

INCLUDES GOOGLE™ SLIDES

# MAY

## DIGITAL BULLETIN BOARD

### THE NAME MAY

Most months are named for something or someone.

May is named for the Greek goddess Maia. Maia is the goddess of growth and prosperity.

In Greek mythology, Maia is the mother of the messenger god Hermes.

Maia was one of the daughters of Atlas, the Titan who was doomed to hold the earth and heavens on his shoulders for all eternity.



GRADES  
2-5

Scrolling slideshow with printable activity



# SCROLL 54 SLIDES

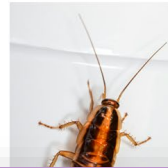
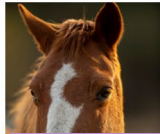
## TRIVIA QUESTION

The Kentucky Derby is a famous race held on the first Saturday in May.

What kind of animal races in the Kentucky Derby?



camels



## MAY DAY IS MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>

May Day is a European festival that marks the beginning of summer.

The date was chosen because it is about halfway between the first day of spring and the first day of summer.

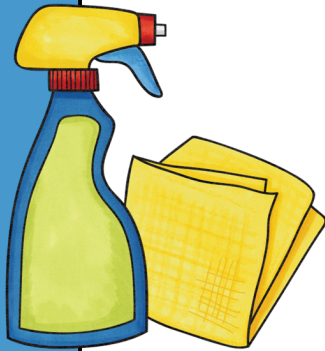
To celebrate, people make floral garlands, choose a May Queen and King, eat cakes decorated with flowers, and dance around the maypole.



Set slides to scroll on a timed loop –  
Instructions for setting timings included.

# LESSER-KNOWN MAY HOLIDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

## IS YOUR ROOM CLEAN?



May 10<sup>th</sup> is National Clean Your Room Day!

Cleaning your room helps keep you organized.

## TRIVIA QUESTION

World Turtle Day is May 23<sup>rd</sup>!

In the story of "The Tortoise and the Hare," who won the race?



the tortoise



the hare



the ostrich

(answer on next slide)

Includes Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, World Otter Day, National Clean Your Room Day, Teacher Appreciation Week, and many more!

# LOADS OF FUN FACTS!

## MAY FLOWERS

Like April, May has two monthly flowers.

One May flower is called [lily of the valley](#).

These white, bell-shaped flowers

They are sometimes used

They also produce red berries  
and should never be eaten by



## WORLD OTTER DAY

World Otter Day is on  
the last Wednesday of May.

World Otter Day celebrates otters  
and helps people learn about them.

Seven of the 13 otter species are on  
the IUCN endangered animals list.



Includes a mystery animal, vocabulary, famous May birthdays, May holidays and celebrations, facts, announcements, and Would You Rathers.

# ALL TEXT IS EDITABLE

DID YOU KNOW...?

The first Friday of May is National School Lunch Hero Day!

This is a great day to say "thank you" to our school cafeteria workers, who provide our students and staff with breakfast and lunch every day.



**Editable (all text,  
captions, and headers)**

**Not editable  
(images)**

Artwork has been locked to protect copyright.

# DON'T HAVE POWERPOINT?

## THIS OR THAT?

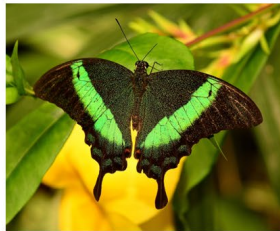


Coconut cream pie  
(National Coconut Cream Pie Day is)



## COLORS OF MAY

People often associate May with green, yellow, blue, and pink.



emerald green



sunflower yellow  
bright blue sky



cherry blossom pink

You can also edit and scroll the presentation in Google Slides!

# SCAVENGER HUNTS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

## SCAVENGER HUNT

Color the pictures as you see the items in the May Slides. Can you find them all?

**easier**

paper airplane

spray cleaner

ukulele

Mexico flag

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

## SCAVENGER HUNT

How many of these pictures and facts can you find in the May slides?

**harder**

Maia is the mother of which Greek god?

How many total people have ever walked on the moon?

How many other species are currently endangered?

Who won the race: the tortoise or the hare?

What music genre is the ukulele most famous for?

Name one cleaning product.

The date of May Day is about halfway between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Cinco de Mayo celebrates the culture of what country?

What is the May birthstone?

What is Sally Ride best known for?

Name **ANSWER KEY** Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

## SCAVENGER HUNT

How many of these pictures and facts can you find in the May slides?

**answer key**

Maia is the mother of which Greek god?  
**Hermes**

How many total people have ever walked on the moon?  
**12**

How many other species are currently endangered?  
**7 out of 13**

"Jack and Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of water, but the pail fell and broke and Jack came home with a headache."  
**a pail**

The date of May Day is about halfway between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Spring and summer**

Who won the race: the tortoise or the hare?  
**Hawaiian music**

Name one cleaning product.  
**any, many bed, clean windows**

Cinco de Mayo celebrates the culture of what country?  
**Mexico**

What is the May birthstone?  
**emerald**

What is Sally Ride best known for?  
**astronaut**

Differentiated scavenger hunt activity – Students use the scrolling presentation to find the pictures and the answers.

# RECOMMENDED READS

## "May Celebrations"



### ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

- The Truth About Dragons* (Leung)
- Eyes That Speak to the Stars* (Ho)
- I Am an American: The Wong Kim Ark Story* (Brockenbrough and Lin)
- Where Three Oceans Meet* (LaRocca)
- Finding Papa* (Krans)
- On the Tip of a Wave* (Ho)
- \**Growing Up Under a Red Flag* (Compestine)
- \**Chinese Menu* (Lin)
- \**Front Desk* (Yang)
- \**Amil and the After* (Hiranandani)
- \**Thirst* (Bajaj)

### MOTHER'S DAY

- Ahoy* (Blackall)
- Soul Food Sunday* (Bingham)
- Once Upon a Winter Day* (Woodruff)
- Mama Baby* (Raschka)
- Saturday* (Mora)
- Yaya and the Sea* (Marable)
- Me & Mama* (Cabrera)
- Like the Moon Loves the Sky* (Khan)
- Poems in the Attic* (Grimes)

### WORLD TURTLE DAY

### TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

- The Tree of Life* (Boxer)
- Building an Orchestra of Hope* (Oliver)
- \**The Great Escape* (Katz)
- \**Ms. Bixby's Last Day* (Anderson)
- \**Because of Mr. Terupt* (Barrett)
- \**Matilda* (Dahl)

### WORLD OTTER DAY

- Do Unto Otters* (Keenan)
- Hey, Otter! Hey, Beavers!* (Keenan)
- \**Odder* (Applegate)
- \**Otter and Odder* (Henderson)

### CINCO DE MAYO

- Danza!* (Amalia Hernandez and others)
- Folklorico de Mexico* (Tonatiuh)
- Jovita Wore Pants* (Salazar)
- Whiskers, Tails, & Wings: Animal Folktales from Mexico* (Goldman)
- Esquivel!: Space-Age Sound Artist* (Wood)
- Ancient Night* (Bowles)
- A Land of Books* (Tonatiuh)
- \**Mexikid* (Martin)
- \**Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna* (Dobbs)
- \**Me, Frida, and the Secret of the Peacock* (Rina)
- Rina* (Cervantes)

Give to  
teachers  
and parents!

Includes 57 elementary books for the holidays and celebrations mentioned in the May Digital Bulletin Board. All titles received positive professional reviews on Titlewave, and many have starred reviews.

Titles are editable, so you can change them to suit your library.



# TAKE-HOME EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

## LET'S TALK ABOUT...MAY!

Today in the library, we talked about May things!  
Here are some ways to celebrate May at home...



### May Quiz




1. What animal races in the Kentucky Derby?
2. Was Mother Goose a real person?
3. Who is the founder of modern nursing?
4. In Greek mythology, Maia is the mother of which Greek god?
5. Cinco de Mayo celebrates the culture of which country?
6. Who wrote *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*?

(answers on other side)

### May Picture Books

- *The Truth About Dragons* (Leung)
- *Saturday* (Mora)
- *Do Unto Otters* (Keller)
- *Building an Orchestra of Hope* (Oliver)
- *Jovita Wore Pants* (Salazar)
- *The Real Dada Mother Goose* (Scieszka)
- *How to Eat in Space* (Taylor)
- *The Book of Turtles* (Montgomery)

### Sign Language "Turtle"

1. Make an "A" hand in sign language. Face your palm toward the floor. 
2. Cover your A hand with the other hand. This is like the turtle's shell. 
3. Move the thumb of your A hand around. This is like the turtle's head. 

### May Vocabulary

- mariachi
- ukulele
- Derby pie
- clutter
- smallpox
- vaccine
- Mother Goose

### Colorful Pico de Gallo



Pico de Gallo is a fresh Mexican salsa. This version adds apples and carrots for sweet spin! Add it to some nachos for a healthy crunch on Cinco de Mayo!

#### In a bowl, dice into small cubes:

- 6 Roma tomatoes, seeded
- 1 red onion
- 1 fresh jalapeño pepper, seeded
- 2 carrots
- 1 large apple

Now add some chopped cilantro, garlic, sea salt and the juice of a fresh lime.



2



3



5



6

### May Celebrations

- Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month
- May Day (1st)
- National School Principal's Day (1st)
- Mother Goose Day (1st)
- National Play Your Ukulele Day (2nd)
- International Wild Koala Day (3rd)
- Kentucky Derby (1st Saturday in May)
- Cinco de Mayo (5th)
- National Astronaut Day (5th)
- National Nurses Week (6th - 12th)
- Mother's Day (second Sunday in May)
- National Clean Your Room Day (10th)
- Bond With Your Dog Day (May 14th)
- World Turtle Day (23rd)
- Paper Airplane Day (26th)
- Memorial Day (last Monday in May)
- World Otter Day (last Wednesday in May)
- National School Lunch Hero Day (last Friday in May)
- World Parrot Day (31st)

### May Quiz Answers

1. horse
2. tortoise
3. Florence Nightingale
4. Hermes

Students love to show off what they've learned! This is a take-home extension activity for the May Digital Bulletin Board.

# MORE LIBRARY LESSONS

INCLUDES GOOGLE™ SLIDES

## AAPI MONTH LIBRARY LESSON

GRADES 2-5

“Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month”

INCLUDES GOOGLE™ SLIDES

## DIGITAL BULLETIN BOARD

GRADES 3-6

“Mexico”

INCLUDES GOOGLE™ SLIDES

## NURSERY RHYMES PPT Trivia Game

Little	Animals	Old	Names	Extras
1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5

GRADES K-2

For libraries and classrooms

INCLUDES GOOGLE™ SLIDES

## LIBRARY STORYTIME

GRADES K-3

“Nursery Rhymes”