Unit 1 Exercises

1. **Match the words with the correct definitions. Write the correct letter (a–j) in the ☐ .**

1. ☐ culture
2. ☐ ways of life
3. ☐ wisdom
4. ☐ intangible cultural heritage
5. ☐ etiquette
6. ☐ tradition
7. ☐ ritual
8. ☐ indigenous
9. ☐ craftsmanship
10. ☐ ancestor

a. A repeated ceremony or action, often related to religion or beliefs
b. Knowledge and skills developed over a long time and passed down
c. A custom or practice passed from generation to generation
d. A person in your family who lived a long time ago
e. The behaviors and daily lifestyle of a group of people
f. Good manners and polite behavior in social situations
g. The way a group lives, thinks, believes, and behaves as a society
h. Skills in making things by hand with high quality and beauty
i. Existing naturally in a place; belonging to the original people
j. Traditions, skills, and expressions that cannot be touched physically, but are passed on

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2. Complete each sentence with the correct form of the word in brackets.

1. Thai _____ (culture) is influenced by Buddhism and respect for elders.
2. Local _____ (wise) such as herbal medicine is important for the community.
3. Different regions of Thailand have different_____ (tradition).
4. The Loy Krathong Festival is a beautiful cultural _____ (express).
5. Rice farmers use their _____ (know) and experience to manage water.

3. Read the text summary (adapted from the unit) and answer the questions.

In Thai, the word "wattanatham" (culture) comes from two words: "wattana" which means growth and prosperity, and "tham" which refers to action or practice. So, culture means the actions that lead to growth. According to the National Culture Act, culture includes ways of life, thoughts, beliefs, values, norms, customs, rituals and wisdom that are created, learned, improved, and passed on peacefully and sustainably.

Ways of life refers to Thai people's lifestyle from birth to death, including the four requisites: shelter, food, clothing and medicine, as well as social knowledge and behavior.

Wisdom is knowledge and skills developed over time through thinking, selection, improvement, and transfer. Thai wisdom is outstanding in many areas, such as agriculture, arts, literature and language.

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3.1 Write T (True), F (False), or NG (Not Given).

_____1. "Wattanatham" is a Thai word which means "growth and action".

_____2. Culture includes only religious beliefs.

_____3. Ways of life include what people eat, wear, and where they live.

_____4. Thai wisdom is only about traditional medicine.

_____5. Culture is passed from generation to generation.

3.2 Answer the questions below.

1. According to the text, what does the word "culture" include?

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2. What are the four requisites in Thai ways of life?

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3. How is wisdom developed?

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4. Give two examples of areas where Thai wisdom is outstanding.

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4. Match the description to the name. Write the correct letter (a–f) in the ☐ .

1. ☐ Folk literature and language
2. ☐ Performing arts
3. ☐ Social practices, rituals, traditions and festive events
4. ☐ Knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe
5. ☐ Traditional craftsmanship
6. ☐ Indigenous games, indigenous sports and martial arts

Descriptions

a. Games, sports and fighting skills such as Thai boxing and traditional games
b. Oral and written stories, songs, poetry, and ways of speaking
c. Religious days, life-cycle traditions, etiquette and festivals
d. Dance, music, drama and stage performances
e. Skills in making things by hand that show local identity
f. Knowledge about food, medicine, astrology, astronomy and natural resources

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