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1. **Draw up a list of the different festivals celebrated in your locality. Which of these celebrations are shared by members of different regional and religious communities?**

Solution 1:

Some of the festivals celebrated are Onam, Diwali, Holi, Krishna Janmasthami and Christmas. People across religious lines celebrate festivals like Onam, Holi, and Christmas.

2. **What do you think living in India with its rich heritage of diversity adds to your life?**

Solution 2:

We learn different languages from our friends. We enrich our lives by getting to know the different cultural traditions. We learn from the different religious rituals that are observed by our friends and neighbours.

3. **Do you think the term "unity in diversity" is an appropriate term to describe India? What do you think Nehru is trying to say about Indian unity in the sentence quoted above from his book The Discovery of India?**

Solution 3:

It is definitely an appropriate term. Our country has a huge population with people from many different cultural backgrounds, different religions, people speaking different languages and people following different traditions. Yet, this large, diverse nation is always united and moves forward on the path of progress. Nehru is trying to say that tolerance is very much ingrained in every Indian citizen.

4. **Underline the line in the poem sung after the Jallianwala Bagh massacre, which according to you, reflects India's essential unity.**

Solution 4:

'The blood of Hindus and Muslims flows together today' is the line in the poem which reflects India's essential unity.

5. **Choose another region in India and do a similar study of the historical and geographical factors that influence the diversity found there. Are these traditional and geographical factors connected to each other? How?**

Solution 5:

Students are advised to compare their region with any other region in India and study the factors that influence diversity