

# **IMPORTANT DAYS**

**LYRIQ Music School**

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## INTRODUCTION:

This is an alternating leader and group song, with lively parts at the beginning, and more sombre and reflective parts towards the end. At the end of the song, the whole class will link arms and sway left and right. Percussion is optional.

## PERFORMANCE NOTES:

Before starting, make sure the students review the keywords at home with their caregivers. Additionally, well before the start of the first class, ask caregivers/parents to list any holidays, or days of remembrance they celebrate or commemorate at home, not already included in the lyrics. Up to four unique extra days, will be sung along the melody notes and rhythms written, where blanks appear under measures. They are displayed as blanks on the lyrics page.

At measure 70, a low C# tone must be played by the accompanying instrument, abbreviated as "ACC." in the score.

*Keywords are underlined in the lyrics, and can be found on the keyword sheet.*

## RHYTHMIC SPEAKING:

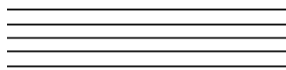
In the **lead sheet**, rhythmic speech is notated with x-noteheads.



Three and four!

## REGULAR SPEAKING:

In the **lead sheet**, spoken parts show as quoted text under an empty measure.



"January 27th"

## LYRICS

**All:**

I care for you,  
And you care for me  
What's important to you!  
Is important to me!

Those things could be...  
Cultures! Beliefs!

What's important to you  
Is important to me!  
What's important to you!  
Is important to me!

**TA:**

There are important days of the year!  
A day, event, or date you hold dear!  
Sometimes it's a holiday  
We don't have school,  
Sometimes it's another time  
Unique and cool

So let's all sing important days...  
We celebrate in different ways...

**TA:**

Springtime days!

**All:**

Cinco de Mayo, Ramadan, Easter,  
Passover, Earth Day, Juneteenth

**TA:**

Summer days!

**All:**

Fourth of July, Memorial day,  
Labor day, Father's day

**TA:**

Autumn days

**All:**

Halloween, Dia de los Muertos,  
Eid al-Ahda, Yom Kippur

**TA:**

Winter days!

**All:**

Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, Soyal,  
Las Posadas, Martin Luther King Day

**TA:**

Summer Days, Springtime Days,  
Autumn days, Winter days  
And more and more and more and more,  
Like...

New Years Day!

**All:**

Lunar New Year, Oshogatsu,  
Hindu New Year, Rosh Hashanah

**TA:**

Children's Day!

**All:**

Korean, Japanese, Indian, Mexican,  
Brazilian, Turkish, United Nations

**TA:**

Other days!

**All:**

\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**TA:**

New Year's Day, Children's Day,

\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

And more and more and more and  
more...

Like your birthday!

**TA:**

There are important days of the year!  
A day, event, or date you hold dear!  
Sometimes a holiday brings us relief!  
Sometimes there's a day  
To remember our grief...  
Just like birthdays honor birth  
There are other days  
Humanity, at its worst  
And lives taken away

**TA:**

January 27th

**All:**

International Holocaust Remembrance  
Day

**TA:**

May 25

**All:**

George Floyd Remembrance Day

**TA:**

May 5th

**All:**

Red Dress Day

**TA:**

September 30th

**All:**

Orange Shirt Day

**TA:**

But remembering helps us not repeat,  
Our future can't take a back seat.  
Our future...

**DC AI fine**

**All:**

**\*everyone links arms and repeatedly  
sways left and right\***

I care for you,  
And you care for me,  
What's important to you,  
Is important to me

Those things could be...  
Cultures. Beliefs,  
What's important to you,  
Is important to me,  
What's important to you,  
Is important to me.

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PLAYFULLY ♩ = 112

ALL **ALL** E A E

I care\_ for you and you care\_ for me what's im - por - tant\_ to you is im -

4 B E A E

por - tant\_ to me those things could be cul - tures be - liefs! What's im -

7 B E

por - tant\_ to you is im - por - tant to me, what's im - por - tant\_ to you is im -

10 B E *FINE* TA E

por - tant\_ to me There are im - por - tant days\_ of the

13 A E B

year a day e - vent or date you hold dear

16 E A E

Some-times it's a ho liday\_ we don't have school Some-times it's a - no - ther time\_ u -

19 B A B C#m A/C#

niq ue and cool So, let's all sing im - por - tant days We

22 A B C#m A/C#

ce - le - brate in di - fferent ways\_

*SWING*

25 E **ALL** F#m/A

Spring - time days! Cin - co de May - o, Ra - ma - dan, Eas - ter,

2  
28 G#m/B A/C# TA B

Pa - sso - ver, Earth Day, June - teenth! Su - mmer days!  
New Years Day!

31 ALL B7

Fourth of Ju - ly Me - mo - ri - al Day La bor Day  
Lu - nar New Year, O - sho - gat - su, Hin - du New Year,

34 TA E ALL

Fa - ther's Day Au - tumn days! Ha - llo - ween, Di - a  
Rosh Ha - sha - nah, Chil - dren's day! Ko - re - an, Japa - nese,

37 F#m/A G#m/B A/C#

de los Muer - tos, Eid al - Ah - da, Yom Ki - ppur  
Indi - an, Mexi - can, Bra - zili - an, Tur - kish, U - ni - ted Na - tions,

40 B B7

Win - ter days! Ha - nu - kkah, Kwan - zaa, Christ - mas, So - yal,  
O - ther days!

43 ALL E TA

Las Po - sa - das, Mar - tin Lu - ther King Day! Spring - time days  
New Year's Day,

46 TA B E B7

Su - mmer days! Au - tumn days! Win - ter days! and  
Chil - dren's day,

49 ALL B

more and more and more and more Like

52 TA NO SWING E

your birth - day! Three and four! There are im - por - tant days of the

55 TA A E B

year a day e - vent or date you hold dear

58 E A E C#m

TA Some-times a ho-liday brings us re-lief Some-times there's a day to re-

61 A/C# A B C#m A/C#

TA mem-ber our grief Just like birth-days ho-nor birth-

64 A B C#m A B

TA There are o-ther days Hu-ma-ni-ty

67 C#m A/C# A B C#m

RIT. at its worst And lives ta-ken-a-way

*SOMBRE AND SLOW*

70 TA ALL TA

TA "January 27th" "International Holocaust Remembrance Day" "May 5th"

ACC

73 ALL TA ALL

ALL "Red Dress Day" "May 25th" "George Floyd Remembrance Day"

ACC

76 TA ALL TA

REFLECTIVELY

TA "September 30th" "Orange Shirt Day" But re-

ACC

79 A B C#m A/C# A B

TA mem-bering helps us not re-peat Our fu-ture can't take

82 E A/E B/F# D.C. AL FINE

TA a back seat Our fu-ture