UNIT 9: FESTIVALS AROUND THE WORLD

I. Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined

1.	A. perform	B. end	C. festival	D. elephant
2.	A. cake	B. celebrate	C. racing	D. candle
3.	A. desert	B. held	C. prefer	D. celebrate
4.	A. those	B. they	C. than	D. Thanksgiving
5.	A. cranberry	B. lantern	C. gather	D. apricot

II. Find which word which has a different stress pattern from the others.

1.	A. costume	B. canoe	C. highlight	D. season
2.	A. violet	B. serious	C. seasonal	D. hilarious
3.	A. festival	B. disaster	C. pavement	D. station
4.	A. serious	B. diverse	C. special	D. local
5.	A. direct	B. affect	C. open	D. renew
6.	A. succeed	B. happen	C. replace	D. attend
7.	A. reward	B. country	C. samba	D. music
8.	A. helicopter	B. entertainment	C. superstitious	D. documentary
9.	A. perform	B. order	C. receive	D. rehearse
10.	A. invite	B. discuss	C. circle	D. combine
11.	A. pavement	B. review	C. concert	D. samba
12.	A. famous	B. asleep	C. pretty	D. careful
13.	A. highlight	B. project	C. horror	D. perform
14.	A. manner	B. tourist	C. machine	D. action
15.	A. chaos	B. circle	C. direct	D. cannon

III. Put the words into two groups.

album	complete	harvest	annual	perform	cancel
review	rainy	handsome	parade	reply	afraid
dislike	prefer	remote	culture	happy	listen

Stress on 1st syllable	Stress on 2nd syllable

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3.

A. Tet
B. Christmas
C. Easter
D. Halloween

4.

A. Thanksgiving in US
B. Cannes Film Festival
C. Rio Carnival
D. Flowers Festival in Da Lat

VI. Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D).

1. In La Tomatina, people get to throw tomatoes at _____.
   A. together B. once C. themselves D. each other
2. Which do you think are _____ festivals?
   A. music B. harvester C. artistic D. season
3. A lot of dancers go to Rio de Janeiro to _____ the Rio Carnival.
   A. follow B. take C. attend D. play
4. Villagers voluntarily contribute money and other things to _____ the festival.
   A. remember B. celebrate C. set D. open
5. La Tomatina _____ on the last Wednesday of August every year.
   A. hold B. held C. is held D. be held
6. The festival _____ every year at the end of August.
   A. occur B. takes place C. takes D. held
7. The biggest prize of the Cannes Film Festival is the Palme d'Or, which is given _____ the best film.
   A. with B. to C. of D. for
8. People in Cannes take the Cannes Film Festival _____ a very serious way.
   A. at B. in C. on D. with
9. The Samba Parade in Rio Carnival has thousands of samba _____ from various samba schools.
   A. performance B. perform C. performer D. performers
10. The Elephant Race Festival in Dak Lak is a race between elephants that are ridden by their _____.

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A. own B. owners C. owner D. owning

11. The _____ of the Rio Carnival is the Samba Parade.
    A. best B. highlight C. importance D. performance
12. Everybody has gone to the _____ festival.
    A. music B. musical C. musician D. musicians
13. 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
14. La Tomatina is a _____ festival to celebrate the tomato harvest.
    A. year B. seasonal C. season D. annually
15. People put pumpkin _____ outside the homes during Halloween.
    A. lights B. lanterns C. neon signs D. bulbs
16. It is _____ to see elephants racing in the Elephant Race Festival in Dak Lak.
    A. amaze B. amazing C. amazed D. amazement
17. A lot of cultural and _____ activities are held as part of the Flower Festival in Da Lat.
    A. art B. artist C. artistic D. arts
18. The _____ atmosphere is felt around all the villages.
    A. tradition B. festival C. festive D. air
19. People of _____ minorities in Phu Yen celebrate Hoi Mua Festival every March.
    A. ethnic B. local C. native D. village
20. Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Light, is the _____ holiday of the year in India.
    A. more important C. most important
    B. importance D. most importance

VII. Fill each blank in the following sentences with a word from the box.

colorful	considered	traditionally	lantern	superstition
decorating	society	canals	attractions	holiday

1. India was an agricultural _____ where people would seek the divine blessing of Lakshmi, the Goddess of Wealth.
2. During the Carnival of Venice, the _____ are full of colorful boats.
3. Diwali is India's biggest and most important _____ of the year.

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4. The number of _____ in Da Lat is increasing.
5. _____, the festival also marked the end of harvest, and parents who had been hard at work in the fields enjoyed spending extra time with their children.
6. The Carnival in Rio de Janeiro is a world famous festival and _____ the biggest carnival in the world with 2 million people per day on the streets.
7. Chinese New Year ends with a _____ festival.
8. The children wear _____ masks and dance in the streets with star lanterns that are illuminated by candles.
9. Halloween has always been a holiday filled with mystery, magic and _____.
10. Every year, in Harbin Ice and Snow Festival people build incredible things out of ice and snow, _____ them with lights and lasers.

VIII. Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

1. Street are decorated with _____ lights and red banners. (colour)
2. There are many _____ differences between the two communities. (culture)
3. She gave a wonderful _____ as the Iron Lady – the former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. (perform)
4. There were lively New Year _____ all over the town. (celebrate)
5. When we heard she'd got the job, we all went off for a _____ drink. (celebrate)
6. It is _____ in America to eat turkey on Thanksgiving Day. (tradition)
7. What forms of _____ do you participate in during the festival? (entertain)
8. The hall looked very _____ with its Christmas tree. (festival)
9. Her eyes were wide with _____ when she heard the news. (excite)
10. The Chinese New Year marks the _____ of spring and the start of the Lunar New Year. (begin)

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

according	are	numbers	as
enjoy	by	ones	rises

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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 them the moon shines brightest on the night of the Moon Cake Festivals. As the moon (8) _____, table are placed outside the house and women make offerings of fruit and moon cakes to the Moon Goddess.

X. Make questions for the underlined parts, using the question words in brackets.

1. In 201, 51,515 people attended Burning Man. (How many)
   ✎ .....
2. Some youngsters accidentally knocked over one of the giants. (What)
   ✎ .....
3. The highlight of the festival is the tomato fight. (What)
   ✎ .....
4. La Tomatina dates back to 1945 when an annual parade of enormous figures with big heads was passing through the streets of Bunyol. (When)
   ✎ .....
5. La Tomatina in Bunol near Valencia happens every year. (How often)
   ✎ .....
6. La Tomatina takes place on the last Wednesday in August. (When)
   ✎ .....
7. The festival began in San Francisco's Baker Beach in 1986. (When; Where)
   ✎ .....
8. It takes its name from the ritual burning of a large wooden model of a hated person. (What)
   ✎ .....
9. Burning Man lasts one week. (How long)
   ✎ .....
10. The event begins on the last Monday in August, and ends on the first Monday in September. (When)
    ✎ .....

XI. Make up sentences using the words and phrases given.

1. People / love / festival / because of / advantages / they / bring / about.
   ✎ .....
2. Festivals / good / for / community.

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