New Year Celebrations Around the World Answer Key

1. Ancient Egyptians celebrated the New Year ____________.
   a. in the spring, when crops started to grow

2. January is named after the Roman god Janus, who is shown as a ____________.
   c. two-headed god

3. The Jewish New Year is celebrated in ____________.
   c. the fall

4. On New Year’s Day in British Columbia and some other places, the polar bear swim takes place when people ____________.
   c. go swimming outside

5. The song “Auld Lang Syne” comes from ____________.
   a. Scotland

6. “Auld Lang Syne” roughly translates as ____________.
   c. “The Good Old Days"

7. The first Tournament of Roses Parade was held in ____________.
   a. 1896

8. The Chinese New Year takes place in late January or early February and ends with ____________.
   b. the festival of lanterns

9. New Year’s Day is also ____________.
   c. the last day of Kwanzaa

10. In Spain on New Year’s Eve, it is traditional to eat 12 ____________ at midnight.
    c. grapes