

UNIT 9 – FESTIVALS AROUND THE WORLD  
 WORKSHEET 4

**EXERCISE 1:** Listen to Sarah talking to a friend about a sports centre. What is the problem with the different things at the sports centre? Listen and write a letter A-H next to each thing.

THINGS		PROBLEMS	
0	T-shirt	A	big
1	Swimming pool	B	cold
2	Car park	C	dirty
3	Café	D	expensive
4	Football club	E	hot
5	Tennis lessons	F	late
		G	noisy
		H	small

**EXERCISE 2:** Find the word which has a different sound in the underlined part

1. A. designs	B. sails	C. <u>pedals</u>	D. pollutes
2. A. <u>perform</u>	B. <u>end</u>	C. <u>festival</u>	D. <u>elephant</u>
3. A. <u>cake</u>	B. <u>celebrate</u>	C. <u>racing</u>	D. <u>candle</u>
4. A. <u>desert</u>	B. <u>held</u>	C. <u>prefer</u>	D. <u>celebrate</u>

**EXERCISE 3:** Find the word or phrases does not belong to each group.

1. A. joyful	B. funny	C. prefer	D. happy
2. A. party	B. elephant	C. camp	D. desert
3. A. festival	B. local	C. traditional	D. cultural
4. A. harvest	B. Rice God	C. feast	D. dancing
5. A. artist	B. dancer	C. celebration	D. performer

**EXERCISE 4:** Complete these sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

1. Vietnam's New Year is \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Lunar calendar. (**celebrate**)
2. What forms of \_\_\_\_\_ do you participate in during the festival? (**entertain**)
3. Her eyes were wide with \_\_\_\_\_ when she heard the news. (**excite**)
4. The Chinese New Year marks the \_\_\_\_\_ of spring and the start of the Lunar New Year. (**begin**)
5. I saw so many \_\_\_\_\_ flowers when I attended the festival last year. (**BEAUTY**)
6. The Christmas season is also called the \_\_\_\_\_ season. (**FESTIVAL**)
7. I loved the \_\_\_\_\_ this night. (**PERFORM**)
8. There is a great \_\_\_\_\_ for girls on March 8<sup>th</sup> every year. (**CELEBRATE**)

**EXERCISE 5: Choose the correct answers A, B, C or D.**

1. People of \_\_\_\_\_ minorities in Phu Yen celebrate Hoi Mua Festival every March.  
A. native      B. local      C. ethnic      D. village
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ atmosphere is felt around all the village.  
A. festive      B. festival      C. air      D. tradition
3. A lot of cultural and \_\_\_\_\_ activities are held as part of the Flower festival in DaLat.  
A. arts      B. artist      C. artistic      D. art
4. Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Light, is the \_\_\_\_\_ holiday of the year in India.  
A. more important      B. most important      C. importance      D. most importance
5. The Academy Awards, commonly \_\_\_\_\_ as The Oscars, are the most famous film awards in the world.  
A. know      B. knew      C. known      D. be known
6. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to see elephants racing in the Elephant Race Festival in DakLak.  
A. amaze      B. amazing      C. amazed      D. amazement
7. La Tomatina is a \_\_\_\_\_ festival to celebrate the tomato harvest.  
A. season      B. seasonal      C. year      D. annually
8. People put pumpkin \_\_\_\_\_ outside the homes during Halloween.  
A. lanterns      B. lights      C. neon signs      D. bulbs
9. Everybody has gone to the \_\_\_\_\_ festival.  
A. music      B. musical      C. musicians      D. musician
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Rio Carnival is the Samba Parade.  
A. importance      B. highlight      C. best      D. performance

**EXERCISE 6: Read the passage carefully, then choose the correct answers.**

For hundreds of years, one remote hill in the middle of England has hosted one of the weirdest and most hazardous festivals in the world. It's the Cooper's Hill Cheese Rolling Festival. The event is held every year at the end of May. Some people believe that the festival originated from a tradition of rolling burning bundles of sticks down the hill to celebrate the end of winter. Today, the festival has grown into an international event, with over 15,000 participants and spectators from all over the world joining each year.

The rules are simple. A large wheel of cheese is rolled down the hill, and participants chase after it. The first runner to make it to the bottom of the hill is the winner. The winner of the race is allowed to keep the cheese as a prize.

Cooper's Hill is only 200 meters long, but it is very steep. As a result, racers do not run down the hill; instead, they usually fall.

1. What is the passage mainly about?
  - a. Different food festivals around the world
  - b. An unusual and dangerous festival in England
  - c. Tips for winning the race in the Cheese Rolling Festival
  - d. The history of the Cheese Rolling Festival
2. What is the origin of the Cheese Rolling Festival?
  - a. It is held every year in May.
  - b. It takes place at Cooper's Hill in Gloucestershire.

c. It is held to represent the birth of the New Year after winter.  
d. It comes from the tradition of rolling burning bundles of sticks down the hill.

3. The word 'outraged' in the last sentence is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. upset      b. pleasant      c. keen      d. big

4. According to the passage, which of the following is true?  
a. All the runners in the race are from England.  
b. The race is dangerous because the hill is very long.  
c. Most participants cannot stay on their feet while they run down the hill.  
d. The winner is the first person to catch the cheese.

5. The festival was officially canceled in 2010 due to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. a large number of participants      b. the bad weather in Gloucestershire  
c. the steep slopes of Cooper's Hill      d. the dangerous aspect of the event

