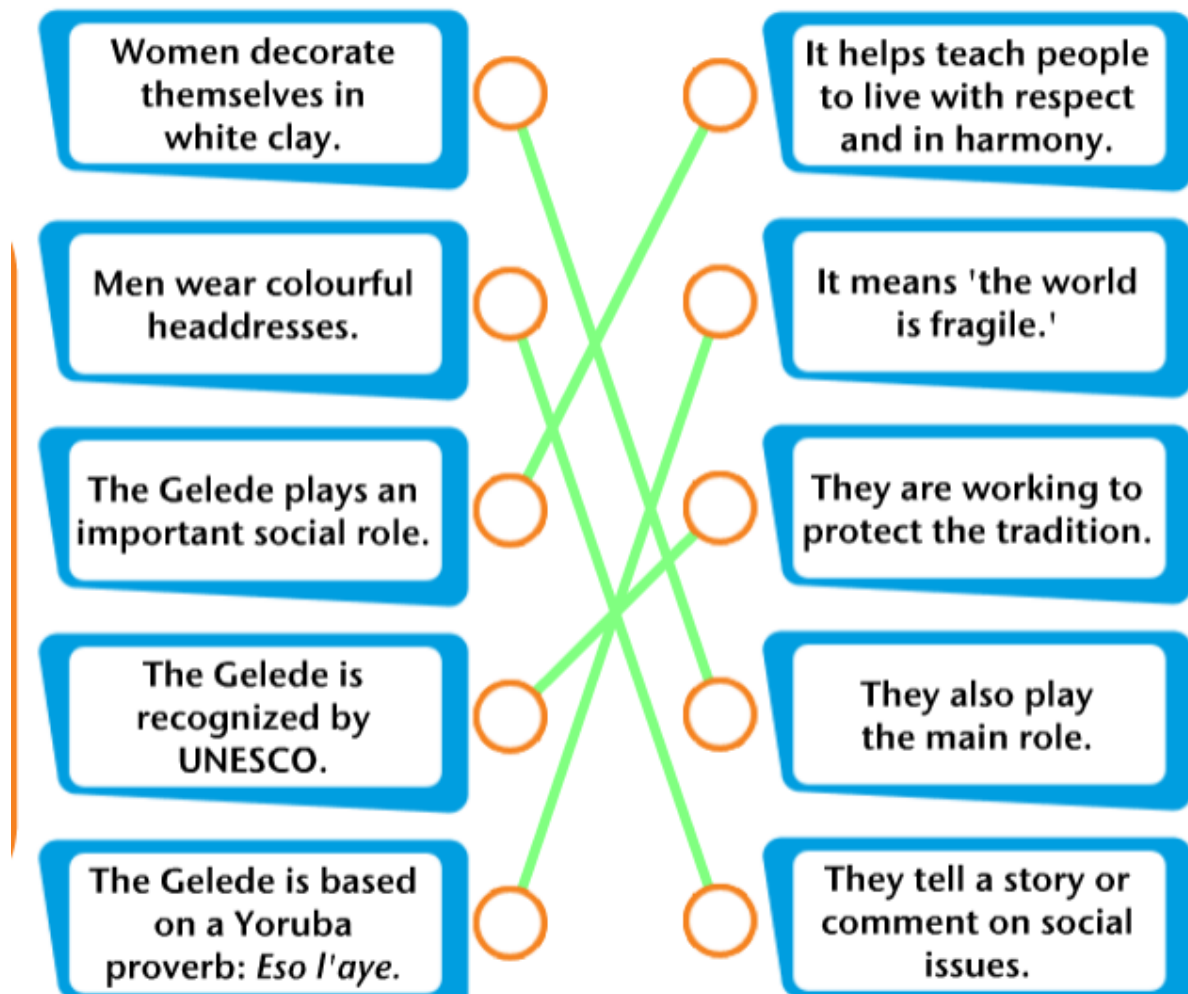


Activity 1.



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Dancing around the world

Forget breakdancing and disco! These traditional dances from around the world are much more exciting!

1. **Flamenco** is a traditional form of music and dance that comes from the south of Spain. At first it was performed to clapping and singing, but guitars and castanets were added later. Flamenco is full of emotion. Usually a solo female dancer performs the dance. She wears a beautiful costume and claps, stamps her feet and moves her arms.
2. **Indian classical dance** has been around since 400 BC. According to Hindu tradition, Shiva, the Lord of the Dance, created heaven and earth with his dancing. Dancers make complicated movements with their arms and hands while musicians play traditional Indian instruments. Men and women usually dance separately.
3. The **Tango** is a style of music and dance. It is always performed with a partner. It was invented in the poor neighbourhoods around Buenos Aires in Argentina. The tango is a romantic and sometimes sad dance. It is accompanied by a piano, strings or an orchestra.
4. The first festival of **Irish dancing** was 3,000 years ago. Irish dancing is still very popular today. Dancers usually keep their arms by their sides while they move their feet very quickly and do amazing high kicks. They dance to traditional music played on violins, bagpipes and drums.



1. Tango
2. Flamenco
3. Indian Classical dance
4. Irish Dancing