When is Groundhog Day? Read and find out. Then read the Groundhog Day poem and complete the gaps with the words in the list.

• inside • play • all • Day • round • now • way • cheeks

In the USA and Canada, there is a festival people celebrate on 2nd February. They call it Groundhog Day. On this day, people get together around a hole in the ground. Why? Because that's where a groundhog lives and on this day, the groundhog gets out of his hole and shows us when spring will come.



In wintertime the snowflakes fall, the wind blows hard; it's cold for **1**)

In February there's a day
That lets us know spring's on its **2**) ______

A friendly groundhog, small and **3**) ______ Comes from its hole deep in the ground.

When it's sunny and bright outside,
The groundhog goes back 4) _____

We are all sad with tears on our **5**) _____ The winter stays for six more weeks!

But when the sky is cloudy and grey
The groundhog will come out to **6**) _____

The wintertime is over **7**) ______
The cold wind leaves and spring comes! Wow!

So what's this festival, I hear you say? We all call it Groundhog 8) ______!





ICT In groups, find pictures for each part of the poem. Then show them to the class.