



Celebrations



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Birthday

(birth·day)



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Celebration

(cel·e·bra·tion)



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Fireworks

(fire·works)



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Gift

(gift)



Independence

(in·de·pend·ence)

Definition: The political freedom from control by another country.

Example: The United States declared *independence* in 1776.



Painting: The scene of the surrender of the British General John Burgoyne at Saratoga, on October 17, 1777. Painted by John Trumbull. Released into public domain by the Architect of the Capitol.

Memorial

(me·mo·ri·al)

Definition: Something designed to preserve the memory of a person, event, etc., as a monument or a holiday.

Example: People build *memorials* to remember someone important and the work that they did.



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Parade

(pa·rade)



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Thanksgiving

(thanks·giv·ing)

Definition: The act of giving thanks; grateful acknowledgement of benefits or favors

Example: On the first *Thanksgiving* Day, the Pilgrims gave thanks for their bountiful harvest and to the Native Americans for their help.



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Veteran

(vet·er·an)



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Pilgrim

(pil·grim)



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Settlers

(settlers)



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