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Chapter 16 The Diversity of India.

Good Morning Students!

India is one country in the world where people belonging to different religions, castes, speaking different languages, having different cultures, different modes of living, different clothing, different food habits, live together in harmony and are believed to be the children of — Mother India.

The term 'Unity of Diversity' was first coined Jawaharlal Nehru as he wrote that India is always united despite geographical, religious and cultural differences.

Linguistic diversity in India is well known. A large number of languages and dialects are spoken here. Sanskrit and Tamil are the oldest languages in India. Hindi is written in Devanagari script. For official purpose Hindi and English are used.

India is primarily an agricultural country with different types of food crops grown there. This variety is due to different climatic conditions. We have the Kashmiri food, Punjabi food, Mughlai food, Maharashtrian food, Bengali food, etc.

In India there is a large section of society especially in rural areas that still wear traditional dress. Women wear

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sarees, salwar kameez, ghaghara. Men wear dhoti-kurta, lungi, pyjama, turban, phirans. In towns people wear modern dresses like jeans, trousers, skirts + t-shirts, etc.

With so many religions practised in India, India is a land of festivals. Many national and religious festivals are celebrated here. Students can you name some festivals celebrated in India?

Despite these diversities and differences, Indians feel a sense of unity and oneness among them. People in India stand together united in face of any foreign interference or national calamity.

Fill in the blanksTrue or false

1. Saree
2. Script
3. Hindi, English
4. traditional

1. True
2. False
3. False
4. False

Match the columns.

1. Chhath Puja
2. Saraswati Puja
3. Ganesh Chaturthi
4. Baisakhi
5. Bihu

- Bihar
- Bengal
- Maharashtra
- Punjab
- Assam