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## The Green Parade

Erin is Irish and lives in the big city of Chicago. Her mother's parents grew up in Ireland and came to the United States shortly after they got married. Erin's family is very proud of its Irish heritage. Each year her grandparents go downtown to watch the big Chicago St. Patrick's Day parade. This year for the first time, they invited Erin to go with them. She was so excited that she could hardly sleep the night before.

They arrived at the parade site and found a great place to stand where Erin could see everything. There were marching bands, decorated cars, beautiful floats, flags, banners, and much more.

Erin was very curious about something. "Why is everyone wearing green?" she asked her grandfather. He explained that the green shamrock is Ireland's national emblem and that much of Ireland's countryside is green and lovely because of its plentiful rainfall. So, wearing green on St. Patrick's Day has become a popular tradition. Erin liked the green very much.

"Can we come to the green parade again next year?" she asked.

"I think that can be arranged," her grandfather said with smile.

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1. Erin lives in what city?
   - ◯ New York
   - ◯ Chicago
   - ◯ Paris
   - ◯ Rome

2. Erin's grandparents grew up in what country?
   - ◯ Ireland
   - ◯ France
   - ◯ Canada
   - ◯ Mexico

3. In the story, Erin was invited to go to the _____ parade.
   - ◯ 4th of July
   - ◯ Christmas Day
   - ◯ Thanksgiving Day
   - ◯ St. Patrick's Day

4. Erin noticed that many people were wearing the color _____.
   - ◯ blue
   - ◯ red
   - ◯ green
   - ◯ yellow

5. The _____ is Ireland's national emblem.
   - ◯ evergreen tree
   - ◯ shamrock
   - ◯ rose
   - ◯ oak tree