

2 Reading and grammar

Read about customs in China. Choose the correct words.

When it's New Year in China, we have a big festival. But there are lots of jobs to do before New Year's Day. You ¹**should**/**shouldn't** always clean your house. But you ² **should**/**shouldn't** carry the dirt outside through the front door. If you do that, you'll have bad luck. You ³ **should**/**shouldn't** take the dirt outside through the back door! You ⁴ **should**/**shouldn't** wash your hair before New Year. You ⁵ **should**/**shouldn't** wash it on New Year's Day – that's too late. For Chinese people, red is a lucky colour, so you ⁶ **should**/**shouldn't** wear red clothes and you ⁷ **should**/**shouldn't** put red things in your house. You ⁸ **should**/**shouldn't** use bad words on New Year's Day – that's also unlucky.

And we also ⁹ **should**/**shouldn't** cry! Chinese people say, 'If you cry on New Year's Day, you'll cry the whole year.' I always say to my mother, 'Remember, you ¹⁰ **should**/**shouldn't** shout at me, because then I will cry and I won't stop crying for a year!'



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