

## List of American Holidays for 2008

- **New Year's Day** - January 1
- **Inauguration Day** - January 20 every fourth year
- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day** - third Monday in January
- **Black History Month** - February all month
- **Groundhog Day** - February 2
- **Lunar New Year** - Tet - Chinese New Year - Asian New Year  
February 7, 2008 (Year of the Rat)
- **Mardi Gras** - day before Ash Wednesday - February 5, 2008
- **Valentine's Day** - February 14
- **Presidents Day** - third Monday in February
- **National Women's History Month** - March all month
- **Saint Patrick's Day** - March 17
- **Easter** - Sunday between March 22 and April 25
- **Arbor Day** - last Friday in April
- **Cinco de Mayo** - May 5
- **Mother's Day** - second Sunday in May
- **Armed Forces Day** - third Saturday in May
- **Memorial Day** - last Monday in May
- **Flag Day** - June 14
- **Father's Day** - third Sunday in June
- **Summer** – June 20
- **Fourth of July** - July 4th
- **Summer Olympics** - August 8 to August 24
- **Labor Day** - First Monday in September
- **Ramadan 2008** - Monday, September 1 and continues for thirty days  
until Tuesday, September 30 (Starts one day later in North America.)
- **Patriots Day** – September 11
- **Fall or Autumn** - September 20
- **Columbus Day** - October 12
- **United Nations Day** - October 24 - U.N. Week is October 20-26
- **Halloween** - October 31
- **Election Day** - Tuesday following the first Monday of November –  
November 4, 2008
- **Veterans Day** - weekday closest to November 11th
- **Thanksgiving** - fourth Thursday in November
- **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day** - December 7
- **Hanukkah** - sunset December 21 to sunset December 29, 2008
- **Christmas** - December 25
- **Kwanzaa** - December 26 to January 1

Note: Holiday lessons can be found at [www.elcivics.com](http://www.elcivics.com) – worksheets, videos, and ppts.