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### Activity 2 – October 13<sup>th</sup>

## Anecdotes – Children's Day

Hey you guys, how are you doing? As we told you last week from now on we're going to work on Celebrations, exploring culture. Let's catch up with the celebrations we're having ahead.

Thus, yesterday was Children's Day in Brazil, so let's find out more about this celebration in other parts of the world.

1. Watch the video to learn 20 facts about Children's day:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3wphwK9vXuo&ab\\_channel=OccenceMedia](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3wphwK9vXuo&ab_channel=OccenceMedia)
2. Let's find out how much you know about it with a Quiz:  
<https://www.bestfunquiz.com/q/international-childrens-day-quiz-world-childrens-day-quiz>
3. Let's watch some videos promoting Children's Day by UNICEF:

**World Children's Day: a global day of action for children, by children.**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wk\\_feG7c6xA&frags=wn&ab\\_channel=unicefphilippines](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wk_feG7c6xA&frags=wn&ab_channel=unicefphilippines)

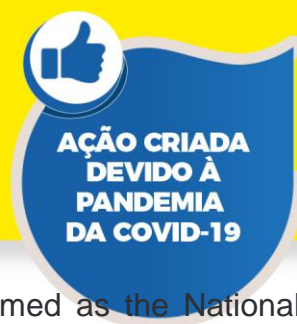
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9V9KeMQZjU&ab\\_channel=UNICEFUSA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9V9KeMQZjU&ab_channel=UNICEFUSA)

#### 4. Children's Day Around the World

Children's Day is celebrated on different days in many places around the world. As all of you may know, Children's Day is a day to honor children. Here in Brazil, Children's Day is celebrated on October 12<sup>th</sup>, which coincides with Our Lady of Aparecida's day, Brazil's Patron Saint. That's why it is also a national holiday. In the United States there's no official day to celebrate Children's Day. However, they usually celebrate it on the second Sunday of June. In 2019 it was held on June 9<sup>th</sup>, and this year it was on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

In Canada, they have the National Child Day, which is observed on November 20<sup>th</sup>. This is the same day that the United Nations recommends countries to observe the Universal Children's Day.

The United Kingdom (*England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland*) has no national children's day. Interestingly, there's a coalition of 12 organizations calling people's attention to this fact. They are mobilizing



supporters to the cause. Their intention is to have November 20<sup>th</sup> proclaimed as the National Children's Day in the UK.

The second Sunday in July is the day Australians celebrate their Children's Day. The funny thing in Australia is that Children's Day is a registered trademark. In New Zealand, Children's Day is celebrated on the first Sunday in March.

As you noticed, each country has a national day to honor children. Brazil was the first country to have a children's day. We have been observing children's day since 1920. Originally, the day was just a day to honor children. Unfortunately, thanks to *Brinquedos Estrela*, a toy manufacturer in Brazil, and Johnson & Johnson the date changed to a commercial thing.

In 1960, these two companies started a campaign to sell more toys. Other toy manufacturers liked the idea and, as a result, business people in the sector had a meeting and decided to have October 12<sup>th</sup> as the Children's Day in Brazil, the same date originally proposed in 1920 by congressman Galdino do Valle Filho.

**5. Now, we have two tasks for you:**

1<sup>st</sup>) Go to Padlet, write about what you think on how we celebrate Children's Day in Brazil, and what we could do to change that for a more meaningful Day. Listen to the teacher's anecdotes, leave comments if you want to.

<https://padlet.com/opendoorsteachers/apsipkz2tun2lmw>

2<sup>nd</sup>) Go to our Google Drive and share with us your anecdote about something that happened to you on Children's Day, or any event from your Childhood. Sending an audio in MP3, or a video if you want to: (you can use the voice recorder from your cell to do this task).

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1quNmbIJzXiykHYTR8GBbnyFZnngK31yq?usp=sharing>

**\*If you don't feel comfortable to record an audio, you can use the Padlet to write your Anecdote, nevertheless, we encourage you to speak up now.**

You are going to have one week to do this activity. Take your time, do it carefully and enjoy it!