

Jennifer: Hi Liz, I just thought I'd come by to say "Hi", and "Happy New Year."

Liz: Happy New Year to you too Jennifer. Did you have a nice time with your family?

Jennifer: Yes, we just had a quiet and relaxing time. A few friends came over and we had dinner. How about you?

Liz: I had an amazing time. A large group of us went to China Town for the celebrations. I was amazed at how exciting and lively they were. We usually have a quiet New Year's Eve, so I was really surprised at the difference.

Jennifer: So what did you all do?

Liz: Well, first of all we had dinner: fish and dumplings, delicious! You know how much I love fish! Then we walked through the center of China Town to see all the decorations; there were lanterns and red paper art everywhere. I bought an upside down 'Fu' and 'Dui Lian' to hang in my room, for future good luck and prosperity. Then the fireworks started. Oh my goodness, they went on all night. Infact, the celebrations go on for about two weeks! We actually stayed up all night, and went to the morning market which is traditional. They were selling lots of flowers, so I bought sunflowers and plum blossoms which are supposed to give me a good year.

Jennifer: Wow! You really had a cultural experience. My New Year's Eve was really boring compared with yours.

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