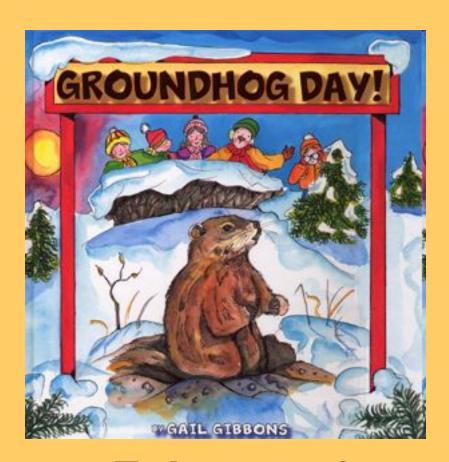
# **Groundhog Day!!!!**



February 2

## Holiday



 Groundhog Day is celebrated on February 2nd every year

 This holiday is celebrated in the USA and Canada

## Groundhog



- Groundhogs are also called woodchucks
- They have fur on their bodies.
- Groundhogs whistle when they are frightened!
- Groundhogs live in burrows (long tunnels in the ground)
- In the winter groundhogs hibernate

# The Legend

 The legend originated in Germany with a holiday called "Candlemas Day"



It says that the groundhog can predict the weather by looking for his shadow

 If the groundhog comes out of its burrow and sees its shadow, then <u>6 more weeks of winter!</u>

 If it doesn't see its shadow, there will be <u>an early</u> spring

## **Punxsatawney Phil**



 The most famous groundhog in North America is Punxsatawney Phil

 Phil lives in Pennsylvania and is 100 years old!

#### Groundhog Day Celebrations



 Groundhog Day celebrations are in the morning to watch the groundhog come out



Some people watch the movie called
Groundhog Day with the actor *Bill Murray*

