Vocabulary II questions : Celebration of the Ethiopian New Year

1. What does the word "traditions" most likely mean in the passage?

A) Modern lifestyles
B) Old customs and practices
C) Expensive products
D) Government rules

2. What is the meaning of "ceremonial"?

A) Funny and silly
B) Unplanned
C) Related to formal celebrations
D) Unusual or rare

3. The word “festivities” refers to:

A) School programs
B) Food shortages
C) Joyful celebrations or events
D) Religious fasts

4. What does "nationwide" mean in the sentence "celebrated nationwide"?

A) Inside one city
B) In rural villages only
C) All across the country
D) Between families

5. What is the meaning of “slaughter” in the context of the passage?

A) Train animals
B) Feed animals
C) Kill animals for food
D) Buy animals for a pet

6. Which of the following best defines “furnish” as used in the passage?

A) Paint walls
B) Decorate with flowers
C) Fill with furniture and equipment
D) Fix broken items

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7. What are “utensils”?

A) Decorations for homes

B) Cooking tools

C) Spices and Flavors

D) Clothing items

8. What does “ingredients” refer to in cooking?

A) People who cook

B) Tools used in the kitchen

C) Foods mixed to make a dish

D) Rooms in a house

9. In the passage, “Eve” most likely means:

A) Night after the celebration

B) Morning after the event

C) Day before the holiday

D) Middle of the week

10. What does the word “symbolise” mean?

A) Destroy or break

B) Show or represent something

C) Change in size

D) Hide from others

11. The word “ushering” in the sentence “ushering in the New Year” means:

A) Ending something

B) Pushing something away

C) Leading or bringing in

D) Ignoring the event

12. What does “significant” mean in “food has a significant place”?

A) Unnecessary

B) Important or meaningful

C) Temporary

D) Common and boring

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13. What does “typical” mean in “typical Ethiopian dishes”?

A) Strange or unknown

B) Rare or special

C) Usual or normal

D) Expensive

14. What does “gradually” mean in “gradually being replaced”?

A) Quickly

B) With great force

C) All of a sudden

D) Slowly over time

15. What does “revolve around” mean in “celebration may last for a week and revolve around family gatherings”?

A) Travel far away

B) Spin in circles

C) Be mainly focused on

D) Argue about

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