

WORKSHEET 2 - FESTIVAL

Name: _____ Class: _____

WARMING UP

I. Look at the words below. Match each word to its synonym.

Word	Answer	Synonym
1. Tradition	d.	a. Fiesta
2. Culture	f.	b. Audience
3. Parade	e.	c. Cuisine
4. Carnival	a.	d. Practice
5. Dish	c.	e. March
6. Crowd	b.	f. Heritage

II. Complete the sentences with the words below.

celebration ceremony costume feast lanterns

- Everyone wore a traditional _____ during the festival.
(costume)
- The family prepared a delicious _____ after the ceremony. (feast)
- Hundreds of colourful _____ decorated the streets.
(lanterns)
- The opening _____ began with a traditional dance.
(ceremony)

- The New Year _____ lasted for three days.

(celebration)

III. Categorize the words below into positive & negative words.

joyful	noisy	disappointing	peaceful	grateful
cheerful	polluted	united	stressful	crowded

Positive	Negative

IV. Choose the correct word.

- Everyone was smiling and dancing. The festival was *fun* / *boring*.
- There were so many people at the parade. It was *crowded* / *empty*.
- The drummer was very *loud* / *quiet*, so everyone could hear the music.
- The masks at the carnival looked *creative* / *ordinary*.
- The lanterns looked *bright* / *dark* at night.

READING

A. Read the text below carefully & answer the following questions in section I & II



Enjoying the Gion Matsuri

The Gion Matsuri is one of the most famous festivals in Japan. It takes place every July in Kyoto and attracts thousands of visitors from around the world. People come to watch the large traditional floats, enjoy delicious Japanese food, and learn more about Japanese culture. Many local people wear colourful yukata during the festival, adding to its lively atmosphere.

The festival also includes traditional music, cultural performances, and a parade through the streets of Kyoto. Visitors often take photographs of the beautifully decorated floats and buy colourful masks, toys, and local snacks from the festival stalls. Many families and tourists enjoy spending the day together while experiencing this important cultural celebration.

For many people, the Gion Matsuri is a special event because it brings the community together and helps preserve Japanese traditions. It is an exciting opportunity to enjoy local customs, meet new people, and experience one of Japan's most famous festivals.

I. Answer the following questions based on the text above.

1. What is the main idea of the text?

Answer: _____

Gion Matsuri, one of Japan's most famous festivals, and explains its activities, cultural importance, and significance.

2. Why is the Gion Matsuri one of the most famous festivals in Japan?

Answer: _____

It is one of the most famous festivals because it attracts thousands of visitors every July and offers traditional floats, cultural performances, Japanese food, and local customs.

3. What activities can visitors enjoy during the Gion Matsuri?

Answer: _____

Visitors can watch the traditional floats and parade, enjoy Japanese food, listen to traditional music, watch cultural

performances, take photographs, and buy masks, toys, and local snacks.

4. How does the Gion Matsuri help preserve Japanese culture and traditions?

Answer:

It helps preserve Japanese culture by showing traditional music, performances, floats, yukata, and local customs to visitors.

5. What can people learn from attending traditional festivals such as the Gion Matsuri?

Answer:

People can learn to respect different cultures, appreciate traditions, and enjoy spending time with others in the community.

II. Write T (True) or F (False). Correct the *False* statements.

1. ____ The Gion Matsuri is celebrated every July in Kyoto. (T)
2. ____ The festival is attended only by local residents. (F)
3. ____ Visitors are watching decorated floats during the festival. (T)
4. ____ Yuki is buying souvenirs with her grandmother. (F)

5. ____ The customers leave immediately because the queue is too long. (F)

B. Read the text below & answer the following questions in section III & IV.



The Glastonbury Festival

Every summer, thousands of people travel to Worthy Farm in Somerset, England, to attend the famous Glastonbury Festival. It is one of the biggest and most popular music and performing arts festivals in the world. Since it began in 1970, the festival has attracted visitors from many different countries and has become an important cultural event. It has featured many famous musicians, dancers, comedians, and artists over the years.

The festival is popular for its famous Pyramid Stage, where many international artists perform. Visitors usually camp at the festival site, listen to live music, enjoy local food, and take part in art and cultural activities. Many people have described Glastonbury as more than just a music festival because it also celebrates creativity, friendship, and cultural diversity.

For many music lovers, the Glastonbury Festival is a special event that they hope to visit at least once in their lives. It has become one of the world's greatest cultural festivals and continues to bring people together through music, art, and shared experiences.

III. Choose the word from the text that has the closest meaning to each word below.

1. Well-known = _____ **famous, popular**
2. Large = _____ **biggest**
3. Essential = _____ **important**
4. Native = _____ **local**
5. Visit = _____ **attend**

IV. Generic Structure of Narrative Text

Orientation : **Paragraph 1**

Thousands of people visit Worthy Farm in Somerset, England every summer for watching Glastonbury festival, one of the largest & most popular music & performing arts festival in the world.

Events : **Paragraph 2**

The festival is famous for its Pyramid Stage, where many international artists perform. Visitors can camp, enjoy live music, try local food, and join art activities. The festival also promotes creativity, friendship, and respect for different cultures.

Reorientation : **Paragraph 3**

The Glastonbury Festival is a dream destination for many music lovers. It is one of the world's biggest cultural festivals and brings people together through music and art.

C. Read the text below & answer the following questions in section IV & V.



The Songkran Festival

Every year, Thailand celebrates Songkran, the traditional Thai New Year, from 13 to 15 April. The festival is one of the country's most important cultural celebrations and attracts both local people and tourists.

The celebration usually begins with religious activities. In the morning, many families visit Buddhist temples to make merit, offer food to monks, and pray for good fortune. They also pour scented water over the hands of parents and grandparents as a sign of respect and to ask for blessings.

Later in the day, people gather in streets and public places to celebrate by splashing water on one another. This tradition symbolizes washing away bad luck and welcoming a fresh start in the new year. Children and adults enjoy using water guns, buckets, and hoses while sharing laughter and happiness.

Today, Songkran is celebrated throughout Thailand and has become famous around the world. Although it is well known for its exciting water fights, the festival also reminds people to respect their elders, strengthen family relationships, and begin the new year with kindness and gratitude.

V. Answer the questions using your own words.

1. Why do you think respecting elders is an important part of Songkran?

Answer: _____

Respecting elders is an important value in Thai culture.

2. What cultural values can you learn from the Songkran festival?

Answer: _____

Respect, gratitude, family unity, and kindness.

3. Besides having fun, what is the real purpose of the water-splashing tradition?

Answer: _____

It symbolizes washing away bad luck and welcoming a new beginning.

4. Why do many tourists want to join the Songkran Festival?

Answer: _____

Many tourists want to join Songkran because it is unique, enjoyable, and introduces Thai culture.

5. What lesson from Songkran can you apply in your daily life?

Answer: _____

We should respect older people, value our traditions, and be kind to others.

VI. Complete the table based on the information from the text.

Information	Answer
Main character(s)	Thai people, families, & tourists
Setting (Place, Time)	Thailand, 13-15 April
Important events	Visiting temples, honouring elders, & splashing water
Moral message	Respect elders, strengthen family relationships & be grateful
Cultural meaning	Songkran celebrates Thai New Year while preserving Thai traditions & values

STRUCTURE – TENSE

I. Read the sentences and decide whether they talk about:

A. A finished action in the past **B.** An experience

Sentence	Answer
I visited the Lantern Festival last year.	A.
I have visited many festivals.	B.
We watched a parade yesterday.	A.
She has never seen a dragon dance.	B.

They bought souvenirs last weekend.	A.
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SIMPLE PAST VS PRESENT PERFECT TENSE

	SIMPLE PAST	PRESENT PERFECT
Function	Actions that <i>finished</i> in the past	- Experiences in life - Actions happened in the past but still <i>important</i> - Actions started in the past & <i>still continue</i>
Positive	Subject + Verb 2 + Object	Subject + Has/Have + Verb 3 + Object
Negative	Subject + did not (didn't) + Verb 1 + Object	Subject + Has/Have not (Hasn't/Haven't) + Verb 3 + Object
Question	Did + Subject + Verb 1 + Object?	Has/Have + Subject + Verb 3 + Object?
Time	Specific time Example: - Yesterday - Last week/month/year - Ago - In 2019 - This morning (if finished)	Unspecified time Example: - Already - Just - Yet - Never - Ever - Recently - Since

Example	- I ate salt bread with my mother at the festival yesterday.	- He has never gone to Bali with us.
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II. Put the words in order to make a good sentence then underline the subject and the verb.

1. ever / have / visited / you / the Bali Arts Festival / ?

Have you ever visited the Bali Arts Festival?

2. traditional food / ate / the visitors / during the festival / .

The visitors ate traditional food during the festival.

3. took / many photos / I / at the cultural festival / .

I took many photos at the cultural festival.

4. become / recently / the festival / more popular / has / .

The festival has become more popular recently.

5. last night / admired / everyone / fireworks / .

Everyone admired fireworks last night.

6. go / Lantern festival / you / did / to / last month / ?

Did you go to Lantern festival last month?

III. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. My brother _____ (buy) a festival souvenir last month. **(bought)**

2. I _____ (participate) in the school cultural festival since Grade 8. **(has participated)**

3. He _____ (not/wear) a traditional costume at the festival yesterday. **(didn't wear)**

4. Our teacher _____ (tell) us an interesting story about Eid al-Fitr last Friday. **(told)**

5. They _____ (not/watch) the cultural parade yet. **(haven't watched)**