

Practice

1. Read each definition and write the correct key words from the reading "Make a wish":

A square of cotton or other finely woven material.	To cook in the oven.	A cultivates plant that is grown as food.
To turn candles off by expelling air through your mouth.	The development of events beyond a person's control, regards as determined by a supernatural power.	Something particular, special, unusual.
The part of a plant you can plant to get another plant.	A small, rapidly moving meteor burning up on entering the Earth's atmosphere.	Crop – shooting star – peculiar – bake – seed – handkerchief – blow out – fate

2. Choose the countries according to the traditions:

Eating grapes.

Wishing on a star.

Breaking a wishbone.

Carrying a suitcase around the block.

Burning a wish.

Blowing dandelion seeds.



3. Complete the following chart with the required information about the reading:

Section	Main Idea
1- Common Traditions Around the World	
2- Origins of Popular Wishes	
3- New Year's Wishes	

4. Answer the following questions about the reading:

- a. Who was Ptolemy?
- b. What are dandelions?
- c. Where can you find wishbones?
- d. What did the candles on the cakes represent for people back in the ancient Greek?
- e. Who are ladybugs related to?
- f. What is a way in which you can wish for a year of travel and adventure?
- g. What is a tradition for Russians on New Year's Eve?
- h. What are two peculiar ways that people in your country use to make a wish?

