




NEW YEARS

Traditions

READING COMPREHENSION



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NEW YEAR'S TRADITIONS
CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.
The last day of the year called New Year's Eve.
What do as the clock gets close to midnight on New Year's Eve?
People often do when the clock strikes midnight on New Year's Eve?
What is a common New Year's resolution?

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FUN TRADITIONS

Many countries have unique New Year's traditions. In Brazil, people wear white clothes for peace and throw flowers into the sea. In Denmark, people break old dishes on their friends' doorsteps to bring them good luck. In the Philippines, people make loud noises to scare away bad spirits.

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NEW YEAR'S DAY

New Year's Day is on January 1st. It is often a time to relax and spend time with family. Some people watch parades on TV, like the Rose Parade in California. Others enjoy watching football games or going for a walk outside. It's a day to start the new year feeling happy and hopeful.



BRINGING GOOD LUCK

Many people believe that what you do on New Year's Day can bring good luck for the whole year. They try to be kind and do nice things for others. Some people clean their houses to get rid of bad luck. Others spend time with loved ones to have a happy year.

LOOKING FORWARD

New Year's is a time to look forward to new adventures and experiences. It is a chance to dream big and set goals. Everyone hopes that the new year will be even better than the last one. With hope and excitement, people around the world welcome the new year together.

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Date_____

NEW YEAR'S TRADITIONS

DIRECTIONS CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. What is the last day of the year called?

- a) New Year's Day
- b) Christmas Eve
- c) New Year's Eve
- d) Thanksgiving

2. What do people do as the clock gets closer to midnight on New Year's Eve?

- a) Go to bed early
- b) Count down the last ten seconds
- c) Open presents
- d) Sing Christmas carols

3. What do people often do when the clock strikes midnight on New Year's Eve?

- a) Start working
- b) Eat dinner
- c) Cheer, hug, and kiss
- d) Go to sleep

4. What is a New Year's resolution?

- a) A new game
- b) A promise to try something new or do something better
- c) A type of food
- d) A decoration

5. Which special food do people in Spain eat at midnight on New Year's Eve?

- a) Black-eyed peas
- b) Noodles
- c) Twelve grapes
- d) Flowers

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What do people often do at midnight on New Year's Eve?
2. Why do people make New Year's resolutions?
3. What special food do people in Spain eat at midnight on New Year's Eve?
4. How do people in the Philippines celebrate New Year's?
5. What do some people do on New Year's Eve to bring good luck for the year?

6. What do people in Brazil do for New Year's?

- a) Wear white clothes
- b) Eat grapes
- c) Break dishes
- d) Watch football

7. How do people in Denmark bring good luck for New Year's?

- a) Wear white clothes
- b) Break old dishes on friends' doorsteps
- c) Eat black-eyed peas
- d) Make loud noises

8. What do many people believe about New Year's activities?

- a) They don't matter
- b) They can bring good luck for the whole year
- c) They should be the same every year
- d) They are bad luck

9. What might people do to get rid of bad luck on New Year's Day?

- a) Clean their houses
- b) Go shopping
- c) Sleep all day
- d) Watch TV

10. What do people hope for in the new year?

- a) To stay the same
- b) To have new adventures and experiences
- c) To be with friends
- d) To be like the past year

ANSWER KEY

MCQS

1. c) New Year's Eve
2. b) Count down the last ten seconds
3. c) Cheer, hug, and kiss
4. b) A promise to try something new or do something better
5. c) Twelve grapes
6. a) Wear white clothes
7. b) Break old dishes on friends' doorsteps
8. b) They can bring good luck for the whole year
9. a) Clean their houses
10. b) To have new adventures and experiences

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTION

1. They cheer, hug, and sometimes even kiss.
2. To try something new or do something better.
3. Black-eyed peas.
4. They make loud noises to scare away bad spirits.
5. They try to be kind and do nice things for others.

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QUESTIONS

ANSWER KEY
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