



ENGLISH

Chapter 12 Session B

3rd
SECONDARY

Skills expansion(Part II)



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Reading

Skill: **Scanning**

Skill tip

To find key/specific information quickly, remember to **only** look for the information you need.

NEW YEAR AROUND THE WORLD

People around the world celebrate New Year in many different ways.
Find out how some of our readers are going to celebrate this year.

At midnight on December 31
I'm going to eat 12 grapes – one
grape each time the bell rings.

Maria Alvarez, Spain

It's summer in Australia, so everyone
goes to the beach. I'm going to go
surfing on New Year's Day!

Helen Tate, Australia

New Year is called Hogmanay
in Scotland. I'm going to visit my
neighbors. We'll dance all night ...
and we'll probably set off some
fireworks, too!

Stewart McBride, Scotland

Chinese New Year lasts for fifteen
days. There are a lot of celebrations.
I'm going to dress up in a lion costume
and dance in a parade. It'll be great.

Mei Hua, China



January 1 is also St. Basil's Day.
My mother is going to make a cake
called St. Basil's Cake. She's going to
put a silver coin inside. I hope I find it!

Adrian Zinzinia, Greece

Our New Year is March 21 (the first
day of spring). We call it No Ruz.
We put up decorations and have
a special dinner of eggs and rice.
I'm not going to drink any alcohol,
though, because I'm a Muslim.

Behzad Abtahi, Iran

Jewish New Year is called Rosh
Hashanah. It's usually in September.
I'm going to send cards and eat
apples with honey!

Rebecca Levi, Israel

Our New Year is called Tet. It's at the
end of January or early February. I'm
going to help my family clean up the
house and then we'll probably watch
fireworks in the local park.

Nguyen Tran Tuan, Vietnam

I'm going to light candles on Rio
beach and I think I'll throw flowers
into the ocean for good luck.

Belén Ines, Brazil



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Read the magazine article and write the name of each person who is going to ...

- 1 set off fireworks _____
- 2 light candles _____
- 3 help clean up the house _____
- 4 put up decorations _____
- 5 go to the beach _____
- 6 send cards _____
- 7 find a silver coin _____
- 8 dress up in a costume _____
- 9 eat fruit _____
- 10 visit neighbors _____



Challenge!

With a partner, take turns asking and answering questions about New Year around the world.

A: What's New Year called in Scotland?

B: Hogmanay.



Writing

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Write about a popular celebration in your country. Look at the Study guide to help you.

*The Cherry Blossom Festival is an important celebration.
I'm going to meet my girlfriend and we'll probably ...*



Writing about a popular celebration

- 1 Think of a popular celebration.

*New Year / Independence Day / Carnival /
Cherry Blossom Festival*

- 2 Who are you going to celebrate with?

my parents / relatives / boyfriend / girlfriend

- 3 What are you going to do?

*visit my relatives / go out with friends /
dress in traditional clothes / have a picnic*



WORKBOOK AUDIO TRACK 11



WORKBOOK AUDIO TRACK 12

