

Chapter 5 – Tihar: Festival of Lights

Key Vocabulary, p. 56

1. b 2. F 3. e 4. g 5. c 6. h 7. d 8. a

Vocabulary

A. Vocabulary in Context, p. 58

1. worship 2. holy 3. please 4. stray 5. an icon
6. mud 7. trail 8. prosperity

B. Vocabulary in New Context, p. 59 (answers will vary).

C. Vocabulary Building, p. 60

1. pleasure 2. pleased 3. prosperity
4. prosperous 5. to decorate 6. Decorative

Reading Comprehension

A. Looking for the Main Ideas, p. 60

1. b 2. a 3. C

B. Looking for Details, p. 61

1. Hindus celebrate the festival of Tihar.
2. The people worship crows to keep sadness away.
3. The people pray for the dogs to guard their homes.
4. The cow is the symbol for wealth.
5. On the third day a female member of the household puts a red mud footprint in the doorway of the home and makes a trail to the room where the goddess Laxmi is worshipped.
6. Brothers honor their sisters by putting garlands around their necks and giving them gifts of clothes and money.

Writing

Model Paragraph, p. 62

The student is from Vietnam.

Exercise A 1, p. 63

Line 1: First; Line 3: Then, Next; Line 7: Finally

Exercise A 2, p. 64

1 - 2, 1, 4, 3, 6, 5
2 - 2, 1, 4, 3
3 - 1, 4, 3, 2, 5

Exercise B 3, p. 64

1. People worship different animals such as the crow, the dog, and the cow.
2. Tihar takes place in late autumn and lasts for five days.
3. It's a time to worship animals, brothers and sisters, and the goddess Laxmi.
4. The city is full of lights and decorations.
5. They put garlands around their neck, offer them special food, and give gifts.
6. Sisters wish their brothers long life and prosperity.

Exercise B 4, p. 64

The Chinese New Year **celebration** is fifteen days long. The Chinese clean their homes and decorate, **(add comma)** too. They also buy new clothes and prepare plenty of food. The big celebration **starts** on **New Year's Eve**. First, they have a big dinner with plenty of food. There are always special foods like a whole fish, **(add comma)** chicken, **(add comma)** and long noodles for long life. After dinner, the whole family sits up for the night. They play games **(no comma)** or watch television. Finally, **(add comma)** there are fireworks all over the sky at midnight.