New Years

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I believe that we can all agree that no one celebrates the New Year as joyously as the Americans. The spirit of the New Year and all the possibilities it brings is felt through the air, and streets of the USA on New Year's Eve. Americans enthusiasm for the New Year, comes with lots of joy and many ways to celebrate it. There are fireworks, countdowns, parades, and reflections about the year ending, and the new year beginning.

After the establishment of the Georgian calendar as we know today, there were many religious ceremonies related to welcome the New Year to ensure good fortune. However, as of the twentieth century, the way people celebrate the New Year has changed. In today's society,

religious differences do not stand, and everyone in the USA celebrates the New Year in a distinct, but unified way.

There are customs relating to the celebration of New Year, including the resolution-making, where people decide goals for themselves to meet in the new year, which mostly revolve around self-betterment in the form of weight loss or less procrastinating. In addition, it is traditional for people to gather around their loved ones before the clock strikes twelve, marking the entry into the New Year. The USA also features parades specific to the New year, such as the parade in Pasadena, California. Whatever the form of celebration is, all of America shares in welcoming the New Year with high spirits and excitement.

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