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English Learning Newsletter

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New words of the week:

Spring starts March 20. Here are some common sayings about spring:

- **Spring is in the air!** = exciting times are coming.
- We're **full of the joys of spring** = very happy.
- I've got **spring fever** = I feel restless and want to be active.
- You have a **spring in your step!** = a lot of energy.
- Let's **spring into action!** = start doing something quickly.
- I'm **no spring chicken** = I'm not young.
- **Hope springs eternal** = we always hope things will get better.

Learn more:

March 17 is **Saint (St.) Patrick's Day**. Read and watch videos about this holiday here:

<https://www.history.com/topics/st-patricks-day>

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Phrases for conversation:

Use these phrases to talk to people about spring:

- **What do you usually do in the spring?**
- **Do you have any special plans this year?**
- **Will you do any spring cleaning?**
- **Do you play any sports?**
- **What is your favorite thing about spring?**



For Fun:

Watch a video about beautiful places in southern Wisconsin here:

<https://pbswisconsin.org/scenictreasures/>

There is a **glossary** (vocabulary list) at the bottom of the page under the video.



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