In a common year there are three hundred and sixty-five days. In every fourth year there are three hundred and sixty six days; the year in which there are three hundred and sixty six days is called a leap-year.

> " Thirty days has September, April, June and November ; February has twenty-eight alone All the rest have thirty-one ; But leap-year coming once in four February then has one day more."

In a year there are four seasons : Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.

Dictez les questions suivantes; que les élèves trouvent eux-mêmes les réponses. 1. How many months are there in a year? **R**. In a year there are twelve months.

2. What is the first month and how many days has it? R. The first month is January which has thirty-one days.

3. What is the second month and how many days has it? **R.** The second month is February, which has twenty-eight days and every fourth year twenty-nine. 4. What is the third month and how many days has it? **R**. The third month is March, which

has thirty-one days.

5. What is the fourth month and how many days has it? **R.** The fourth month is April, which has thirty days.

6. What is the fifth month and how many days has it? R. The fifth month is May, which has thirty-one days.

7: What is the sixth month and how many days has it? **R.** The sixth month is June, which has thirty days.

8. What is the seventh month and how many days has it? R. The seventh month is July which has thirty one days.

9. What is the eighth month and how many days has it? B. The eighth month is August, which has thirty-one days.

10. What is the ninth month and how many days has it? R. The ninth month is September. which has thirty days.

11. What is the tenth month and how many days has it? R. The tenth month is October, which

has thirty-one days. 12. What is the eleventh month and how many days has it? **R.** The eleventh month is November, which has thirty days.

13. What is the twelfth month and how many days has it? R. The twelfth month is December, which has thirty one days.

14. In a common year how many days are there? **R.** In a common year there are three hundred

and sixty-five days. 15. How many days are there in every fourth year? **R.** In every fourth year there are three hundred and sixty-six days.

16. What is the year in which there are three hundred and sixty-six days called ? R. The year in which there are three hundred and sixty-six days is called a leap-year.

Recite the lines which tell how many days there are in each month.
How many seasons are there in a year? R. In a year, there are four scasons.

19. Name the seasons? R. Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.

## DICTÉE MODÈLE

## Tirée du Royal Reader

## THE WONDERFUL PUDDING.

Our uncle Robert one day came to us, and asked us to dinner. He said he would give us a pud-

ding, the materials of which had given work to more than a thousand men 1 "A pudding that has taken a thousand men to make ! Then it must be as large as a church ! " "Well, my boys," said Uncle Robert, to morrow, at dinner-time you shall see it." Scarcely had we taken our breakfast next day, when we prepared to go in our uncle's house.

When we got there, we were surprised to see everything as calm and quiet as usual.

Que les élèves trouvent des expressions équivalentes pour les mots en italiques. Par expressions équivalentes, nous entendons des expressions qui pourraient être mises à la place des mots en italiques sans que le sens des phrases en fut aliéré.

Wonderful, extraordinary.—Asked, invited.—Work, employment.—Large, big.—Scarcely, hardiv. -Prepared, got ready .- Got, reached .- Surprised, astonished.