



**Living Hope SDA Messengers Present**  
**CULTURAL HERITAGE**  
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1. Tell why it is important to know about your cultural heritage:
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  
2. List the special ceremonies that are unique to your culture or the region from which your family originates, in the following categories:
  - a. Birth of a Child
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  - b. Becoming an Adult
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  - c. Marriage -
  - d. Death and Burial -
  
3. List customary ways of dressing for everyday life and two special occasions:
  - a. Everyday Life:
  
  - b. Special Occasions:
  
  - c. Draw one picture of every day dress in your culture AND one of a special occasion that was discussed.

4. Examine your culture's traditions with respect to marriage. Do all of the following:  
a. Describe the role of the couple being married with respect to courtship and selecting their spouse.

b. Describe the role of each betrothed's family in the wedding ceremony and in the events prior to and following the wedding ceremony.

c. Compare and contrast your culture's marriage traditions with modern western culture marriage traditions:

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d. Examine the Bible to find 3 references to marriage traditions of the Jewish culture during the biblical era. Describe how God utilized their allusions to describe God's relationship with sinners.

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5. Examine the historical leadership structure prevalent in your culture and compare and contrast it with the representative democracy present in the North American countries.

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