776.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE

These are the colours of the American flag. People wear red, white and blue clothes and they decorate their houses and streets with red, white and blue flags.

What are the colours in your country's flag?

PARADES

Every town has a big Independence Parade with lots of bands and happy music. The biggest and best parades are in New York.

FOOD

On Independence Day Americans eat traditional American food. Americans eat 155 million hot dogs on Independence Day! In New York there is a hot dog eating competition. Some people can eat 50 hot dogs in 12 minutes!

Here are some other Independence Day things to eat. Tick what you want to eat.

FIREWORKS

There are lots of parties and fireworks in most towns. The sky is full of colour. Fireworks are pretty but they are noisy and they are dangerous. Every year 7,000 kids have accidents with fireworks on Independence Day!

When do you have fireworks in your country?

FAMILY FUN

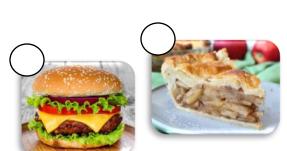
Many Americans like to be with their families. Some go to the beach or a lake for a barbecue.

Which is better? beach lake

What do you think is the best thing about Independence Day?

Fireworks parades

Picnics hot dogs







corn-on-the-cob



FACTS AND PLANS



The missing words in these sentences are in the starts but they are in the wrong order.

Put the letters in the correct order and write the answers in the stripes.

1.	There are 50 stars on the flag because America has 50states										
2.	The flag is called 'The and Stripes'.										
3.	Independence Day isn't in the winter; it's in the										
4.	Let's celebrate by the sea. We can go to the										
5 .	We can eat outside. It's a good day for having a										
6.	We can eat pie.										
7 .	If we dress up, we can join the in the town.										
8.	8. Listen! The band is playing the national										
9.	We're inviting our grandparents to a barbecue. Independence Day is a										
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