

- 1 What is Groundhog Day? Where do people celebrate it? What is it about? Read the text to find out.

GROUNDHOG DAY



Groundhog Day is a festival on 2nd February in the USA and Canada. It is an exciting day for a lot of people because they can find out when the winter will end.

On this day, people get around the groundhog's hole and wait for it to come out. When it does, if the sun is bright in the sky, it means the winter will last for six more weeks. But, if the weather is cloudy when it comes out of its hole, the winter will end very soon! There are famous groundhogs all over the USA and Canada that are a part of Groundhog Day. But the most famous groundhog is Punxsutawney Phil from Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, USA.

Wherever people celebrate Groundhog Day, it's always a fun day! Everyone comes together to hope for the end of winter and the beginning of spring.

DID YOU KNOW?

A groundhog is also called a woodchuck. There's a tongue-twister* about woodchucks that people can say:

How much wood would a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?

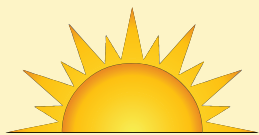
Try to say it as fast as you can!

*a sentence that is difficult to say, especially when we repeat it or say it quickly

- 2 Read the Groundhog Day tongue-twisters below and unscramble the letters to complete the missing words.



- 1 The _____ **O G N R H D G U N O** grew round in his hole in the ground.



- 2 We want to see the _____ **U S N** in the sky soon.



- 3 Groundhog Day is fun for friends in _____ **Y R U R F B E A**.



- 3 Use words from the text in Ex. 1 to write your own tongue-twister about Groundhog Day.