

## Vocabulary

1. Match the words with the definitions. Drag the halves to make appropriate sentences.

1. cardboard _____	a. a long plastic or metal cylinder that often contains liquids
2. glass _____	b. a material that is like very thick, hard paper
3. jar _____	c. a material that comes from animal skin
4. leather _____	d. a container or cover for protecting or storing things
5. box _____	e. a flexible material that comes from a tree
6. case _____	f. an often square or rectangular container with hard sides
7. rubber _____	g. a hard, transparent material
8. silk _____	h. a closed metal container in which food or liquid is sold
9. tube _____	i. a container made of glass or clay that is usually used for storing food
10. can _____	j. a delicate fiber that is made by worms

2. Choose the correct options.

1. All the dancers were wearing special \_\_\_\_\_.

- a** fair
- b** costumes
- c** decorations

2. Each group had a different theme. They rode and danced on \_\_\_\_\_.

- a** fireworks
- b** program
- c** floats

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ passed through all the main areas downtown.

- a** parade
- b** ceremony
- c** firework

4. At the \_\_\_\_\_, the children went on all the rides!

- a** atmosphere
- b** stall
- c** fair

5. The little paper \_\_\_\_\_ looked pretty at night.

- a** ceremony
- b** lanterns
- c** crowd

6. According to the program, the night ends with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a** ceremony
- b** fireworks
- c** atmosphere

7. This year's \_\_\_\_\_ were the best ever! The lanterns were specially beautiful.

- a** decorations
- b** costumes
- c** stalls

8. All along the road, there were \_\_\_\_\_ selling food, drinks, and souvenirs.

- a** fair
- b** stalls
- c** parade

9. The opening \_\_\_\_\_ was amazing. There were dancers, singers, and acrobats.

- a** costume
- b** decoration
- c** ceremony

10. I've never seen so many people in one place. It was a huge \_\_\_\_\_.

- a** crowd
- b** costume
- c** stall

### 3. Swap the words in bold in the text. Drag the words to the appropriate gap.

I went to Chicago last March to see a friend. A lot of Irish people live in the city and on the 17th, the city celebrates St. Patrick's Day. People dress in green <sup>1</sup>**stage** (\_\_\_\_\_), and they even turn the huge river in Chicago green!

The highlight is the big <sup>2</sup>**venue** (\_\_\_\_\_), with people marching, playing music, and sitting on <sup>3</sup>**parade** (\_\_\_\_\_), which go right through the center of the city. In the evening, there are bands playing on a <sup>4</sup>**costumes** (\_\_\_\_\_ ) downtown, which makes a fantastic <sup>5</sup>**floats** (\_\_\_\_\_ ) for a rock concert. It's incredible!

### Grammar

### 4. Complete the text with the correct option.

Have you ever wondered how recycled glass <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ ? First, the old bottles and jars <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ from recycling bins. They <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to a recycling plant. The colored glass <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ together; it <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ by color. The glass is then melted and made into glasses, bottles, and jars. These go to stores, where we buy them.

**5. Match the beginnings with the endings to make sentences, connecting the halves with a line to make appropriate sentences. Then complete them with the past perfect form of the verbs in parentheses.**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (make) some sandwiches before we left, \_\_\_\_\_

a. so we didn't get hungry on the trip.

2. She didn't come to see the play with me, \_\_\_\_\_

b. so we went to sleep as soon as we arrived.

3. The teacher was angry with me \_\_\_\_\_

c. but her brother \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to a lot of them.

4. She didn't go on the school trip to Boston \_\_\_\_\_

d. because I \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) my homework.

5. We were very hungry when we got home from school \_\_\_\_\_

e. so we were pleased that Dad \_\_\_\_\_ (make) dinner for us.

6. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not find) out a lot about New York before I went there, \_\_\_\_\_

f. because she \_\_\_\_\_ (promise) to go to the theater with someone else.

7. They \_\_\_\_\_ (put) the tent up before we got there, \_\_\_\_\_

g. because she \_\_\_\_\_ (already go) there with her family.

8. It was Ana's first festival, \_\_\_\_\_

h. but I learned a lot while I was there.

**6. Choose the correct option to complete each gap.**

Suzie's going to London the day after tomorrow. She told me she <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ looking forward to it all month and that she <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ about anything else. She said she <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to meet a friend there. She told me <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ her ticket for the tour of the British Museum and she and her friend <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to visit Borough Market. It was her first time in the UK. I hope she has a nice time.

**7. Complete the text with the simple past or past perfect form of the verbs in parentheses.**

We were the headliners at a local music festival last week and we almost didn't make it. We were driving there when our car <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (break down). It

2 \_\_\_\_\_ (run) out of gas. Our band member Daisy 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) to fill it up the day before. We 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (call) Daisy's father, and he 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (come) and gave us a ride. When we arrived at the venue, we 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a pass to get in. It was my fault. I 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) it in the car that we 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (start) the trip in, which was still on the side of the road. Luckily, the man at the gate 9 \_\_\_\_\_ (know) us and let us in. Finally, we 10 \_\_\_\_\_ (get) on stage just as the supporting act was finishing their encore.

### Listening

**8. Listen to a game show. Drag the events in the order they discussed them in the conversation.**

- a the container of the product
- b Ancient Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans
- c the ingredients that were used in the product
- d a product that you don't use in the kitchen
- e a product that a lot of people use

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_

### Reading

**9. Read the text. Answer *True*, *False*, or *Doesn't say*. (two points each)**

#### **The Origins of a Modern Day Festival**

Once upon a time, the people of China had lived in peace and harmony for many years – until one New Year's Eve, a monster named Nian (which in modern Chinese means “year”) came from the ocean. It looked like a bull with the head of a lion and had a huge mouth that swallowed several people in one bite. People screamed in terror and tried to run away.

An old man, who was actually an immortal god in disguise, came to the rescue of the frightened people. He had seen their great fear and had taken pity on them. “Nian is afraid of the color red,” he told them, “so put red paper decorations on your windows and doors.” He also revealed that the monster was afraid of noise, and so they should make as much noise as possible. And finally, he instructed them to light fires, because the creature was terrified of fire. If they did this, they would scare Nian away. “Do this every New Year, in case Nian returns,” he declared. After he had given them his words of advice, he ran after the beast, jumped on its back, and rode away.

To this day, the people of China put up red paper, light fireworks, and hang lanterns on New Year's Eve. There is usually a parade with a large crowd of people making lots of noise and enjoying the festival atmosphere. The Chinese New Year does not always fall on the same date each year, although it is always in January or February. It's an important celebration all

over the world, and there are similar celebrations in Japan, Korea, and Vietnam.

1. In modern Chinese, Nian means “monster.” \_\_\_\_\_
2. A god, disguised as an old man, rescued the people. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The old man told the people that Nian was afraid of water. \_\_\_\_\_
4. After he had warned the people, the old man rode the beast back to its home. \_\_\_\_\_
5. New Year in China is always on the same date. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Writing**

**10. Match the beginnings with the endings to make sentences. Drag the halves to match the correct option.**

1. These shoes are great _____	a. think they are fantastic.
2. The shoes look _____	b. they have lights on them.
3. What I like about them is _____	c. out that the battery doesn't last long.
4. However, I should point _____	d. for people who go jogging at night.
5. Overall, I _____	e. like normal shoes.