Calendar Case Check

Sort sentences, explain two choices, and create your own.

5.5.W.4 "Students will write using correct capitalization mechanics."

NAME _____ DATE _____

CAPITALIZATION IS CORRECT

Names of days and months begin with a capital letter, even in the middle of a sentence.

Let's meet on Wednesday.

CAPITALIZATION NEEDS FIXING

A day or month name that begins with a lowercase letter needs a capital letter.

You can visit during september.

1 SORT

8 items

Read each sentence and circle CORRECT or INCORRECT based on how its day or month name is capitalized.

1.	The museum opens each Tuesday.	CORRECT INCORRECT
2.	A hike is planned for april.	CORRECT INCORRECT
3.	The game starts this friday.	CORRECT INCORRECT
4.	We plant seeds every May.	CORRECT INCORRECT
5.	A play opens next Saturday.	CORRECT INCORRECT
6.	My birthday falls in october.	CORRECT INCORRECT
7.	The train leaves early Monday.	CORRECT INCORRECT
8.	The fair runs through June.	CORRECT INCORRECT

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

pick two numbered items, one from each category, and explain how you knew where each belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

write one new sentence with correct capitalization and one with a day or month name that needs fixing.

CORRECT

INCORRECT

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence with two different month names and exactly one capitalization error. Then rewrite the sentence with both month names capitalized.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 5 · 5.5.W.4

PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The museum opens each Tuesday.	**CORRECT**	Tuesday is a day name and begins with a capital letter.
2	A hike is planned for april.	**INCORRECT**	April is a month name and needs a capital A.
3	The game starts this friday.	**INCORRECT**	Friday is a day name and needs a capital F.
4	We plant seeds every May.	**CORRECT**	May is a month name and begins with a capital letter.
5	A play opens next Saturday.	**CORRECT**	Saturday is a day name and begins with a capital letter.
6	My birthday falls in october.	**INCORRECT**	October is a month name and needs a capital O.
7	The train leaves early Monday.	**CORRECT**	Monday is a day name and begins with a capital letter.
8	The fair runs through June.	**CORRECT**	June is a month name and begins with a capital letter.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Task: pick two numbered items, one from each category, and explain how you knew where each belonged.
Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **CORRECT**: A boat arrives every January.
- **INCORRECT**: The parade begins in november.

Challenge: The shop closes in february and opens in July. The shop closes in February and opens in July.

For Part 2, explanations should identify the day or month name and state whether its first letter is capitalized. For example, item 2 needs a capital A in April, while item 4 correctly capitalizes May.