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***CULTURE HERITAGE***

*Culture is the environment of our everyday life and also the life of the whole society. It is through the culture that we collect, store and spread the experience of the human kind. It is something that makes human an actual person.*

As said by M.F. Moonzajer, “Culture is my identity and personality. It gives me spiritual, intellectual and emotional distinction from others, and I am proud of it.” It is the culture that makes a great influence on one’s personality.

*Toys and crafts are important parts of every culture as they form ethnical identity in various ways.*

Firstly, all people are aware of their cultural heritage to some extent, and in one way or another, it influences their individual qualities. Thus, one’s personal culture is expressed in their creative abilities, erudition, understanding of works of art. This is regularly achieved in the process of upbringing and education.

*Traditional clothes also represent some cultural traits – vivid colours and rich ornaments.*

Secondly, the culture regulates human behaviour in the family, school, at work, at home, because it determines social norms, which is supported by both personal and social morality and law. Finally, the culture performs an aesthetic function in various forms of art. Music, visual arts, literature bear the unique cultural code, where the best experience of many generations is concentrated for those who are eager to absorb it.

*Traditional games embody rituals that have been performed for centuries.*

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In conclusion, I would like to say that I feel strongly about young people being not only aware of their cultural heritage but also about them being involved in the process of accumulating the cultural knowledge and experience. Our society is only as intelligent as it preserves the “gene” of its cultural heritage.

*The festival of Maslenitsa is one of the most authentic celebrations in Russia.*

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