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PART SOCIOLINGÜÍSTICA  
APARTAT A3 - ANGLÉS

**1. Read the following text. Then answer the questions.**

April Fool's Day

April 1st, or April Fools Day, is the day when we play jokes on people. Do you have it in your country?

April Fool's Day started in the sixteenth century in Europe. Before that time, New Year's Day was celebrated on April 1st. Then a new calendar was introduced, it was called the *Gregorian* calendar. January 1st became the first day of the year, but many people did not know about it. So those who continued to celebrate New Year's Day on April 1st were teased. They were called fools.

Nowadays we play jokes on people on April 1st. For example, someone might put salt in the sugar container so another person could "accidentally" put it in his or her coffee. Or someone might change the time on another person's alarm clock so that person would unknowingly wake up earlier or later than planned. Or maybe a person would tell a lie to make someone else shocked. After we play the trick, we say "April Fool." Then the poor person realizes he was fooled. It is generally done in the spirit of fun and it doesn't cause any real harm to anyone. Do you have any great jokes to play on anyone today? Try it out. Just don't forget to say "April Fool" when the other person begins looking a little confused.

a. When did April Fool's Day started?

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b. What happened when the Gregorian calendar was introduced?

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c. Give one example of a joke that people play in Fool's Day.

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d. What do you say after playing a joke on someone?

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**2. Look for synonyms for the following words in the text:**

- a. persons
- b. began
- c. these days

**3. Find 2 adjectives from the text and make their comparative and superlative form.**

adjective	Comparative form	Superlative form

**4. Find one example of the following verbal tenses.**

	Example
Present simple	
Past simple	
Modal verb	

**5. Summarise the text with your own words.**