

# NEW READERS



## Saint Patrick's Day

### English Words

March 17 is Saint Patrick's Day.

The day is celebrated throughout our country with parties, parades and Irish food.

People wear green for luck.

Saint Patrick lived over 1,500 years ago.

He was born in Britain. His family was Roman.

Saint Patrick was kidnapped and taken to Ireland as a slave.

Later, he escaped and went to school.

He returned to Ireland and converted the Irish tribes to Christianity.

Saint Patrick helped the Irish make good laws.

He taught the people the Roman alphabet.

### Pronunciation Guide

Clap the stress for each word.

● ○ Bri-tain	○ ● throu(gh)-out	○ ● pa-rades	○ ● ○ Saint Pa-trick con-ver-ted	● ○ ○ ○ cel-e-bra-ted	○ ○ ○ ● ○ Chris-ti-an-i-ty
Ro-man	es-ca-ped	re-turned			
Kid-napped					
Ire-land					

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## El día de San Patricio

### Palabras en Español

El día diecisiete de marzo es el día de San Patricio.

El día se celebra en nuestro país con fiestas, desfiles y comida irlandesa.

La gente se viste de verde para tener buena suerte.

San Patricio vivió hace más de mil quinientos años.

San Patricio nació en Inglaterra. Su familia era romana.

San Patricio fué secuestrado y vendido en Irlanda como esclavo.

Después se escapó y fué a la escuela.

Volvió a Irlanda y convirtió las tribus irlandesas al cristianismo.

San Patricio ayudó a los irlandeses a promulgar leyes buenas.

Enseñó a los irlandeses el alfabeto romano.

### Guía de pronunciación

Aplauda el acento de cada palabra.

