



Homework 8.1. Holiday Traditions

Combining celebrations

1. **Write down** the most important celebrations in your own childhood family, home country and culture.
2. **Think about** how you would like to celebrate these celebrations.
3. Of the mutual celebrations, how could you combine both to make a unique family tradition?
4. **Make or buy a calendar** and document the traditions you wish to celebrate annually.

Holidays

1. **Talk to your partner** about where you would like to spend your holidays and if you can decide on a set timetable for spending time with each family. Try to take the following into consideration while discussing this subject:
 - If you celebrate an annual holiday, such as Christmas, will you take it in turns to spend it in each country and culture?
 - Is there a celebration that is most important to you and where would you like to spend it?
 - If these holidays are religious, how much emphasis do you want to place on that side of it?
 - Do you want to involve family and friends or keep it to just your immediate family?
2. Write down the **three perfect locations** for a family holiday below:
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Now ask your partner to do the same and **compare your answers**.



3. Next, write down the **three most important** aspects of a holiday for you and, again, ask your partner to do the same:

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The reason you have been asked to do this is to ascertain if you and your partner think the same way about holidays and what is important to you both. Once you discover what you both want from a holiday, you can start to plan the perfect trip – one which will be beneficial to the whole family.