Theme 7: Food and Festivals

I. Read the following text. What festivals is it about?

The *Teen* magazine interviewed some teenagers about their favorite festivals. Here are two of their answers.

Hi, I'm Juan. La Tomatina is celebrated in the town of Bunol near Valencia in Spain. It's my favorite festival. It's organized on the last Wednesday of August. Thousands of people join this festival every year. It's the most famous food fight in Europe. Old clothes and closed shoes are worn for this fight. In addition, goggles are put on. And then the food fight starts with a signal. Tomatoes are thrown to each other. It lasts for only an hour. Of course, there are some rules. You mustn't enter the festival area with bottles or hard objects as you may cause harm. Moreover, you mustn't tear others' clothes. You should also squash the tomatoes before you throw them. In this way, the hit will be less painful. And you should stop when you hear the second signal. In the end, the streets are cleaned by fire engines. The atmosphere is terrific. The festival is fantastic.





Hello! I'm Eva. I love Chocolate Festival. It's held in Amsterdam, the capital city of the Netherlands every October. It's one of the sweetest events in Europe. Over 700 different flavors of chocolate can be tasted there. I find this fascinating. It's a two-day festival. You can meet chocolate experts from many different countries as well as the Netherlands. They teach you all about chocolate. You can learn the process of making chocolate from bean to bar. The festival organizers don't forget children. They can create masterpieces of art with chocolate. They can also join entertaining activities like face painting. What's more, there's live music in the afternoon and evening. You can enjoy yourselves a lot at this festival.





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J. Read the text again and complete the table.

	What festival?	Where?	When?
Juan			
Eva			

K. Read these statements. Then read the text again and tick the correct column for each one.

		YES	NO
1.	People wear new clothes at La Tomatina.		
2.	Bottles and hard objects mustn't be taken to the festival area.		
3.	The tomatoes should be squashed before throwing.		
4.	La Tomatina is a two-day festival.		
5.	You can taste more than 800 different flavors of chocolate at Armsterdam Chocolate Festival.		
6.	The festival lasts for two days.		
7.	You meet only Dutch chocolate experts at the festival.		
8.	Children can join creative activities at the festival.		

L. Work with a different partner. Look at activity J again. Talk about the festivals in turn.

M. Read the paragraph and fill in the gaps with the correct words.

mixed	kept	poured	sprinkled	grated

Do you know how chocolate is made at home? Here's the recipe. First, a cup of cocoa butter is (1) ..... and put into a small, heat-safe bowl. Second, a cup of coconut oil is added. Third, a glass of water is (2) ..... into a shallow pan and heated. Next, the bowl is placed in the pan. You should stir the oil and butter occasionally until smooth. Then a cup of cocoa powder is added and (3) ..... well. After that, some vanilla is (4) ..... . Later, half a cup of honey is poured into the mixture. Check if the chocolate is sweet enough for you. You can also add some dried fruit or nuts. Finally, the mixture is poured into a tray and (5) ..... in the freezer for half an hour. You'll be astonished by how delicious your chocolate is.



N. Work in pairs. Take turns to describe the process of making home-made chocolate.

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