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Read the following passage and choose the best answer for each item.

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Songkran Festival

Songkran is a Thai traditional New Year which starts on April ๑๓ every year and lasts for ๓ days. Songkran festival on April ๑๓ is Maha Songkran Day, April ๑๔ is Wan Nao which is the day after and April ๑๕ is Wan Thaloeng Sok which the New Year begins. Songkran means “movement” or “changing” since according to Thai astrology, the sun will move into a new sign of the Zodiac on this day.

Songkran is also called the “Water Festival”. Water is believed to wash away all bad **things**.

Thus, it is a time for cleaning; houses, villages, temples and spirit houses. In the Thai tradition,

the New Year begins early in the morning when people give **food** to monks. After that, they let caged animals free, especially birds and fish.

Elders and parents will be visited and respected by their children and grandchildren. The young pour perfumed water over their elder’s hands, they in return, wish them good health, happiness and **riches**.

This is called “Rod Nam Dam Hua”.

April ๑๔ is called “Family Day”. In the afternoon, people sprinkle perfumed water on Buddha images. After that, they sprinkle perfumed water on, or throw clean, cold water over each other. Songkran is very exciting in the North, especially in Chiang Mai.

A lot of people will go to Chiang Mai and join in the festivals there. There are a Miss Songkran Beauty Contest and a long and beautiful parade. In Bangkok, the Buddha image “Buddhasihing” is brought out from the National Museum for people to **sprinkle** perfumed water at Sanam Luang, opposite the Grand Palace. Anyone who goes out on the street is likely to get wet. People believe that water will wash away bad luck, and **splashing** water over friends or anyone will give them a New Year **blessing**.

ที่มา <http://school.obec.go.th/nongplamowit/songkran๑.html>

Vocabulary words

traditional (adj.)

ประเพณี

Zodiac (n.)

ราศี

astrology (n.)

โหราศาสตร์

sprinkle (v.)

ประพรม, รดน้ำ

๑. Songkran is a Thai.....
 - a. Kids day
 - b. New Year
 - c. National Day
 - d. Parents day
๒. When is Songkran ?
 - a. It's on August ๑๒.
 - b. It's on February ๑๔.
 - c. It's on the first of January.
 - d. It's on April ๑๓ to April ๑๕.
๓. How long does the festival last ?
 - a. ๑ day
 - b. ๒ days
 - c. ๓ days
 - d. ๔ days
๔. What do people do on Songkran day ?
 - a. They kill birds and fish for food.
 - b. They give presents to each other.
 - c. They say sorry for making river dirty.
 - d. They go to the temple and give food to monks.
๕. What word is similar to "wet" ?
 - a. dry
 - b. hot
 - c. rain
 - d. soak

Elders and parents will be visited and respected by their children and grandchildren. The young pour perfumed water over their elder's hands, they in return, wish them good health, happiness and **riches**.

၁၆. What is the best topic ?

- a. To respect the elders
- b. To clean elders' hands
- c. To splash water over elders
- d. To sprinkle perfumed water on the elders

၁၇. Why do people splash water over other people ?

- a. To clean their body
- b. To wash away their good luck
- c. To give them a New Year blessing
- d. To say sorry for not taking care of them

၁၈. Which is **True** about Songkran festival ?

- a. Songkran is only held in Chiang Mai.
- b. Monks give food to the elders in Songkran festival.
- d. Anyone who goes out on the street will be wet.
- c. People splash water over sick people to wash away their

illness.

၁၉. Which is **Not True** about Songkran festival ?

- a. April ၁၃ is called the “ Elders Day ”.
- b. People let birds and fish free on Songkran day.
- c. Songkran festival in Chiang Mai is very popular.
- d. The Buddha image “ Buddhasihing ” is brought out for people

to sprinkle.

၂၀. What does “elder” in line ၁၀ mean ?

- a. babies
- b. teenagers
- c. old people
- d. young people

Thai Food

The main food in Thailand is rice. Everyone eat it. But we can't really eat rice alone so we have to have something to go with it. There are many dishes of food to go with rice. Most of them are hot and spicy.

Thai people are used to eating rice with their meal. Most Thai people can't have sandwiches for their meal. They call sandwiches a snack. Thai people usually eat when they are hungry, especially kids and teenagers. If you know some Thai person, you might hear them say "Gin Khao Yung" every time you meet them. It means "Have you eaten yet?"

In Thailand, we have ๓ meals like in other countries. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are the main meals but Thai people like to have snacks between meals. A lot of snacks. We eat our meals with a spoon and fork or sometimes with chopsticks if we have noodles. All food is cut up when it is cooked so we don't need to use a knife!

In my family, we don't really cook meals ourselves. We often eat takeaway food which we bring back to the house. But if we cook ourselves, my dad will be the cook, he cooks better than my mum. We do not always have our meals together because we are not often home. I always go back home late after. On those days I usually eat at a roadside noodle stall. If I go back home early, we will eat dinner together in front of the TV. Most meals we eat are rice with meat and vegetables or noodles. Lunch and dinner are about the same but lunch usually has one dish but dinner have three or four dishes to share. It is not polite to put all food on your plate in one go. You just take a spoon full at a time. This is good when we go out to a restaurant. We can try many different dishes.

ที่มา <http://www.thailandlife.com/thai-food/>

Vocabulary words

roadside (n.)

ข้างทาง

stall (n.)

แผงลอย

๑๑. What is the main food in Thailand?

- a. Rice
- b. Pizza
- c. Bread
- d. Noodle

၁၂. What does most Thai food taste like ?
- a. Hot and spicy
 - b. Sour and spicy
 - c. Spicy and salty
 - d. Sweet and salty
၁၃. How many main meals are there in a day in Thailand ?
- a. ၂ meals
 - b. ၃ meals
 - c. ၄ meals
 - d. ၅ meals
၁၄. According to ၁၃ what are they ?
- a. Brunch and dinner
 - b. Breakfast, lunch and dinner
 - c. Breakfast, second breakfast, lunch and dinner
 - d. Breakfast, second breakfast, lunch, supper and dinner
၁၅. In the passage, who cooks food ?
- a. The sister
 - b. The father
 - c. The mother
 - d. The parents
၁၆. What does “ hungry ” in line ၄ mean ?
- a. need to eat
 - b. need to drink
 - c. can't eat
 - d. like to drink

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๑๗. What is the best topic ?
- a. Eating culture in Thailand
 - b. Thais eat with a knife.
 - c. Thai breakfast
 - d. Thais like snacks.
๑๘. What does “ polite ” in line ๑๖ mean ?
- a. spoilt
 - b. gentle
 - c. naughty
 - d. aggressive
๑๙. How do Thai people eat their meals ?
- a. They eat with knife and fork.
 - b. They eat with spoon and fork.
 - c. They eat with knife and spoon.
 - d. They eat with chopsticks and knife.
๒๐. We cut meat with _____.
- a. a fork
 - b. a spoon
 - c. a knife
 - d. chopsticks