The New Year

A. Complete the text. Use the words below.

*** look * supposed * outdoors * custom * around * incredible * * together * chance ***

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Many countries have interesting New Year's traditions. It's the (1)_____ in Spain, for example, to eat twelve grapes at midnight on the night before New Year's Day. People say this will bring good luck for each of the twelve months of the next year. In Madrid and Barcelona, friends get (2)_____ outside. People in Mexico go (3)_____ too – with a suitcase! They believe that if they walk around the streets with it, they will have a (4)_____ to travel that year. Here in Greece, we celebrate New Year with our family and friends. My grandparents usually come (5)_____ to our house in the evening before New Year's Day with my aunts, uncles and cousins. I love having a big meal with all my relatives. The food is always delicious, but I (6)_____ forward to the Vasilopita most. This is a special cake with a coin inside. My grandma's Vasilopita is (7)_____! At midnight, we cut the cake. The person who finds the coin in their piece is (8)_____ to have good luck all year.

B. Match the following traditions to the places. Some traditions may go in more than one column.

fireworks traditional dancing parade confetti the dropping of the ball street party live music street performance dressing up writing good wishes

New York, USA	Edinburgh, Scotland	Tokyo, Japan