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LUCETE READING E6 2

UNIT 7: Baby's Big Day

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Let's Check!

1. What are the keywords?
2. What is the main idea of the text?



READING SECTION:

Baby's Big Day

Many babies around the world receive presents on their first birthday. But in some Asian countries, there are special **traditions** on this day. In China, a special **ritual** predicts the baby's future. First, different objects are placed on the floor. Then, the baby is placed among them. The item the baby picks up will tell you about the child's career. For example, the guitar shows a **career** as a musician. Japanese people have a special **ceremony** called Issho Mochi. Issho means 1.8kg and mochi means rice cake in Japanese. During this ceremony, babies must **carry** a 1.8kg rice cake on their backs. What's more, the baby's parents press on it to make it heavier. The ceremony prepares the baby for difficult **challenges** in the world. Finally, everybody wishes the baby a long life. There are many ways to prepare babies for the future. Do you think these traditions are helpful?

6 vocabulary key words: traditions, ritual, career, ceremony, carry, challenges

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1. What is the summary?



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Let's Think!

1. Beginning of the Passage:

Question: If you could create a new tradition for a baby's first birthday, what would it be and why?

Answer: If I could create a new tradition, I would have babies _____ because _____.

2. Middle of the Passage (First Half):

Question: Imagine you're the baby in China's ritual. Which object would you pick up and what does it say about your future?

Answer: If I were the baby, I would pick up the _____ because it might mean I'll become a/an _____ in the future.

3. Middle of the Passage (Second Half):

Question: How would you feel if you carried a 1.8kg rice cake on your back? What kind of challenges do you think it represents?

Answer: If I carried a 1.8kg rice cake, I would feel _____. I think it represents challenges like _____.

4. End of the Passage (First Half):

Question: Why do you think the parents press on the rice cake to make it heavier for the baby?

Answer: I think they make it heavier to teach the baby _____.

5. End of the Passage (Second Half):

Question: People wish the baby a long life. What would you wish for someone younger than you?

Answer: I would wish that _____ because _____.

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Wrap Up!

1. How do you prepare for something difficult in your life, like the baby with the rice cake?
2. Why do you think the baby's first birthday is important in these cultures?
3. Do you think the birthday traditions are really helpful for babies to get ready for life?

DEBATE TITLE: Max's Time Travel Rescue

- **Topic:**
- **Discussion question:**

Think about the following questions and write your responses in complete sentences:

1. Max's inventive mind and perseverance were important in his journey. Think about a time when you had to use your creativity and determination to solve a problem. Describe the problem, how you approached it, and what you learned from the experience.
2. Unity and working together were crucial for the kingdom's transformation. Think about a time when you worked as part of a team or group to achieve a common goal. Describe the goal, your role in the team, and the outcome of your collective efforts.