

*Romance, Hopes and Dreams* is an exhibition that highlights the significance of some of the most important and commonly practised wedding customs and rituals in multi-ethnic Singapore.

< for Primary School Students >

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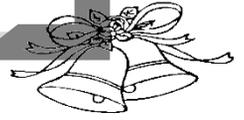
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# A PRE - VISIT



Before visiting the exhibition, write down your thoughts here!

**What do you think the *Romance, Hopes and Dreams* exhibition is about?**

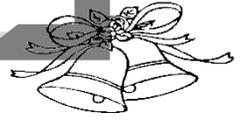
I think it is about

**What do you hope to learn from the exhibition?**

I hope to learn about

**How do you feel about visiting this exhibition? Why?**

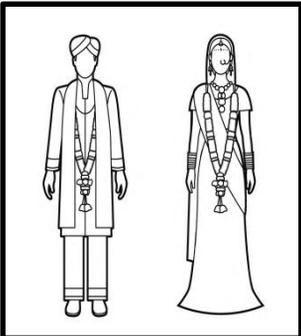
# B MIX AND MATCH



Below are pictures of traditional wedding outfits of the four ethnic groups in Singapore. Match the pictures of the outfits on the left to the ethnic groups on the right!

## Wedding outfits

## Ethnic Groups



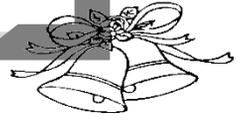
Eurasian

Malay

Indian

Chinese

# C DESIGN THIS!



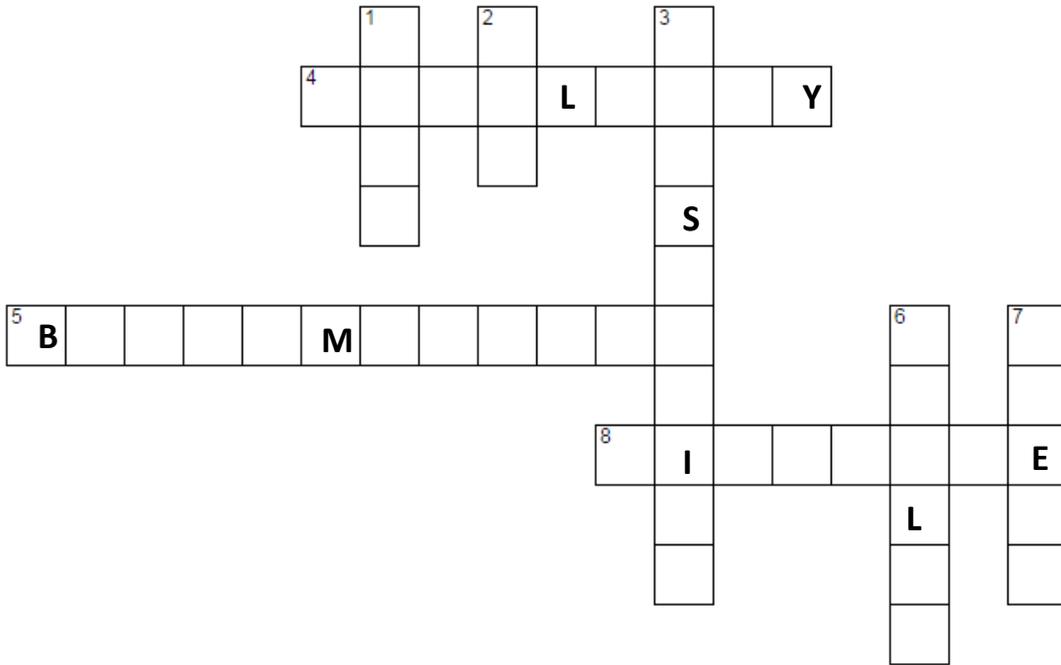
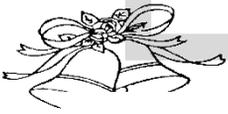
You have seen the different types of traditional wedding outfits from this exhibition. Here is your chance to design your dream wedding outfit in the space below!

My dream wedding outfit is special because...

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# D FUN FACTS



## ACROSS

## DOWN

**4** As part of the dowry given by the parents, or as gifts to be given to the bride from the groom, or as gifts from relatives and loved ones.

**5** During the procession, the Malay groom will be flanked by \_\_\_\_, as he leads his relatives and friends to the bride's home.

**8** The shape of the wedding ring which symbolises the cycle of life and represents the eternal bond of marriage, love, commitment, romance and fidelity.

**1** The hand the ring is placed on.

**2** The colour which the Indians and Chinese believe to bring good luck, happiness and wealth to the newly-weds.

**3** A ritual and important symbol to mark the bride's acceptance into the groom's family.

**6** The royal colour used by Chinese emperor which represents power and authority.

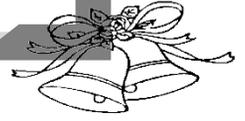
**7** A common accessory used by the Malay groom which symbolises the common belief that the groom is the 'King of the Day'.



What is the meaning of the word 'dowry'?

*Dowry refers to money or property given by the parents*

# E WHAT SHOULD I DO?



Singapore is a multi-cultural society made up of Chinese, Malays, Indians, Eurasians and Asians of different origins and we get to observe and understand wedding rituals across different cultures.

Read the questions below and provide advice to these friends on what they should do.

I've invited Ahmad and Kavitha to my attend my sister's wedding at the church and there will be a lunch reception after that.

What should I take note of?

Alexander

Alexander needs to make sure that....

Ahmad and Kavitha need to...

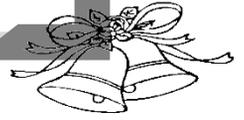
Alexander has invited us attend his sister's wedding at the church and we are excited to go!

What should we take note of?

Ahmad & Kavitha

**Respecting one another is important in maintaining harmony in Singapore!**

# **F** MY REFLECTIONS



Write down three similarities between the different wedding practices you have seen.

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Write down two hopes and dreams you have for yourself.

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Write down one value you have learnt from this exhibition.

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