

## E7- UNIT 9- READING 2

### I. Fill in each blank in the following passage with ONE suitable word from the box.

<i>ones</i>	<i>enjoy</i>	<i>rises</i>	<i>by</i>
<i>are</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>according</i>	<i>numbers</i>

Among the festivals celebrated (1)\_\_\_\_\_ some of Asian people is the Moon Cake Festival, also known (2)\_\_\_\_\_ the Mid-August Festival. Large (3)\_\_\_\_\_ of small round moon cakes (4)\_\_\_\_\_ eaten on this day, and children (5)\_\_\_\_\_ carrying colourful paper lanterns come in all shapes; the more popular (6)\_\_\_\_\_ are shaped like fish, rabbits, and butterflies. (7)\_\_\_\_\_ to the moon shines brightest on the night of the Moon Cake Festival. As the moon (8)\_\_\_\_\_, tables are placed outside the house and women make offerings of fruit and moon cakes to the Moon Goddess.

### II. Read the passage, and then answer the questions.

#### *A Hindu festival: Diwali*

The festival of Diwali is one of the most important religious(tôn giáo) festivals in India. It lasts for five days around the end of October. It is the festival of Lakshmi, the Goddess who, in the Hindu religion, bring peace(hòa bình) and prosperity(thịnh vượng).

Preparations for the festival begin several weeks before the festival. People clean and decorate their homes, prepare special food and buy new clothes and jewelry(trang sức) to welcome the Goddess in their homes. All over India, people light up their homes with oil lamps and colourful lights.

The celebrations take place on the darkest night of the lunar month, Amavasya. In the evening, fireworks fill the sky to make Diwali a true “Festival of Light”.

1. In which country is Diwali celebrated?

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2. How long is the festival of Diwali?

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3. Which Goddess is it the festival of?

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4. What do people do to prepare for the festival?

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5. Why is Diwali called 'Festival of Light'?

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