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Nowruz

Exercise 16

Choose the correct answer of the available possible options.

1.	Nowruz means 'new day' in Persian and is most important festival of the year. It is also celebrated in a number of other countries across the Middle East, Cen Asia, South Asia, the Balkans and East Africa, and dates back at least 3,000 years. In holiday has changed over the thousands of years that it has been celebrated, different regions have preserved or developed different traditions, as well as add new ones. But wherever it is observed, it celebrates the original message of rebirth renewal.		
	A. a/an	B. the	
2.	Nowruz marks sprir usually on 20 or 21 March	ght and day are of equal length. This is	
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3.	3. It's the day when winter changes into spring in the northern hemisphere, and it f like new beginning. In Iran it is followed by four days of public holidays, schools and universities close for two weeks.		
	A. a/an	B. the	
4.	People start their preparation for the festivities weeks beforehand. They clean the homes from top to bottom, including carpets, windows and curtains. Everyone in family helps out.		
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5.	. Anything broken is repaired or replaced and the house is decorated with flowers. I doing this spring cleaning, people wash away the bad things from previous yeard prepare for better things to come in the new year.		
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6.	People prepare special table in their homes, where they place small dishes holding seven symbolic foods and spices.				
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7.	The names of these foods all start with letter 's' in Persian				
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8.	. and so table is called the 'seven s's' (haft-seen).				
	A. a/an	B. the			
9.	The dishes generally contain wheat or bean sprouts (sabze), vinegar (serke), apples (sib), garlic (sir), wheat-based pudding called samanu,				
	A. a/an	B. the			
10.	a red spice called sumac, and senj region.	ed, a kind of wild olive which is common in			
	A. a/an	B. the			
11.	11. Other symbolic objects can include goldfish, painted eggs, candles and mirror. The seven s's symbolise life, love, health and prosperity.				
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12.	Fire forms important part of t streets for four Tuesdays in the wee	the celebrations, and bonfires are built and lit on the eks before Nowruz.			
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13.		rve the Festival of Fire (Chaharshanbe Suri), which which is believed to bring health and good luck in			
	A. a/an	B. the			
14.	is white fish with rice and herbs. M	z with their family. The traditional new year dinner Many families give money gift (called eidi) to . People often visit each other's homes and always			

in the celebrations	s, and people fill the streets to w	poetry, song and dance play a key role vatch and take part in the performances avolve horse-riding or wrestling.
A. a/an	B. the	
spend the day pic		er Nowruz, when people traditionally ide is full of families eating, dancing s.
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B. the

A. a/an