

I'm thirty, on the tenth of July

Age, birthdays and ordinal dates

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Age, birthdays and ordinal dates

Express age with **be**: **I'm thirty, Nicky is ten years old.** Do not use **have** for English age. For a baby say **He's six months old.**

Ordinal numbers give positions and dates: **first, second, third**, then usually **-th**. Learn **tenth, twenty-eighth** and **thirtieth** with the story. In British English **10 July** is spoken **the tenth of July**.

Use **on** for a particular day or date, **in** for a month or year: **on the tenth of July, in July, in 1995.** **I was born** is an early birth-date chunk; **was/were** is taught at the end of this module.

Form	Example	Meaning
am	I am thirty years old.	State your age.
months	He's six months old.	State the baby's age.
on	My birthday is on the tenth of July.	Give the exact birthday date.
in	My birthday is in July.	Give the birthday month.
tenth	My birthday is the tenth of July.	Give the birthday date, ten July.
eighth	The date is the twenty-eighth of March.	Say the birthday date twenty-eight March.

I am thirty years old.

State your age.

He's six months old.

State the baby's age.

My birthday is on the tenth of July.

Give the exact birthday date.

My birthday is in July.

Give the birthday month.

My birthday is the tenth of July.

Give the birthday date, ten July.

The date is the twenty-eighth of March.

Say the birthday date twenty-eight March.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE PATTERNS

Underline the form described in this unit.

1 I am thirty years old.

Meaning: State your age.

2 He's six months old.

Meaning: State the baby's age.

3 My birthday is on the tenth of July.

Meaning: Give the exact birthday date.

4 My birthday is in July.

Meaning: Give the birthday month.

5 My birthday is the tenth of July.

Meaning: Give the birthday date, ten July.

6 The date is the twenty-eighth of March.

Meaning: Say the birthday date twenty-eight March.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Choose the right word for the gap.

1 I _____ thirty years old.

- ☐ A am
- ☐ B has
- ☐ C have

Meaning: State your age.

2 He's six _____ old.

- ☐ A months
- ☐ B months-old
- ☐ C month

Meaning: State the baby's age.

3 My birthday is _____ the tenth of July.

- ☐ A on
- ☐ B at
- ☐ C in

Meaning: Give the exact birthday date.

4 My birthday is _____ July.

- ☐ A on
- ☐ B at
- ☐ C in

Meaning: Give the birthday month.

5 My birthday is the _____ of July.

- ☐ A tenthly
- ☐ B ten
- ☐ C tenth

Meaning: Give the birthday date, ten July.

6 The date is the twenty-_____ of March.

- ☐ A eighty
- ☐ B eighth
- ☐ C eight

Meaning: Say the birthday date twenty-eight March.

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

have am

I _____ thirty years old.

Meaning: State your age.

month months

He's six _____ old.

Meaning: State the baby's age.

in on

My birthday is _____ the tenth of July.

Meaning: Give the exact birthday date.

on in

My birthday is _____ July.

Meaning: Give the birthday month.

ten tenth

My birthday is the _____ of July.

Meaning: Give the birthday date, ten July.

eight eighth

The date is the twenty-_____ of March.

Meaning: Say the birthday date twenty-eight March.

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES

Put the words in order.

- 1 I years thirty old. am

Meaning: State your age.

- 2 months old. six He's

Meaning: State the baby's age.

- 3 July. on is My tenth the of birthday

Meaning: Give the exact birthday date.

- 4 birthday July. is My in

Meaning: Give the birthday month.

- 5 the My birthday tenth of is July.

Meaning: Give the birthday date, ten July.

- 6 The March. is the date of twenty-eighth

Meaning: Say the birthday date twenty-eight March.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 State your age. You say:

- (A) I have thirty years old.
(B) I am thirty years old.

2 State the baby's age. You say:

- (A) He's six months old.
(B) He's six month old.

3 Give the exact birthday date. You say:

- ☐ A My birthday is on the tenth of July.
- ☐ B My birthday is in the tenth of July.

4 Give the birthday month. You say:

- ☐ A My birthday is on July.
- ☐ B My birthday is in July.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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|---|---|
| ☐ 1 He's six months old. | ☐ A Give the birthday date, ten July. |
| ☐ 2 The date is the
twenty-eighth of
March. | ☐ B State the baby's age. |
| ☐ 3 My birthday is in
July. | ☐ C Say the birthday date twenty-
eight March. |
| ☐ 4 I am thirty years old. | ☐ D Give the birthday month. |

- ⑤ My birthday is the
tenth of July.
- ⑥ My birthday is on
the tenth of July.
- ⑦ State your age.
- ⑧ Give the exact birthday date.