

Pancake Day Around the World

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49 is Sprengidagur, which
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86 Thursday in Poland and is
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Quick Questions



1. What is Pancake Day called in Sweden?



2. What does the word 'Sprengidagur' mean?



3. Where would you like to celebrate Pancake Day and why?



4. Match the country to the celebration.

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Brazil
Ireland
Sweden

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Answers

1. What is Pancake Day called in Sweden?
In Sweden, Pancake Day is called Fettisdagen.

2. What does the word 'Sprengidagur' mean?
The word Sprengidagur means Bursting Day.

3. Where would you like to celebrate Pancake Day and why?
Accept any reasonable answer linked to the text, such as: I would like to celebrate Pancake Day in Sweden so I could try some semla.

4. Match the country to the celebration.

Poland	Shrovetide Tuesday
Brazil	Mardi Gras
Ireland	Fettisdagen
Sweden	Fat Thursday