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Twelfth Night Traditions Matching Activity

Twelfth Night, observed on 5 January, has been celebrated in England since the 15th century. The festival falls on the 12th night after Christmas and marks the end of the Christmas season.

Directions: Match each description with the Twelfth Night tradition that corresponds to it and write the correct letter in the space provided.

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| _____ 1. traditional performance on Twelfth Night | a. Twelfth Night cake |
| _____ 2. each year celebrations occur in this city | i. <i>Twelfth Night</i> |
| _____ 3. a hot and spicy punch | f. Wassail |
| _____ 4. burned to bring good fortune to the house | j. Epiphany |
| _____ 5. gingersnaps and spiced ale | e. Christmas decorations |
| _____ 6. Shakespearean play | b. the Yule Log |
| _____ 7. a rich and dense fruitcake containing a bean | c. a traditional practical joke |
| _____ 8. hiding a bird in an empty pie case | h. traditional food |
| _____ 9. a Christian feast following Twelfth Night | d. London |
| _____ 10. considered unlucky to leave up after 5 January | g. St. George play |

Answer Key

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- 1) **g.** St. George play
- 2) **d.** London
- 3) **f.** Wassail
- 4) **b.** the Yule Log
- 5) **h.** traditional food
- 6) **i.** *Twelfth Night*
- 7) **a.** Twelfth Night cake
- 8) **c.** a traditional practical joke
- 9) **j.** Epiphany
- 10) **e.** Christmas decorations