## Articles

## New Year Celebrations

## **Exercise 11**

Choos	e the correct answer of th	e available possible options.	
1.	•	mber and the morning of 1 January, people in many countrie lebrate beginning of a new year. How will they celebrate begin?	
	A. a/an	B. the	
	Explanation: identifia	ble via "of a new year" = HK+	
2.	There have been celebrations to mark the beginning of a new year for thousands of years. Sometimes these were simply opportunity for people to eat, drink and have fun, but in some places the festivities were connected to the land or astronomical events. For example, in Egypt the beginning of the year coincided with when the River Nile flooded, and this normally happened when the star Sirius rose.		
	A. a/an	B. the	
	<b>Explanation:</b> New inf	ormation, HK- (member of a category)	
3.	around 20 March when	icians started their new year at spring equinox (this is the Sun shines more or less directly on the equator and the day are almost the same).	
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	A. a/an	B. the	
	<b>Explanation: uniquel</b>	identifiable = HK+	

4.		n in ancient Mesopotamia was where proded about 4,000 years ago.	the first New Year's
	A. a/an	B. the	
	Explanation: unique	ely identifiable = HK+	
5.		d their celebrations on first new ms festival Akitu (which comes from the wor	
	A. a/an	B. the	
	Explanation: unique	ely identifiable = HK+	
6.	•	opotamia in the spring, and during Akitu the last that the celebration lasted.  B. the	ere was different
	<b>Explanation:</b> New in	nformation/referent, HK-	
7.		ere carried through the streets of city that their world had been cleaned to prepare	•
	A. a/an	B. the	
	Explanation: city =	Babylon = HK+	
8.	In Scotland, New Yea	f strange and interesting New Year's traditionar's Eve is called Hogmanay and 'first for eople visiting friends' and neighbours' hous  B. the	ooting' remains

	<b>Explanation:</b> New int	formation, HK- (member of a category)	
9.	first person who v	isits your house	
	A. a/an	B. the	
	Explanation: first = 1	łK+	
10.	should bring gift a	s this will mean good luck.	
	A. a/an	B. the	
	<b>Explanation:</b> New in	formation, HK-	
11.	December. One grape is bring good luck for each	som to eat 12 grapes as the bells sound for midnight seaten at each sound of the bell and each grape is support month of year ahead.	
	A. a/an	B. the	
	Explanation: ahead r	nakes year uniquely identifiable = HK+	
12.	The new year is a perfect	ct time to make change for the better.	
	A. a/an	B. the	
	<b>Explanation:</b> New int	formation. HK-	
13.		ng New Year's resolutions is more common in very sts in the eastern hemisphere.	western
	A. a/an	B. the	

<b>Explanation:</b> western =	uniquely identifiable, HK+	
14. This tradition involves a p or behaviour or setting a p	erson making a commitment to change unwanted ersonal objective.	l habit
A. a/an	B. the	
<b>Explanation:</b> New info	mation/referent, HK-	