

**Secondary school**  
**Third Grade - Unit 6**  
**Cultural habits**

*Specific competency: Conversation about cultural habits  
of different countries.*

**Exercises for the students**

**Achievement 1: Read texts about cultural habits**

**Exercise 3: Fascinating cultural traditions around the world**

Fill in the blanks with the words from the box.

yellow – minutes – food – insult - friends

**Don't ask for salt when dining in Egypt**

In many cultures, like the United States, it is all right to ask for salt to add to your

1) \_\_\_\_\_. But if you are dining with friends and colleagues in Egypt, keep in mind to avoid asking for salt. It is taken as an 2) \_\_\_\_\_ to the host, as Egyptians take it to mean that you are repulsed by the taste of the meal served to you.

**Choose the flowers you give to a Russian**

If you have Russian business associates or 3) \_\_\_\_\_, be careful of the flowers you give them. Avoid flowers with 4) \_\_\_\_\_ colors as they represent a break-up of a relationship or deceit.

**A question of being punctual**

The value of being on time depends on the country. In Venezuela, it is actually a norm to arrive about 10 to 15 5) \_\_\_\_\_ late for a dinner invitation. Being early for the Venezuelans means the person is either overly eager or greedy.