Cultures and Communities

Grade 3 Social Studies Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer.

1. What is papel picado, according to the source?

Source

Party program

Handed out at a Mexican American holiday party

Neighbors hang papel picado (pah-PEL pee-KAH-doh): colorful paper banners with cut-out shapes.

colorful paper banners with cut-out shapes
a spicy food for a holiday
a song sung at a party

2. When does the elder's community tell its stories?

Source

Interview with an elder

Recorded at a Haudenosaunee (hoe-dee-no-SHOW-nee) gathering

We tell our stories each winter. They teach children how to treat the land and each other.

each summer each winter on birthdays

Source

Museum label

Beside a basket in a South Carolina museum

Gullah Geechee (GULL-uh GEE-chee) artists sew sweetgrass into baskets. Parents teach children the same stitches.

3. What do the artists make, according to the label?

baskets from sweetgrass blankets from wool pots from clay

4. How do children learn this craft, according to the label?

They read a book about it.
Parents teach them the stitches.
They take a class at a store.

5. Who taught the weaver her patterns?

Source

Class trip notes

Written at a Navajo weaving show

A weaver showed us a rug. Each pattern takes _____ weeks. She learned it from her grandmother.

a weaving book her art teacher her grandmother

6. Which instruments did the musicians play?

Source

School newsletter

Written after Irish American music night

Musicians played fiddles and tin whistles. They said these tunes came with their families from Ireland.

fiddles and tin whistles pianos and horns drums and guitars

7. What do children get at this celebration?

Source

Lunar New Year program

Handed out at the community center

Families share dumplings. Children get red envelopes for good luck.

red envelopes for good luck
new shoes for school
a cake with candles

8. What do the small clay lamps stand for?

Source

Interview with a dancer

Recorded at an Indian American Diwali (dee-VAH-lee) party

We light small clay lamps called diyas. The lights stand for good winning over bad.

good winning over bad a new baby in the family the start of summer

9. What does Grandma Rosa's family do every December?

Source

Letter from Grandma Rosa

Sent to her grandson in November

I am sending our family's tamale recipe. Every December we make them together.

bake cookies together make tamales together sing songs together

10. According to the sign, what does the crane stand for?

Source

Festival notes

Written at a Japanese American festival

Families fold paper into cranes. A sign says the crane is a symbol of hope.

hope a long trip speed

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