





# The DATE in English

There are two ways of saying the date in English.

	Written English	Spoken English	Numbers
	<b>March 7</b> MONTH + DAY	<b>March seventh</b> Even if the <i>-th</i> isn't written, an ordinal number is still said.	<b>3 / 7 / 17</b> MONTH / DAY / YEAR
	<b>7<sup>th</sup> March</b> DAY + MONTH	<b>The seventh of March</b>	<b>7 / 3 / 17</b> DAY / MONTH / YEAR

Days	Months	Years
We always use <b>ordinal numbers</b> for the date in spoken English.	Months always start with capital letters.	Years are normally divided into two parts.*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> first</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> second</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> third</li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> fourth</li> <li>5<sup>th</sup> fifth</li> <li>6<sup>th</sup> sixth</li> <li>7<sup>th</sup> seventh</li> <li>8<sup>th</sup> eighth</li> <li>9<sup>th</sup> ninth</li> <li>10<sup>th</sup> tenth</li> </ul>	<p><u>august</u> ❌</p> <p><u>August</u> ✅</p>	<p><b>1984</b> nineteen eighty-four</p> <p>1652 sixteen fifty-two</p> <p>1941 nineteen forty-one</p> <p>2017 twenty seventeen</p>
	<p>What day is this?</p> <p><b>3 / 5 / 18</b></p> <p> March 5, 2018</p> <p> 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018</p> <p>Big difference!</p>	<p>* <b>Exception:</b> For the years from 2000 to 2010, we normally say <b>two thousand and + number</b>.</p> <p>2006 two thousand and six</p>

Source: <https://www.woodwardenglish.com/lesson/how-to-say-the-date-in-english/>

More explanations, examples and practice in the link.

