

GE7 UNIT 2 TIME TO CELEBRATE 2

1. Read and write the correct form of the word in brackets:

- The four-leaf clover is the symbol of _____. (luck)
- We're really sorry for the late _____ of the cake. (arrive)
- We were surprised by Emily's warm _____ when we arrived at their house. (welcome)
- We'd love to _____ our sibling's birthday at your restaurant. (celebrate)
- She'd been away from town for ages and her arrival was a complete _____ to us. (surprise)
- I hope you can join in the Christmas _____ at our place. (celebrate)
- It's _____ to hear that you're getting married next month. (excite)
- I think I will become _____ if she doesn't show up in 5 minutes. (impatient)
- Everybody looked at the landscape in _____. (amaze)
- What time did you _____ at the airport? (arrive)
- My son-in-law is really _____ in the idea of using AI in education. (interest)
- Do you know that eggs _____ new life? (symbol)
- Don't ignore her. She's just trying to be _____. (friend)

2. Read and complete the sentences with the correct prepositions:

- Use _____ with countries, cities, closed areas, months, years, and seasons.
- Use _____ with days and dates.
- Use _____ with time, festivals, the weekend, the start/ beginning/ end of
- My son-in-law's parents live _____ 56 Hai Ba Trung street.
- They got divorced _____ June 3rd, 1985.
- People who love tanned skin often sunbathe _____ summer as they believe it looks more attractive.
- _____ Easter Day, people attend church services, bake hot buns, and decorate eggs.
- _____ New Year's Eve, some Christians attend a watchnight service.
- _____ Vietnam, _____ the first and fifteenth days of a lunar month, people often go to pagodas and put flowers and offerings on the altar.
- _____ New Year, Chinese people often dress in red and set off fireworks.
- _____ midnight _____ December 31st, it is traditional in Cuba to eat 12 grapes to make 12 wishes come true.

3. Read and use the words in the box to complete the text:

lunar	symbolises	arrival	get together
happiness	spring rolls	decorate	packets
lanterns	celebration	dragon dance	season
calendar	wisdom	wealth	dumplings

Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year is the most important _____ in the Chinese calendar. It is also known as the spring festival because it is the time when people welcome the _____ of spring. It celebrates the start of new life and the _____ for planting crops. It is the oldest Chinese festival.

New Year celebrations start when there is a new moon, on the first day of the lunar month in the Chinese _____, in January or February (between 25th January and 20th February). Celebrations go on until the fifteenth day, when the moon is brightest. Just before New Year, people clean their houses and throw away anything that is old or broken. They _____ their homes with pieces of paper with words such as " _____ " and " _____ " written on them. On New Year's Eve, families _____ and have a special meal, which may include soup, fish, _____, _____, and rice cakes. People dress in red, which _____ fire and set off fireworks. Children receive gifts of money in red _____.

At the start of the first week of New Year, people visit friends and family. The second week ends with the Lantern Festival on the fifteenth day of the _____ month. People light _____ to put in the windows of their houses. They walk in the streets carrying them under the light of the full moon.

One of the highlights of the Chinese New Year is the _____. The dragons are made of paper, silk, and bamboo. Chinese people think of dragons as helpful, friendly creatures which symbolise long life and _____.