

Irish Symbols and Traditions Worksheet

1 **Match the definition to a symbol or tradition associated with Ireland.**

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| a | a plant with three round leaves in a triangular pattern | i | harp |
| b | a religious ceremony | ii | leprechauns |
| c | a march or public celebration | iii | Irish coffee |
| d | magical creatures, mischievous little old men | iv | mass |
| e | a hot drink made with cream | v | parade |
| f | traditional stories and culture | vi | Celtic Cross |
| g | a traditional stringed instrument | vii | folklore |
| h | colours seen in arcs in the sky | viii | ceilidh |
| i | a symbol often seen made of silver, stone or as a tattoo | ix | rainbows |
| j | a traditional Irish dance event | x | shamrock |

2 **Find out more about Ireland by reading this excerpt from a brochure.**

Place the above words in the gaps.

Visit the magical Emerald Isle

Known as the Emerald Isle, beautiful Ireland is a land where you will make many wonderful discoveries. Come here to see its stunning scenery and frequent (1) _____. Walk in the picturesque mountains or along the rugged coasts. You may be lucky enough to see some (2) _____ standing proudly in the landscape.

Encounter Irish traditions in music and literature by dancing at a (3) _____, listening to a (4) _____ performance or reading about mischievous little (5) _____ in Irish (6) _____.

Relax and drink an (7) _____ or a pint of Guinness while you watch a St Patrick's Day (8) _____, or attend Sunday (9) _____ along with many of the locals. Wear green or a (10) _____ to blend in with the crowd.

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a	x
b	iv
c	v
d	ii
e	iii
f	vii
g	i
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1	rainbows
2	Celtic Crosses
3	ceilidh
4	harp
5	leprechauns
6	folklore
7	Irish coffee
8	parade
9	mass
10	shamrock