

# Answers

1. What are people saying goodbye to at the start of the New Year?

**People are saying goodbye to the past year at the start of a New Year.**

2. Who changed the dates of the calendar?

**Pope Gregory XIII**

3. Which country welcomes the New Year first? Tick **one**.

- Brazil
- Kiribati**
- The United States of America
- Mexico

4. Why is a coin or charm baked inside Mexican sweetbread? Tick **one**.

- to bring bad luck
- to ward off evil spirits
- to bring good luck**
- as a decoration

5. Which country calls New Year 'Hogmanay'? Tick **one**.

- Brazil
- Scotland**
- Mexico
- England

6. Which two of these may someone bring to a friend's house for Hogmanay? Tick **two**.

- sweets
- bread**
- coal**
- flower

7. Why do you think people choose to make New Year's Resolutions?

**Pupil's own response, such as: I think people choose to make New Year's Resolutions because it helps them to give up something that may be difficult to stop and focus on making it through a year. It also shows that the person is making changes for the year ahead which will have a positive effect on their life.**