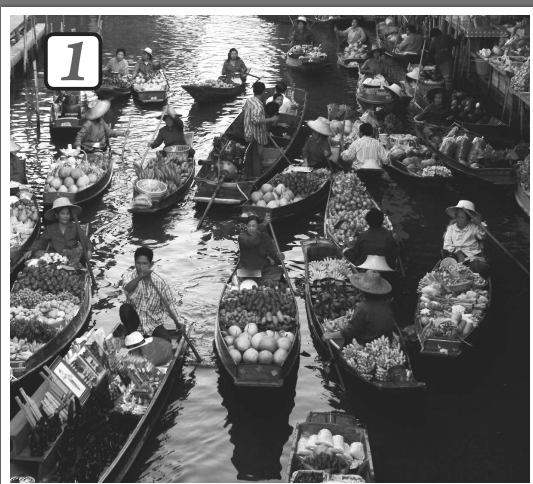




# WORLD FESTIVALS

## GIVE IT A TRY

A Listen and number the pictures.



Listen again. Then number and fill in the blanks.

## Word Box

art of coffee / a festival of love / on a river /  
Music festivals / showcase / perform /  
the festival of colors / decorations /  
vendors / displays and events

- 1 In Thailand, there are many markets.  
One famous market is on a river.  
Boats on the water sell local vegetables  
and fruit.
- 3 In Amsterdam, visitors come to the city  
to learn about the science and art of  
coffee. Local shops showcase  
their excellent coffee and food.
- 4 Music festivals in America have  
different bands come and perform  
on the stage throughout the night.
- 2 People in India celebrate Holi,  
a festival of love during spring.  
It's also called the festival of colors  
because of the many colors used.
- 5 Food fairs are common in many major  
cities around the world. The streets  
will have decorations and small  
booths for vendors.
- 6 During many countries' independence  
days, there are fireworks displays  
and events throughout the entire  
evening.

## SPEAK UP

Answer the questions.

1. What festivals do you celebrate with  
your family and friends?
2. What other festivals do you know  
happen in other countries?
3. What is your favorite festival in your  
country?
4. How do you celebrate your favorite  
festival?
5. Where do people celebrate the biggest  
festivals in your city?

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**B** Listen and look at the picture.  
Choose the best statement. **MP3 / 02**

1. B



2. C



3. B





## Dumb or Dumber?

Karen: Have you read the article from the Saturday supplement?

Ben: You mean **Weird<sup>1</sup>** and Wonderful Festivals of the World? Sure, and I couldn't stop laughing when I read it. Too . . . Ha . . . What impressed you the most?

Karen: The Cheese Rolling Festival! Pretty **dumb<sup>2</sup>**, isn't it? I'd love to **attend<sup>3</sup>** the contest if they turn it into the Golden Coin Rolling Festival.

Ben: You are dreaming, aren't you?

Karen: Come on, why not? By the way, which festival interested you the most?

Ben: The Wife Carrying Competition!

Karen: Why? Can you explain why it attracted your attention?

Ben: I remember that the article mentioned that during the **competition<sup>4</sup>**, if a wife is dropped, 15 seconds will be added to the time record. It also **indicated<sup>5</sup>** that the man might have to deal with an unhappy wife. I thought it was funny.

Karen: Funny? No! Dropped onto the ground, the wives will definitely feel pain and **embarrassment<sup>6</sup>**!



Ben: That's the point. In the competition, the husband tries to show how tough he is, but if he fails, when going back home, his wife will show him how tough she is.

Karen: "An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth<sup>7</sup>."

Ben: Yeah, personally, I think it'd be good to reverse the method. How about Husband Carrying? It might be much funnier.

Karen: Is that possible? I think a husband would be too heavy for a wife to carry.

Ben: That's right, so the wives don't need to carry them. They could just drop them. Then it won't be a competition for married people, it'll be a great time for **revenge<sup>8</sup>**. Ha-ha!

Karen: You're bad, Ben!

## Language Notes

Synonym: ✓

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1. **weird** [waɪd] *adj.*  
*Anthony's Halloween costume is very weird.*
- \* 2. **dumb** [dʌm] *adj.*  
*Gary was dumb enough to run on the ice.*
3. **attend** [əˈtend] *v.*  
*He attended college in Chicago for four years.*
4. **competition** [kəmpeɪtɪʃən] *n.*  
*The coach told his players they could win the competition.*
- \* 5. **indicate** [ˈɪndəˌket] *v.* ✓ *point out*  
*The sound coming from his motorcycle indicated that it needed to be fixed.*
6. **embarrassment** [ɪmˈbærəsmənt] *n.*  
*My teacher read my poem out to the whole class. I almost died of embarrassment.*
7. **An eye for an eye, (and) a tooth for a tooth.** *phr.*  
*A: His wife stole the remote control, so he took her soap opera DVDs.*  
*B: An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth.*
8. **revenge** [rɪˈvɛndʒ] *n.*  
*The baseball team wants to get revenge on the team that beat them before.*

\* Represents GEPT elementary vocabulary

## CONVERSATION REVIEW

Listen and check the correct answer.  MP3 / 04

1. ☒ a. The Burger Eating Competition  
☐ b. The Wife Carrying Competition  
☐ c. The Cheese Rolling Competition
2. ☐ a. He says it's embarrassing.  
☒ b. He thinks it's funny.  
☐ c. He claims that he likes pain.
3. ☐ a. Five seconds will be added to the time record.  
☒ b. Fifteen seconds will be added to the time record.  
☐ c. Twenty-five seconds will be added to the time record.
4. ☐ a. By saying something embarrassing  
☐ b. By leaving the competition for married people  
☒ c. By simply dropping their husbands
5. ☐ a. Karen is interested in the Cheese Rolling Competition.  
☐ b. Karen is interested in the Wife Carrying Competition.  
☒ c. Karen is interested in the Golden Coin Rolling Competition.



## PARTICIPIAL PHRASES

*A participial phrase begins with a present or past participle. We use a present participle with an active voice, while the past participle has both active and passive uses. A participial phrase always functions as an adjective, adding description to the sentence.*

### Present Participle

**Smelling the smoke**, Benjamin ran outside.

→ When Benjamin started smelling the smoke, he ran outside.

Charlie spotted his sister **throwing rocks at the passing cars**.

→ Charlie's sister was throwing rocks at the passing cars when Charlie spotted her.

**Running down the street**, Alan tripped and fell.

→ Alan tripped and fell while he was running down the street.

**Singing very softly**, the girl sang her baby sister to sleep.

→ The girl sang her baby sister to sleep by singing very softly.

### A Fill in the blanks.

- 1 The boy playing (play) in the yard is David.
- 2 Listening (listen) to my music, I started falling asleep.
- 3 The kid wandering (wander) around in the woods went by himself.
- 4 Seeing (see) his mother through the car window, the boy cried.
- 5 Gerald doesn't like the girl throwing (throw) her paper in the classroom.

### B Match.

- |                                     |   |   |                                  |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 When I was at the park, I saw     | • | • | were outside of the room.        |
| 2 The doctors talking to each other | • | • | hasn't eaten lunch yet.          |
| 3 Feeling sick,                     | • | • | Mary started to sing by herself. |
| 4 The girl sitting on the bench     | • | • | the children singing together.   |
| 5 Dancing on the stage,             | • | • | Roger decided to go home.        |

## Past Participle

Dropped onto the ground, the apples got dirty.

→ The apples that had been dropped onto the ground got dirty.

Caught in the middle, Linda tried to escape.

→ Linda who had been caught in the middle tried to escape.

The astronaut chosen to ride on the spaceship to Pluto is afraid of heights.

→ The astronaut who was chosen to ride on the spaceship to Pluto is afraid of heights.

The boys, frightened by the police car's headlights, quickly came down from the school's roof.

→ The boys were frightened by the police car's headlights, so they quickly came down from the school's roof.

**A** Circle the correct word.

- ① The chef, (forgetting/ forgotten ) to bring the eggs, ran back to the supermarket.
- ② (Given/ Giving ) some bread from the old man, the birds continued to fly around him.
- ③ Harry had to clean the juice ( spilling /spilled ) on the table last night.
- ④ Anna and Janet, (winning/ won ) many badminton games, celebrated yesterday afternoon.
- ⑤ (Putting/ Put ) on his helmet, the police officer started the motorcycle.

**B** Rewrite the sentences using participial phrases.

- ① While Frank was reading a book in the library, he quickly fell asleep.

Reading a book in the library, Frank quickly fell asleep.

- ② The first movie that was shown at the movie theater had been very popular.

The first movie shown at the movie theater had been very popular.

- ③ Susan felt very happy when she collected different comics.

Susan felt very happy collecting different comics.

- ④ As soon as Gina saw the car accident on the side of the road, she called the police.

Seeing the car accident on the side of the road, Gina called the police.

- ⑤ The students who were made to wear their uniforms started arguing with the teachers.

The students made to wear their uniforms started arguing with the teachers.



## LISTENING TEST

**I 聽力測驗：看圖辨義** MP3 / 05  
請聽題目及三個選項，選出與圖案最相符的答案。

1. ☒ A

☐ B

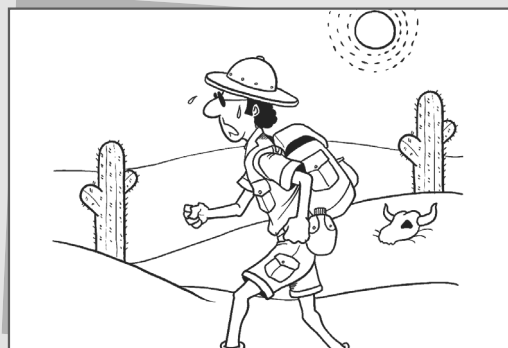
☐ C



3. ☐ A

☐ B

☒ C



2. ☐ A

☒ B

☐ C



4. ☐ A

☐ B

☒ C



**II 聽力測驗：問答** MP3 / 06  
請聽問題，再從三個選項中選出一個最適合的答案。

1.   C      **A** It's on sale, but only today.                      **B** It's for my mother. It's her birthday.  
                 **C** Yes, it smells like roses.
2.   C      **A** What kind of people do you interview?  
                 **B** Well, you are a talented writer.  
                 **C** Wonderful! I've always wanted to compete on TV.
3.   A      **A** Yeah, he acts a little strange sometimes.    **B** Yes, he is young and rich.  
                 **C** True. He does well in school.
4.   C      **A** They are on sale at the supermarket now.  
                 **B** He needs to be brave and ask for one.  
                 **C** He should forget the past and move on.
5.   B      **A** True. He doesn't like to spend a lot of money.  
                 **B** Well, he wants me to admire him.  
                 **C** It's nice of him, but I don't need any.
6.   A      **A** Yes, that is a genuine painting from Picasso.  
                 **B** No, it is not very expensive at all.  
                 **C** Yes, it is a very popular piece of artwork.



## 聽力測驗：簡短對話

MP3 / 07

請聽一段對話和一個相關的問題後，再從三個選項中選出一個最適合的答案。


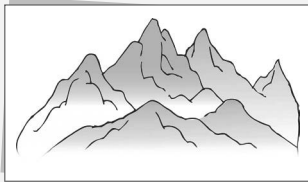



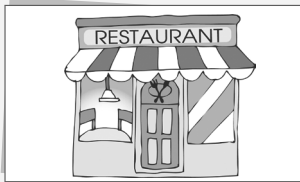






1. B    A It is sweet.    B It is strange.    C It is wonderful.
2. A    A She wants to see people dressed in costumes walking.  
B She wants to see an exciting sporting event.  
C She wants to see a bunch of people arguing.
3. B    A She feels like someone who is very old.  
B She feels like someone who is not from the town.  
C She feels like someone who wants to make changes.
4. B    A The robbers took the safe with them.    B The robbers didn't rob the safe.  
C The robbers damaged the safe.
5. C    A They asked the teacher to cancel class.  
B They handed in their homework on time.  
C They got the teacher wet with water.
6. A    A There is a street festival.    B There is a sports competition.  
C There is a classical concert.



## 聽力測驗：短文聽解

MP3 / 08

每題有三個圖片選項，請聽題目，並選出一個最適當的圖片。

1. ☐ A  ☐ B  ☒ C 
2. ☒ A  ☐ B  ☐ C 
3. ☐ A  ☐ B  ☒ C 
4. ☐ A  ☐ B  ☒ C 



## Weird and Wonderful Festivals of the World



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### Cheese Rolling

Imagine grown men and women rolling large wheels of cheese down a hill and then chasing them. Welcome to the annual Cheese Rolling Festival, held in Gloucestershire, England. This is one of the many festivals around the world that seem **odd**<sup>1</sup> to **outsiders**<sup>2</sup>.

Though they seem strange, the festivals usually keep alive the memory of important events or local traditions.

Gloucestershire is famous for its delicious Double Gloucester cheese. Its Cheese Rolling Festival is hundreds of years old. Some say it goes back to Roman times.

A seven-pound cheese is rolled down a hill and **contestants**<sup>3</sup> chase after it. There are men's and women's races. The first to the bottom of the hill gets to keep the cheese.

### Mass Water Fights

When visiting Thailand in April, you may need a raincoat. The rainy season is still a few months off, but you

will still get wet. This is the time when Thailand celebrates Songkran, the Thai New Year. Songkran is also called the "Water Festival" because people celebrate by throwing water at friends, strangers, and almost everyone.

Songkran is like a huge party, a huge water party. People hold **parades**<sup>4</sup> and cheerfully **splash**<sup>5</sup> one another on the streets. The parades often **turn into**<sup>6</sup> good-natured water fights, where it is impossible to stay dry. Only older people are **spared**<sup>7</sup>; out of respect, family members pour **scented**<sup>8</sup> water only on their hands.

Foreign tourists are favorite targets. They get splashed everywhere they go. But visitors should not worry. This is just a Thai way of saying, "Welcome to our community."

Festivals like these seem strange to outsiders, but nearly every country has them and often loves them for their strangeness. Can you think of any in your country?

## Language Notes

Synonym: ✓

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1. **odd** [ɒd] *adj.* ✓ *strange*  
*People in other countries eat some very odd food.*
2. **outsider** [aʊtˈsaɪdər] *n.*  
*Italian residents don't like to discuss the matter with outsiders.*
3. **contestant** [kənˈtɛstənt] *n.*  
*His mother was a contestant on a TV game show.*
4. **parade** [pəˈred] *n.*  
*Hundreds of people lined up on the street to watch the parade.*
5. **splash** [splæʃ] *v.*  
*He splashed cold water on his face.*
6. **turn into** *phr.*  
*Their quiet evening turned into a party when some unexpected guests arrived.*
7. **spare** [spɛr] *v.*  
*That old house was spared during the typhoon.*
8. **scented** [ˈsɛntɪd] *adj.*  
*She has a variety of scented candles in her apartment.*

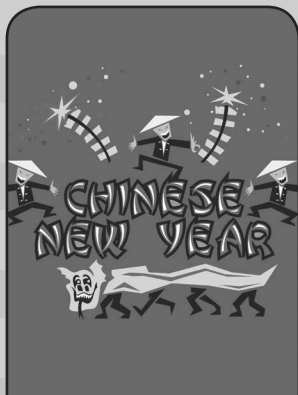
## READING REVIEW

Check the correct answer.

1. Where is Gloucestershire?  
☒ a. In England                      ☐ b. In Thailand  
☐ c. In Rome                              ☐ d. In America
2. According to the article, what do people involved with one festival do?  
☐ a. Sit around and talk about their memories  
☐ b. Celebrate by throwing juice at friends  
☐ c. Take a trip together back to Rome  
☒ d. Run after a rolling piece of cheese
3. When does Songkran take place in Thailand?  
☒ a. In spring                              ☐ b. In summer  
☐ c. In fall                                      ☐ d. In winter
4. Songkran is also called the \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ a. Splash Festival                      ☒ b. Water Festival  
☐ c. Rain Festival                              ☐ d. Fountain Festival
5. Almost everyone gets wet during the festival, but the \_\_\_\_\_ are spared.  
☐ a. kids                                      ☐ b. tourists  
☒ c. elders                                      ☐ d. strangers



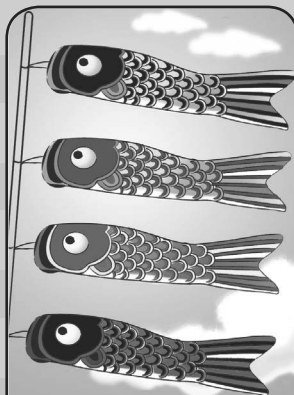
# HOLIDAYS & FESTIVALS



## Chinese New Year

*January or February*

Chinese families get together. People celebrate with fireworks and dragon dances.



## Children's Day

*May 5*

Japanese families honor their children. They put up colorful flags and kites shaped like fish.



## Thanksgiving

*October or November*

In October in Canada and in November in the US, people celebrate the harvest with a big meal. They traditionally have turkey.

## GIVE IT A TRY

Complete the festival map and share it with your classmates.

*Special occasions*

*Halloween, October 31*

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(Answers will vary.)

*Activities*

*We dress up in costumes*

*and go to other people's*

*houses to trick or treat.*

**Festival**

*Special food and drink*

*All kinds of candy*

.....  
.....

*Things we give / get*

*When we go trick or treating, if they give us candy, then we just say thank you and go. If they give us no treats, then it's time to play a trick on them.*



# I 閱讀能力測驗：詞彙與結構

請依照題意選出最適合的答案。

<p><u>A</u> 1. There will be a big ____ today in honor of the king's birthday.</p> <p>Ⓐ parade                      Ⓑ section Ⓒ overpass                    Ⓓ experience</p>	<p><u>C</u> 5. Joe tried to ____ Donna so that she would go out with him.</p> <p>Ⓐ leave                      Ⓑ notice Ⓒ impress                   Ⓓ insist</p>
<p><u>B</u> 2. Everyone has to ____ the staff meeting this afternoon.</p> <p>Ⓐ realize                      Ⓑ attend Ⓒ correct                      Ⓓ pump</p>	<p><u>D</u> 6. Doug decided to get ____ on his big brother for always teasing him.</p> <p>Ⓐ space                      Ⓑ objects Ⓒ results                      Ⓓ revenge</p>
<p><u>D</u> 3. My bank balance ____ that I have less money than I thought I did.</p> <p>Ⓐ confuses                   Ⓑ involves Ⓒ develops                   Ⓓ indicates</p>	<p><u>C</u> 7. My sister entered the horse racing ____ and won first place.</p> <p>Ⓐ ticket                      Ⓑ prize Ⓒ competition               Ⓓ entrance</p>
<p><u>A</u> 4. Matthew really wanted to be a(n) ____ on a game show.</p> <p>Ⓐ contestant                Ⓑ crowd Ⓒ author                      Ⓓ performance</p>	<p><u>C</u> 8. ____ soap always makes a nice gift for someone.</p> <p>Ⓐ Double                      Ⓑ Electric Ⓒ Scented                      Ⓓ Modern</p>

# II 閱讀能力測驗：克漏字填空

請從四個選項中選出一個最適合的字詞填入空格中。

Emily and Joel are talking about a newspaper article about festivals around the world. Some of the festivals are considered ①, while others were thought of as wonderful. Emily thought the Cheese Rolling Festival sounded pretty ②. She said she would attend the contest, though, if they turned it ③ a Golden Coin Rolling Festival. Joel was interested in the Wife Carrying Competition. He thought this competition would be funny, especially when the husbands ④ their wives onto the ground. Emily thought the ⑤ the wives would feel in the contest would not be humorous. Joel suggested that they should hold a Husband Carrying Competition ⑥!

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <u>B</u> 1. Ⓐ calm                      Ⓑ weird<br>Ⓒ same                        Ⓓ silent | <u>A</u> 4. Ⓐ dropped                   Ⓑ lifted<br>Ⓒ carried                      Ⓓ spread   |
| <u>D</u> 2. Ⓐ lean                      Ⓑ sharp<br>Ⓒ instant                      Ⓓ dumb  | <u>C</u> 5. Ⓐ courage                   Ⓑ situation<br>Ⓒ embarrassment           Ⓓ friendship |
| <u>C</u> 3. Ⓐ over                      Ⓑ in<br>Ⓒ into                        Ⓓ toward    | <u>B</u> 6. Ⓐ otherwise                Ⓑ instead<br>Ⓒ yet                           Ⓓ totally |



閱讀能力測驗：閱讀理解

請依照文意選出最適合的答案。

**A** Have you ever heard of the annual Cheese Rolling Festival held in Gloucestershire, England? It's true! A seven-pound wheel of cheese is rolled down a hill and grown men and women chase after it. This is one of the many festivals around the world that seem odd to outsiders. These strange festivals help keep important events or local traditions alive. For example, in spring, Thailand celebrates the Thai New Year with Songkran or the "Water Festival". The parade is often turned into a huge water fight. Only older people are spared from getting splashed, out of respect. Nearly every country has festivals that are this strange.

- A   1. Who considers the festival in Gloucestershire unusual?
- A** Foreigners consider it unusual.                      **B** Locals consider it unusual.  
    **C** Adults consider it unusual.                         **D** Old people consider it unusual.
- C   2. Which of the following is true about the involvement of older people in Songkran?
- A** They are the main targets of the water fights.  
    **B** They splash the younger people with water.  
    **C** They do not get involved in the water fights.  
    **D** They hold a party to celebrate after the fights.
- B   3. Which of the following is true about Songkran?
- A** Thai people roll cheese down a hill during Songkran.  
    **B** It is part of the Thai New Year.  
    **C** It is held in Gloucestershire, England.  
    **D** It is for the older citizens of Thailand.

**B**

**5th Annual Golden Dragon Film Festival**

Ticket prices:    Adults    NT\$200  
                     Students NT\$150

*Tickets can be bought in our ticket office.  
Please be on time. No entry if you are more  
than 10 minutes late.*

- C   1. How much would it cost a family of two adults and one student to see a film?
- A** NT\$700                      **B** NT\$650  
    **C** NT\$550                      **D** NT\$500
- A   2. What happens if you are more than 10 minutes late for a film?
- A** You will not be allowed inside.  
    **B** You will get a free ticket.  
    **C** You will have to pay a late fee.  
    **D** You will get a different seat.



**I 寫作能力測驗：單句寫作**  
請將標準答案完整地寫出，包括提示之文字及標點符號。

**A 句子改寫** 請依題目之提示，將原句改寫成指定型式，並將改寫的句子完整地寫出。

1. The boy who is playing the piano is my cousin. (用現在分詞改寫)

The boy playing the piano is my cousin.

2. While she was tidying up her room, she found some photos. (用現在分詞改寫)

Tidying up her room, she found some photos.

**B 句子合併** 請依照題目指示，將兩句合併成一句，並將合併的句子完整地寫出。

1. She was walking home.

She met an old friend on the way home. (用分詞合併)

Walking home, she met an old friend.

2. Jean has been a gymnast.

She knew the importance of exercise. (用分詞合併)

Having been a gymnast, Jean knew the importance of exercise.

**C 重組** 請將題目中所有提示字詞整合成一句有意義的句子，並將重組的句子完整地寫出。

1. Not having enough money, they spent their holidays at home last year.

they / at / enough / Not / last / having / spent / their / home / year / money, / holidays

2. Watching the news every day, we know what's going on in the world.

every / the / what's / on / world / day, / in / Watching / news / we / going / the / know

**II 寫作能力測驗：段落寫作**

題目：今天，家人陪 David 開心的度過十六歲生日，一起吃蛋糕，一起唱卡拉 OK (karaoke)，David 希望每個星期都可以過生日。請根據這些圖片寫一篇約 50 字的生日記敘短文。



Sample answer:

Today is David's 16th birthday. He has been looking forward to his  
birthday party all week. First, he blows the candles out on his cake. Then,  
he and his family gather around the table to eat cake and ice cream. Finally,  
they sing karaoke together. David wishes that he could have a birthday party  
every week!