

For Advanced Kids Learners

Book 2

Time to Talk

Lesson 30 Strange Festivals – Monkey Buffet Festival



- **Warm-up question**



Do you still remember this activity in Thailand?

Elephants' Day – March 13

There is another festival for animals
– the Monkey Buffet Festival



- Read and learn

Strange Festivals – Monkey Buffet Festival

In the old town of Lopburi, Thailand, there live around 3,000 monkeys. The local people believe that monkeys are **holy** animals and **feeding** them can bring good luck. They feed the monkeys **throughout** the year and they even created the Monkey **Buffet** Festival.

holy

something
respected
like a god

**feed**

to give food to eat

throughout

from beginning to
end of something

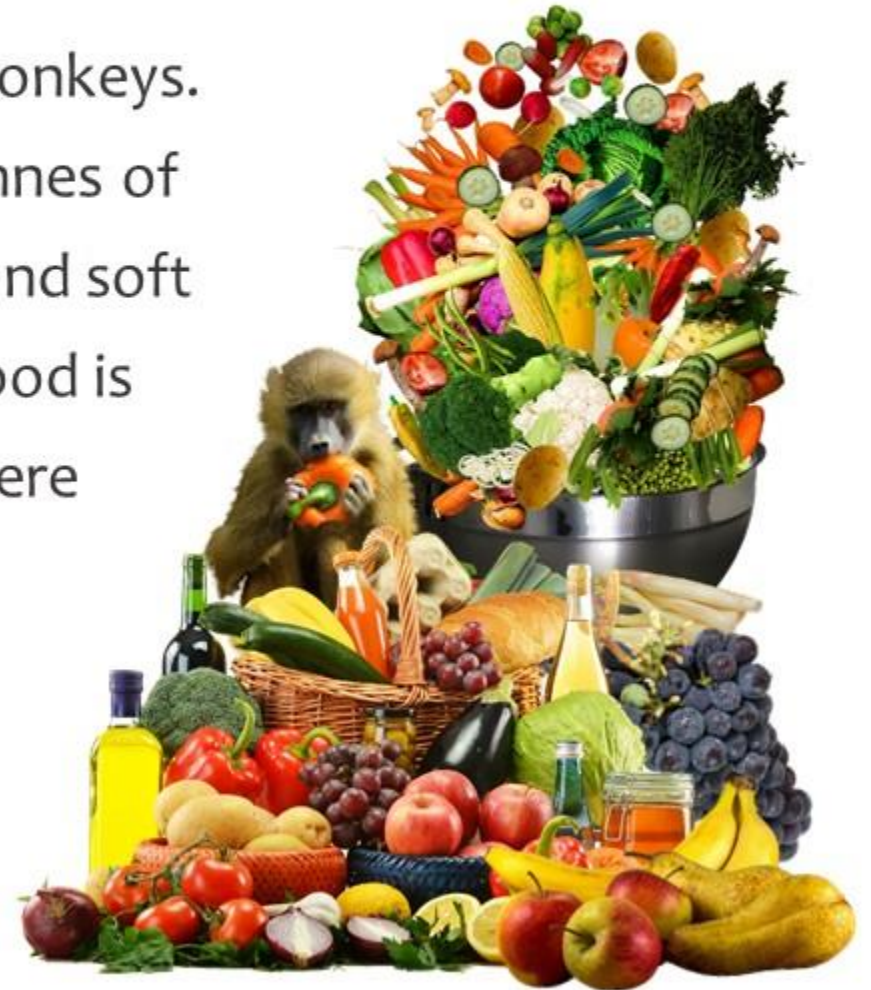
buffet

a big meal
with many
dishes



- **Read and learn**

The Festival is a grand buffet set up for the monkeys. It is held on the last Sunday of November. Tonnes of food – rice, fruits, vegetables, eggs, sweets, and soft drinks – are prepared for the monkeys. The food is placed on long tables around the temples where most monkeys live.



- **Read and learn**

It may sound a strange festival, but it is great fun for animal-lovers. They come from all over the world to see thousands of monkeys filling their stomachs together. They may even see monkey food fights!

On that day, streets are **decorated** with monkey **sculptures**. Children are **dressed up as** monkeys, dancing all around the town.

decorate
to make
something
beautiful



sculpture
carved stone
or wood



• Read the hints and rearrange the words.

Hints

1. Something respected like a god.
2. To give or provide food to eat.
3. From the beginning to the end of something.
4. A big meal with many dishes being served.
5. To make something beautiful.
6. Something carved that is made of stone or wood.

h l y o

1. _ _ _ _

f d e e

2. _ _ _ _

r o g u

3. t h _ _ _ _ h o u t

f u e t

4. b _ f _ _ _

o e r e

5. d _ c _ _ a t _

l u u e

6. s c _ _ p t _ r _

- Grammar



dress up as/like sth.

To put on clothes to be something or someone different.

Examples

The kids **dressed up as** monkeys in the party.

We need to **dress up like** dinosaurs tomorrow.



+ Give an example sentence using “**dress up as**”.

- Answer the following questions.

3. Where do they put the monkeys' foods?

2. What do Thai people do to the monkeys?

1. Where is the Monkey Buffet Festival celebrated?
(in Lopburi, Thailand)

4. What foods do they give to the monkeys?

5. What do children do during the festival?

