

Girls' High School and College, Prayagraj

Worksheet-3

Session 2020-2021

Class 5 A-F

Subject- General Knowledge

Topic - Festivals of India

Instructions: Parents kindly ensure that the child reads Chapter 12 : Festivals of India and about the current affairs and then attempts the exercises given below-

**TOPIC: 1**

Being a highly spiritual country, festivals are at the heart of people living in India. The following popular Religious and National Festivals in India will provide a truly memorable experience.

*Read about few more festivals that people celebrate in India.*



**PONGAL** is the harvest festival of Tamil Nadu. It is celebrated for four days in January. People make Kolams to decorate their houses.



**BASANT PANCHAMI** marks the beginning of spring. Saraswati, the goddess of learning, is worshipped on this day. People wear yellow clothes.



**BIHU** is the harvest festival of Assam. It is celebrated three times in a year. Music and dance are a part of the celebrations.

## NATIONAL FESTIVALS OF INDIA

Republic Day, Independence Day and Gandhi Jayanti are the three national festivals that we celebrate.

Republic Day - We celebrate Republic Day on 26<sup>th</sup> January. The President hoists the national flag at Rajpath, New Delhi. This is followed by a grand parade. The armed forces, police, folk dancers and school children take part in the parade.

Independence Day - We celebrate Independence Day on 15<sup>th</sup> August. India became independent on this day in 1947. The Prime Minister hoists the national flag at the Red Fort in Delhi.

Gandhi Jayanti - We celebrate Gandhi Jayanti on 2<sup>nd</sup> October. It is the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi. A prayer meeting is held at Raj Ghat, the Samadhi of Mahatma Gandhi.

### EXERCISES

Ex. A- Fill in the blanks-

1. Christmas is celebrated to remember the birth of \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the most common dish of Eid.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is the harvest festival of Tamil Nadu.
4. Guruparva is celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_ Purnima.
5. People wear \_\_\_\_\_ clothes on Basant Panchami.
6. The President hoists the national flag at \_\_\_\_\_, New Delhi on Republic Day.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ is a five days festival that represents the start of the Hindu New Year.
8. Guruparva is also known as \_\_\_\_\_ .
9. Eid is the festival in which people greet each other saying "\_\_\_\_\_".
10. Bihu is the harvest festival of \_\_\_\_\_.

Ex. B- Answer in one or few words-

1. What is "Chaand Raat" of Eid?
2. What is the traditional ten days harvest festival?
3. Name the 'Festival of Colours'?
4. When do we celebrate Republic Day?
5. Where does the Prime Minister hoist the national flag on Independence Day?
6. Which festival is known as the "Festival of Lights"?
7. When do we celebrate Independence Day?

TOPIC: 2

Current Affairs

1. The Covid -19 pandemic also known as the coronavirus pandemic, is an ongoing disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2. Its outbreak was identified in Wuhan, China in December 2019. Currently most of the countries are infected due to this pandemic.
2. The Government of India has divided the entire country into three zones due to corona virus pandemic-
  - a) Green Zone
  - b) Orange Zone
  - c) Red Zone
3. Aarogya Setu is a mobile app developed by the Government of India in public-private partnership to bring the people of India together in a resolute fight against COVID-19.
4. The Janta Curfew was a 14 hours curfew (from 7 am to 9 pm) that was scheduled on 22 March, 2020. Everyone except people of essential services were needed to take part in the curfew. Our Prime Minister asked us to clap at 5 pm to appreciate the corona warriors.

5. Boris Johnson, the Prime Minister of United Kingdom was recently infected by coronavirus but now he is out of danger.
6. Recently an asteroid 1998 OR2 zipped passed our planet earth only 16 lunar distances away.
7. Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) report titled "Trends in World Military Expenditure , 2019" stated that India has become the third largest military spender in the World after the U.S. and China.
8. Recently Union HRD Minister launched a web portal YUKTI- (Young India Combating COVID with Knowledge, Technology and Innovation) to fight against coronavirus.
9. On 1 April, 2020 Oriental Bank of Commerce and United Bank of India merged with Punjab National Bank.
10. DD Retro is the new channel launched by Prasar Bharti specifically dedicated to old classics.

Ex. C- Answer in one or few words-

1. Name the mobile app launched by the Indian government?
2. What is the full form of YUKTI?
3. Name the asteroid which recently passed through the planet Earth.
4. Indian government has divided the entire country into three zones. Name them.
5. Name the newly launched channel by Prasar Bharti.
6. Which virus infected Boris Johnson recently?

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