

Lesson 5

Do you like holidays? Read the text about one funny holiday.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Here are some new words:

a fool [fu:l] — глупец

first [fɜ:st] — первый

sometimes ['sʌmtaɪmz] — иногда

to show [ʃəʊ] — показывать

to grow [grəʊ] — выращивать

a bush [bʊʃ] — куст

to believe [br'i:lv] — верить

horizontally [ˌhɒrɪ'zɒntəli] — горизонтально

holiday ['hɒlɪdeɪ] — праздник

to set back — отводить назад

a hole [həʊl] — дырка, отверстие

(**buttonhole** — петля для пуговицы)

Can you guess and translate?

April ['eɪprəl]

a trick

spaghetti [spə'getɪ]

popular ['pɒpjələ]

April Fool's Day is the **first** day of April. In England it is the day for **tricks**. You play

funny jokes on parents, sisters, brothers, friends, classmates and **sometimes** on teachers.

You can play as many tricks as you can on as many people as you like.

You can play April Fool tricks only before 12 o'clock. If you play it after 12 you are the April Fool.



Children like this day very much. They have lots of fun. They are happy to play lovely and kind tricks.

TV **shows** funny films on the first of April. Sometimes they show new films. In one of the films they say that farmers **grow** long **spaghetti** in the **bushes**.

These films are very **popular**. But some people don't **believe** it and they say that spaghetti can't grow **horizontally**, others ask where they can buy spaghetti bushes.

This is a very funny **holiday**.

Here are some tricks children play.

— *Call the zoo and ask to speak to Mr Lion.*

— **Set** the clock **back** an hour.

— *Say to a friend: "Oh my! You have four big **holes** in your coat ..."* (**Buttonholes.**)

— *Look at your feet. You have two shoes... One left and one right.*

April Fool's Day

The doorbell is ringing
Better **hurry** and see!
I think it is the **postman**
With a present for me.

I think it is a farmer
With the bag of **hay**
Or a **clown** from the **circus**
Who just wants to play.

I think it is a **spaceman**
Coming in for a call
But today's April Fool's Day —
There is no one at all.

to hurry ['hʌri] — спешить

a postman ['pəʊstmən] — почтальон

hay [heɪ] — сено

a clown [klaʊn] — клоун

a circus ['sɜ:kəs] — цирк

a spaceman ['speɪsmən] — космонавт

- ① Tell what jokes you play on the 1st of April.
- ② Do you like when classmates play tricks on you?