

New Year Day in Australia

The 1st of January, the New Year Day is in the middle of winter on the western calendar which is used in many countries also as an international calendar. Right? Wrong! It's midsummer in Australia and many other countries. Here the winter months are June to August but in Australia it is not really cold. Only in the Snowy Mountains the temperature can drop below zero. It is usually hot and sunny on the 1st of January in Australia. It is a holiday season. People go to the beach to swim, surf or just to relax. There are also tourists from Europe who want to escape the cold winter there.

Which words are missing? Try to guess, then click on the button to check the answer.

TASK 1

The international calendar is used in ⁽¹⁾ _____ countries. The New Year Day on this ⁽²⁾ _____, which is also known as a western calendar, is ⁽³⁾ _____. In many countries the New Year Day is in the ⁽⁴⁾ _____. In the Southern Hemisphere the summer months are ⁽⁵⁾ _____ and it isn't usually ⁽⁶⁾ _____. The coldest place in ⁽⁷⁾ _____ in Australia is probably ⁽⁸⁾ _____. In summer many tourists come to Australia from ⁽⁹⁾ _____ to ⁽¹⁰⁾ _____, and relax on the ⁽¹¹⁾ _____.

TASK 2

I am British. I ⁽¹²⁾ _____ to come to Australia in summer, when it ⁽¹³⁾ _____ cold in Europe. Last year I ⁽¹⁴⁾ _____ in Australia in summer. I ⁽¹⁵⁾ _____ at the beginning of December, the first month of ⁽¹⁶⁾ _____ in Australia. It ⁽¹⁷⁾ _____ sunny and warm and we ⁽¹⁸⁾ _____ swimming every day. We also ⁽¹⁹⁾ _____ a lot and ⁽²⁰⁾ _____ on the beach. Next year I ⁽²¹⁾ _____ come to Australia in winter because I ⁽²²⁾ _____ to go skiing in the Snowy Mountains.