Exercise 2. Complete the following passage with the correct form of the words in the box. There are TWO extra words.

Word box:

ancestor – ancient – celebrate – community – custom – deep-rooted – valuable – traditional – pride – benefit – appear – associate

Vietnam has a rich cultural heritage with many interesting (1) _____ and traditions. Some of them have been passed down from generation to generation and remain an important part of Vietnamese life.

One of the most important practices is ancestor worship. Vietnamese people often prepare special meals and make offerings to show their respect for their (2) _____. This practice is closely (3) _____ with family values and the belief that people should remember those who came before them.

Traditional festivals are also an essential part of Vietnamese culture. For example, the Mid-Autumn Festival is widely (4) _____ in many parts of the country. Children carry colourful lanterns, watch lion dances and enjoy mooncakes with their families. In some mountainous areas, people organise the Harvest Festival to express their gratitude for a successful farming season.

Traditional food is another (5) _____ aspect of Vietnamese culture. Five-coloured sticky rice, for example, is not only delicious but also has cultural meaning. Its colours represent different elements of nature and reflect the local people's beliefs.

Today, many young people are becoming more interested in their cultural heritage. They visit (6) _____ sites, take part in traditional games and learn about local crafts. Some villages have opened weaving and craft (7) _____ to introduce traditional skills to visitors.

These activities bring many (8) _____ to local communities. They help preserve cultural identity, create jobs and encourage tourism. More importantly, they allow younger generations to take (9) _____ in their traditions and understand the importance of protecting them.

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