

EXERCISE 1

Circle the correct answers.

- Morris Dancing is popular in England during _____.
 - spring and summer
 - autumn and winter
 - Christmas
- The word "morris" probably comes from the word _____.
 - more
 - mores
 - Morisco
- Which sentence is incorrect about Morris dancing?
 - It is performed on May Day.
 - It is connected to Britain's pre-Christian pagan festivals.
 - It became popular during the 15th and 16th centuries in England.
- Find the sentence with the word "whitsuntide" in the article. Then look up the word in the dictionary. Which festival does this word refer to?
 - Easter
 - May Day
 - Thanksgiving
- Traditionally, Morris dancing _____.
 - is an all-male activity
 - teams are members of the "Guilds"
 - refers to both of the above.
- The most common Morris dancing style today is the _____.
 - Cotswold
 - Short Sword
 - Long Sword
- Which sentence is correct about Morris dancing?
 - Morris dancers come in a set of six or eight.
 - Morris dancers complete a series of "shortways" dances.
 - Music from guitars, flutes and harmonicas accompany Morris dancing.



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GROUP ACTIVITY

Malaysia's multiracial heritage is strongly reflected in its music and dance. The traditional dances of the Malay, Orang Asli and different ethnic groups of Sabah and Sarawak are truly Malaysia's proud heritage. The Chinese, Indians and Portuguese who have settled in Malaysia have their distinctive dances and add colour and variety to the country's rich cultural tapestry.

Get into groups of four. Do research on the cultural dances in Malaysia. Choose at least one dance from each ethnic category and complete the chart. Divide the number of dances to research amongst each group. Provide music, video or even demonstrate the dance if possible. Present in the next class.

Dance	Description	Picture
Malay		
1. Kuda Kepang (horse spirit dance)		
2. Zapin		
3. Joget		
4. Tarian Lilin (candle dance)		
Sabah & Sarawak		
1. Ngajat		
2. Datun Julud (Hornbill Dance)		
3. Sumazau		
4. Bamboo Dance		
Orang Asli		
1. Asli		
2. Inang		
Chinese		
1. Lion Dance		
2. Dragon Dance		
Indian		

1. Bharata Natyam		
2. Bhangra		
Portuguese of Malacca		
1. Farapeira		
2. Branyo		