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**Учебно-методический материал информирующего характера для урока английского языка, направленный на углубленное использование лексических единиц по теме “Mother’s Day”, построение синонимических рядов.**

**Технология:**  деятельностный метод обучения.

**Форма занятий** – групповая. Количество детей в группе от 10 до 12 человек, что дает возможность индивидуального подхода к каждому ребенку. Возраст обучающихся – 8 - 12 лет (2-4 класс).

**Целью** данного учебно-методического материала является развитие у обучающихся способностей использовать иностранный язык как инструмент общения в диалоге культур и цивилизаций современного мира, систематизация своих знаний в области употребления частей речи – в частности, именам существительным и прилагательным в английском языке, и умений на практике (как в процессе устного общения, так и на письме) использовать синонимические ряды, характерные для данных частей речи.

**Задачами** урока, в ходе которого используется данный учебно-методический материал, являются:

- вовлечение обучающихся в образовательный процесс;

- расширение их кругозора и эрудиции;

- формирование навыков коммуникативной деятельности обучающихся, культуры общения и умения работать в группе;

- воспитание устойчивой потребности к изучению английского языка;

- развитие творческих способностей учащихся;

- развитие навыков самостоятельной работы.

**“Mother’s Day”**

**MOTHER**

by Howard Johnson, 1915

**“M”** is for the million things she gave me,  
**“O”** means only that she’s growing old,  
**“T”** is for the tears were shed to save me,  
**“H”** is for her heart of purest gold;  
**“E”** is for her eyes, with love-light shining,  
**“R”** means right, and right she’ll always be,  
Put them all together, they spell “**MOTHER”**,  
A word that means the world to me.

<https://archive>.org/details/sm\_m-o-t-h-e-r

Today we are going to find as many words in English, connected with the different names of holiday things, objects, items being usually used on the holiday eve and during the celebration, their types, material, purpose, price, quality, size, shape and weight, popularity, of course feelings and emotions, their range, etc., as we can. The groups are divided for my own purpose and can be easily changed.

**Did you know?**

It is important for every woman that her child shows attention. One of the most common signs of attention is a bouquet of flowers as a gift. The symbol of the holiday became forget-me-nots – small, mostly blue or blue flowers that symbolize love, tenderness, memory and nostalgia. By the way, in Christian symbolism, the forget-me-not is associated with the Virgin Mary. Since these flowers have become associated with Mother’s Day, you can give your mom a bouquet of forget-me-nots or a card with their image.

Let’s start with common names we usually use. They are the followings:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| holiday |  |
| rest |  |
| rest time |  |
| free time |  |
| leisure |  |
| pleasure |  |
| honour |  |
| celebration |  |
| congratulation |  |
| compliment |  |
| playtime |  |
| pastime |  |
| weekend |  |
| day-off |  |
| Sunday |  |
| feast |  |
| merriment |  |
| dream |  |
| desire |  |
| wish |  |
| interest |  |
| tradition |  |
| custom |  |
| culture |  |
| gathering |  |
| meeting |  |
| party |  |
| party time |  |
| friend |  |
| guest |  |
| guest of honour |  |
| host/hostess |  |
| lady of the hour |  |
| leading lady |  |
| heart |  |
| decoration |  |
| postcard |  |
| invitation |  |
| box |  |
| ribbon |  |
| lace |  |
| balloon |  |
| medal |  |
| pennant |  |
| flower |  |
| bouquet |  |
| rose |  |
| carnation |  |
| forget-me-not |  |
| paper cutouts |  |
| banner |  |
| streamer |  |
| napkin |  |
| tablecloth |  |
| fireworks |  |
| petard |  |
| cracker/firecracker |  |
| horn |  |
| toy |  |
| treat |  |
| cake |  |
| candle |  |
| sweets |  |
| candy |  |
| chocolate (bar/box/figure) |  |
| diamond |  |
| November |  |
| mother |  |
| motherhood |  |
| feeling |  |
| hug/s |  |
| kiss/es |  |
| care |  |
| attention |  |
| etc. | и т.д. |

We can also find some other varieties of one and the same meaning, a present for the holiday for example:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| gift |  |
| present |  |
| surprise |  |
| souvenir |  |
| trophy |  |
|  |  |
| keepsake |  |
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| party favor |  |
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| etc. | и т.д. |

Also they differ in price and value:

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| --- | --- |
| cheap |  |
| low-priced |  |
| low-cost |  |
| low-income |  |
| cut-price |  |
| free |  |
| granted |  |
| inexpensive |  |
| economic |  |
| affordable |  |
| expensive |  |
| costly |  |
| high-priced |  |
| high-cost |  |
| great |  |
| rare |  |
| overpriced |  |
| etc. |  |

The presents can be made of different material, fabrics and textures:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| clay |  |
| stone |  |
| rubber |  |
| paper |  |
| crinkle paper |  |
| glass |  |
| metal |  |
| precious metal |  |
| plastic |  |
| wood |  |
| uncoated wood |  |
| rope |  |
| cloth |  |
| cotton |  |
| linen |  |
| satin |  |
| fleece |  |
| wool |  |
| fur |  |
| feather |  |
| wax |  |
| safe |  |
| eco-friendly |  |
| natural |  |
| organic |  |
| non-toxic |  |
| soft |  |
| hard |  |
| rough |  |
| knobbly |  |
| prickly |  |
| inflatable |  |
| bright |  |
| colourful |  |
| certified |  |
| licensed |  |
| etc. |  |

They can differ in size, shape and weight:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| big |  |
| large |  |
| giant |  |
| great |  |
| huge |  |
| tremendous |  |
| enormous |  |
| colossal |  |
| gross |  |
| man-size |  |
| small |  |
| little |  |
| tiny |  |
| long |  |
| short |  |
| light |  |
| heavy |  |
| tall |  |
| high |  |
| simple |  |
| bulky |  |
| in the shape of… |  |
| star |  |
| heart |  |
| circle |  |
| cube |  |
| square |  |
| diamond |  |
| triangle |  |
| rectangle |  |
| oval |  |
| round |  |
| cubic |  |
| triangular |  |
| rectangular |  |
| etc. |  |

Presents may differ depending on culture and customs.

The most important thing is that the chosen gift gave positive emotions and a smile to your favorite mom, because that's what such holidays are for.

One more important criterion is presents’ quality, popularity and common feelings:

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| high-quality |  |
| high performance |  |
| low-quality |  |
| top-quality |  |
| deluxe |  |
| luxurious |  |
| excellent |  |
| exclusive |  |
| exquisite |  |
| exceptional |  |
| unique |  |
| high-grade |  |
| superb |  |
| magnificent |  |
| splendid |  |
| terrific |  |
| brilliant |  |
| wonderful |  |
| grand |  |
| admirable |  |
| great |  |
| funky |  |
| upscale |  |
| perfect |  |
| easy-to-use |  |
| advanced |  |
| custom |  |
| simple |  |
| outstanding |  |
| original |  |
| handmade |  |
| vintage |  |
| retro |  |
| modern |  |
| antique |  |
| nice |  |
| good |  |
| nice |  |
| grand |  |
| kind |  |
| lovely |  |
| likely |  |
| favourite |  |
| realistic |  |
| real |  |
| historical |  |
| surreal |  |
| bad |  |
| cool |  |
| cute |  |
| the best |  |
| crucial |  |
| impossible |  |
| important |  |
| improbable |  |
| incredible |  |
| impressive |  |
| memorable |  |
| mesmerizing |  |
| fascinating |  |
| entertaining |  |
| amusing |  |
| amazing |  |
| interesting |  |
| exciting |  |
| brightly coloured |  |
| multicoloured |  |
| noisy |  |
| fragile |  |
| delicate |  |
| easy come – easy go |  |
| unlikely |  |
| unbelievable |  |
| unforgettable |  |
| unimaginable |  |
| unthinkable |  |
| unachievable |  |
| unreal |  |
| unrealistic |  |
| cosmic |  |
| space |  |
| grand |  |
| memorable |  |
| forgettable |  |
| remembered |  |
| remarkable |  |
| **commemorative** |  |
| bomb |  |
| **bombastic** |  |
| **fantastic** |  |
| **popular** |  |
| **pop** |  |
| **must have** |  |
| **must not (have)** |  |
| **hot new** |  |
| **new** |  |
| **the newest** |  |
| **innovative** |  |
| **heartbreaker** |  |
| **ancient** |  |
| **old** |  |
| **old-fashioned** |  |
| **limited (edition)** |  |
| etc. |  |

There are some ideas for gifts, they are divided into several categories:

* **emotionally significant.** These can be photo books, albums or beautiful frames in which mom can keep photos of the most important moments of life. With such a gift, you can give not only a physical object, but also sincere emotions;
* **home decor.**To create a cozy and stylish atmosphere at home, you can always choose interior accessories: paintings, candles, vases, textiles. It is important that all this reflects the tastes of mom. Such gifts will not only decorate the interior, but will also remind of care and attention;
* **grooming gifts.** These can be sets for spa procedures, high-quality creams and oils for face and body. Such gifts will not only help mom to get some privacy and relaxation, but will also remind her of the importance of taking care of herself;
* **kitchen accessories.**Sets of kitchen knives, beautiful cutting boards, dishes, original molds for baking will not only improve the cooking process, but also add coziness to the kitchen space;
* **stylish jewelry.** As a gift, bracelets, pendants or earrings are suitable. Such accessories can emphasize individuality and add elegance to any image. In addition, jewelry is always a symbol of attention and love, because they can become not only a beautiful addition to the style, but also a valuable reminder of care from the children;
* **a gift with your own hands.** It can be a greeting card, an applique or a fake. A more unconventional idea is a collage. You can collect family photos in one large collage, which will remind you of warm moments. Another gift made with their own hands can be prepared dishes. Children can bake a cake or mom's favorite buns – such a gesture is sure to please her. Ideas can be very diverse, but the main thing is that they were made with a soul and reflected care.

Of course, we can wish the following:

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| love |  |
| fun |  |
| joy |  |
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| warmth |  |
| cheer |  |
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| laughter |  |
| peace |  |
| long life |  |
| success |  |
| luck |  |
| happiness |  |
| health |  |
| wealth |  |
| money |  |
| good friends |  |
| nice child/children |  |
| good mood |  |
| wonder |  |
| positive changes in life |  |
| wishes come true! |  |
| all the best! |  |
| etc. | и т.д. |

We can go to different places to celebrate this holiday, anywhere we like, there’re some to choose from:

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| restaurant |  |
| café |  |
| pizzeria |  |
| fast food place |  |
| coffee shop |  |
| bar |  |
| karaoke bar |  |
| discotheque/disco |  |
| bowling alley |  |
| club |  |
| cinema |  |
| theatre |  |
| gallery |  |
| art gallery |  |
| exhibition |  |
| museum |  |
| concert |  |
| circus |  |
| park |  |
| fireshow |  |
| zoo |  |
| picnic |  |
| entertainment centre |  |
| etc. | и т.д. |

Of course we can stay at home. Mother's Day is not a public holiday in all countries. But it is a popular day for phone calls, flowers and greeting cards.

**Did you know?**

Mother's Day in Russia everyone celebrates in different ways. Someone spends this day at home, without too much noise, others, on the contrary, celebrate actively, going out to events. Regardless of how to spend Mother's Day, it is still a reason to express gratitude to the most important person in the world – mom. It is she who from birth becomes the center of the child's universe, gives her boundless love and care. Although Mother's Day is a family holiday, concerts and mass events on this holiday are held all over Russia.

Mother's Day is actively celebrated in kindergartens and schools. They prepare for the holiday in advance – children make drawings or crafts with their own hands and present them to their mothers by the holiday. Mother's Day is a special holiday when we can express our love and gratitude to the most important women in our lives. Of course, nothing beats sincere words: you can write a warm greeting from your heart and attach it to the main gift. It is also extremely important to choose a gift that will reflect your mom's interests and hobbies. He added that a gift made by one's own hands will be especially nice for every mom. You can also arrange a small family holiday, which will definitely be remembered by mom for a long time.

We can also find some other varieties of one and the same specialities, resting/having a rest for example, with positive meaning:

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| resting |  |
| having a rest |  |
| enjoying |  |
| getting pleasure |  |
| spending good time |  |
| celebrating |  |
| delighting |  |
| admiring |  |
| entertaining |  |
| taking pleasure in |  |
| taking joy |  |
| being fond of |  |
| being pleased with |  |
| being excited about |  |
| adore |  |
| etc. |  |

Of course, we can’t help minding some phrases we use, such as:

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| I would like to be… |  |
| I would like to become… |  |
| I would like to protect… |  |
| I wish to take part in… |  |
| I would like to give… |  |
| I’d like to have a... |  |
| I would like to remember… |  |
| I would like to honour… |  |
| I want to have a… |  |
| My dream is to get a… |  |
| My dream is to become a… |  |
| My dream is to have… |  |
| My favourite holiday is… |  |
| The holiday of my dream is… |  |
| The best award for me is… |  |
| I wish to have a… |  |
| I would like to invite … |  |
| I would like to go to… |  |
| I would like to visit… |  |
| I’d like to have a party! |  |
| I want to have a rest in… |  |
| I want to have … |  |
| I want to get … |  |
| I want to invite you... |  |
| My dream is to get… |  |
| My favourite place is … |  |
| My dream is to visit… |  |
| The best holiday for me is … |  |
| I will go to … |  |
| I wish to visit … |  |
| I wish to invite… |  |
| The most important person for me is… |  |
| You are the best! |  |
| The best MOM in the world! |  |
| I wish you a happy holiday! |  |

**Did you know?**

### **Where does “mother” come from?**

To answer the question, the word “mother” is alleged to be one of the oldest words in the English language. It’s what is known as an “ultra conserved word”, which means that the word has not changed in 15,000 years and it’s one of only 23 words that claim similar provenance. Before you ask, no, “father” doesn’t make the prestigious list.

According to The Oxford Dictionary, the modern word “mother” is Germanic in origin. It derives from “moder”, which became “mutter” in German and “mōdor” in English. If we go further back the Germanic “moder” comes from the Greek “mētēr” (meaning womb) which in Latin became “māter”.

If that word seems familiar it’s because “mater”, an archaic word for “mother”, underpins many common English words associated with womanhood, such as “matriarchy”, “matron” or “maternity”.

The most common difference occurs with one incarnation of mother and that’s the three-letter versions that are separated by a single vowel: “mum”, “mam” or “mom”.

The above is all very well and good, but in reality, your personal preference for “mother” will be based on your own family traditions. In all likelihood, it will have less to do with location or status and more to do with the literal mother tongue of your mother. Ultimately, what you call your mother is dictated to you by your parents.

And now I would like to mark some words naming our emotions and feelings about such situation:

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| emotion |  |
| feeling |  |
| sense |  |
| love |  |
| positive feelings |  |
| felicity |  |
| mercy |  |
| favour |  |
| gratitude |  |
| appreciation |  |
| gratefulness |  |
| thankfulness |  |
| cheerfulness |  |
| thanksgiving |  |
| happiness |  |
| pleasure |  |
| delight |  |
| satisfaction |  |
| enjoyment |  |
| merriment |  |
| excitement |  |
| ecstasy |  |
| joy |  |
| etc. | и т.д. |

**Did you know?**

In Russia, Mother's Day is celebrated on the last Sunday of November, in accordance with the decree of President Boris Yeltsin of January 30, 1998 "On Mother's Day". The holiday has no fixed date.

The analog of this holiday exists in almost all countries of the world, but it is celebrated on different days. Thus, in Australia, Brazil, Germany, Denmark, Italy, Canada, USA and other countries it is celebrated on the second Sunday of May, and in Spain, Hungary, Portugal and Lithuania – on the first. There are also fixed dates: in Greece Mother's Day is celebrated on May 9, in Egypt – on March 21, and in Belarus – on October 14.

It is difficult to say when the holiday was first celebrated. So, in ancient Greece there was a day dedicated to the goddess of fertility Persephone, and in honor of the Great Mother of the gods Cybele rituals were arranged. In England in the Middle Ages there was Mothering Sunday, which got its name because children who had gone to work could return home on the fourth Sunday of Lent, visit the church where they were baptized, and visit their mothers.

Let’s continue to appreciate and cherish mothers, not just on this designated day, but every day, for their selflessness and love knows no bounds.

P.S.: I hope you are surely choose the best ideas for your holiday vocabulary and enjoy them. I’ll surely be glad to see you in future and talk a bit on this topic if you have any ideas of your own. Come and boast. You are always welcome. It’s a challenge of mine.

If you know more words, please, tell me. The interlinear note or reference onto this paper is needed.

Anyway waiting for your answer(s).

With best regards,

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