

## UNIT 8. CELEBRATIONS

### READ

#### I. NEW WORDS

- express (v) diễn tả
- feeling (n) tình cảm, cảm xúc
- memory (n) trí nhớ
- lose heart mất hy vọng
- miss (v) nhớ, bỏ qua, trẽ
- tear (n) nước mắt
- groom (n) chú rể
- hug (v) ôm
- considerate (a) ân cần, chu đáo
- generous (a) rộng lượng, bao dung
- generosity (n) tính rộng lượng, sự bao dung
- priority (n) sự ưu tiên
- sense of humour tính hài hước
- humourous (a) hài hước
- distinguish (v) phân biệt
- in a word: in brief / in sum tóm lại
- terrific (a): wonderful tuyệt vời
- proud of tự hào, hãnh diện
- alive (a) còn sống
- image (n) hình ảnh

#### II. PRACTICE

Ask and answer the questions

- Who do you think Rita sends this card to?
- Is Jane's father alive or dead? How do you know this?
- What quality makes Bob's father different from others?
- What image of a father can you draw from the three passages?

## UNIT 8. CELEBRATIONS

### WRITE

#### I. FORMAT OF WRITING

##### Outline

- First paragraph:** Tell your friend the reason(s) for celebrating this day (for children to express their feelings, memories, and love for their parents, to enhance family traditions, to bring family members closer ...)
- Second paragraph:** Give details about:
- when to celebrate: in what season, or what month, on what date of the month or day of the week ... (why?)
  - how to celebrate: having parties, sending cards, going on picnics ...
  - what special gifts to give: gifts to moms, gifts to dads.
  - what special food to offer.
- Third paragraph:** State whether or not you think your idea will be supported and you hope the day will be celebrated nationwide.

#### II. MODEL

*Dear Nam,*

I'm writing to you to tell my idea about an important celebration. I think it is necessary to celebrate Mother's Day and Father's Day in our country. As we know everyone of us in this world has parents. So, the fact that there is a day to celebrate for them is reasonable. Moreover, it's occasion children can show their love and gratitude to their parents. What's more it's children's duty in the view of moral tradition of the nation.

The time to celebrate those days is not near other public holidays, I guess. Mother's Day should be celebrated in early spring and Father's Day in early fall. Why do we celebrate those celebrations in these times of the year? I think it's the most suitable time because the weather is usually fine. Therefore, the children who live apart can return home easily.

On those days, all the children should return to their parents' house. It's advisable that they should have a family party. And I think it's not important that we should have special or expensive food. And it's not necessary to give our parents expensive gifts because our parents understand the meaning of our deeds. It's the love and the spirit that count, not the gifts or other material things. Mother and Father obviously enjoy their children and grandchildren's gathering.

In a word, I think we should have Mother's Day and Father's Day.

Your friend,