**APPENDIX** (Data Research)

Authentic assessments such as five essays written by non-English department students

Eid in My Village (Essay 1)

The atmosphere of Eid in my village, Alhamdulillah, is quite busy and very enjoyable because during the Eid al-Fitr prayers it was done very quickly because of the rain, and the location was at the Babul Jannah mosque in Bissoloro village where there were so many people, both children, adults and people who were already advanced. Due to its age, the mosque couldn’t fit so that when it came out onto the main road it was filled with saf congregations praying for Eid al-Fitr prayers. Thank God, everyone was able to take the time to come and join in carrying out the Eid prayer, even though it was raining in the morning, but the congregation prayed. Id still gathered in crowds to continue to come to perform the id prayer together listening to the sermon on the id prayer, the greeting from the head of the Bungaya sub-district, the greeting from the regent of Gowa, and after reading the sermon on the id prayer, everyone greeted each other and said minal aidhin walfaidzin, sorry to be born and inner,, and Alhamdulillah also on that day so many families were able to meet again to stay in touch with each other, both those from far away and closest neighbors, usually meeting each other again while eating together and going from house to house, and also making pilgrimages to the graves of grandmothers and relatives. , uncle, auntie and others, on that day I was also very full, because almost every house I went to I ate buras, cake and syrup, I also went to the Bissoloro’ Tangkalaka pine forest tourist spot, where so many people came there , went on holiday, and at the same time took photos as a memory of Eid al-Fitr in 2024, and I also had the opportunity to come there to take photos with my family and friends, as well as a pilgrimage to my aunt’s house, because the tour manager is my own aunt so I didn’t did the entry registration, after that, because it was already 4 in the afternoon, I just came back from the tour and went to my grandmother’s house again, shaking hands while eating buras, cake and drinking DHT syrup, after that, I just went back home because it was already sunset. Thank God, we were able to meet again together. With the family in the evening, while telling stories about where the day went.

Eid al-Fitr (Essay 2)

Eid al-Fitr, or Lebaran, is an important celebration for Muslims. It occurs after nearly a month of fasting and is marked by the Eid prayer. One of the most anticipated moments leading up to Lebaran is buying new clothes. After receiving my Eid allowance (THR) from my parents, I went to the mall to shop for new clothes that match with my entire family. This is something many people eagerly anticipate as Lebaran approaches, as there are usually attractive discounts on new clothing styles and a wide variety of garments available, making the shopping experience even more exciting. It's not just about choosing clothes; it's also an opportunity to gather with family to search for Eid clothes amidst the bustling mall crowds.
After shopping for new clothes at the mall, my family and I also made cakes in preparation for Eid. From the sweet pineapple tarts (nastar) to the delicate snow princess cookies (putri salju), and the caramel-coated hidden bean snacks, we made sure to prepare a variety of treats. We also made ketupat (rice cakes) and lontong (compressed rice), filling the house with their fragrant aroma. Before making the cakes, ketupat, and lontong, I first bought all the necessary ingredients to prepare food to serve to guests who would come to visit on Eid. The process wasn't just about cooking; it was also about upholding the cultural traditions taught by our family, and I found a sense of togetherness in making them with my family.
As an expression of love and care, I also made and sent beautiful Eid parcels, including various Eid cookies, snacks, drinks, and some small gifts such as prayer scarves, to express joy and happiness to my loved ones. By sharing these parcels, I aimed to strengthen the bonds of kinship amidst the togetherness of Eid al-Fitr.

After performing the Eid prayer, one of the most anticipated moments is visiting the homes of family and friends. We are welcomed with warm smiles, hugs, and delicious dishes. The atmosphere of togetherness and joy fills every corner of the house with conversations flowing smoothly between past memories and future plans. Visiting the homes of friends and family is not just about strengthening bonds of kinship, but in Islam, it's also about seeking forgiveness and forgiving one another.
However, I also experienced a moment of sadness during this Eid celebration because one of my parents, my father, couldn't be present. He hadn't been granted leave for Eid, so I couldn't meet him during this important moment. We could only communicate through video calls, exchanging Eid greetings and sincere apologies. The last time I celebrated Eid with my father was probably about 7 years ago due to his job that prevents him from returning home to celebrate Eid with the family.
After visiting the homes of family and friends, I also made a pilgrimage to the graves of my paternal grandparents, my father's parents. I felt deeply saddened by their absence as I celebrated Eid as an adult. So, I never stopped praying for them to rest peacefully in the afterlife.
Therefore, Eid is an integral part of the cultural identity and togetherness of the Muslim community. Most people welcome Eid with joy as they gather with loved ones, while some may also approach Eid with sorrow as they remember those they wished could be with them but are now only reachable through prayers.

My Eid Mubarak (Essay 3)

On the night before Eid, on my island, despite the rain, the takbiran activity continued with enthusiasm. The men on my island go around the takbiran circle twice. This is a strong tradition and symbolizes the unity and togetherness of Muslims in Indonesia. Not forgetting the firecrackers that keep the Eid atmosphere alive.

Early in the morning, I wake up at four o'clock to get ready for the Eid prayer. After that, I went to my grandmother's grave and the rest of us went home. We also apologize to each other and say "minal aidin wal faizin" not only at home we also do it around the house and some give thr. This is also part of the Lebaran tradition that shows awareness and togetherness.

In the afternoon, the tradition on my island is to ride a motorbike around the island while wearing their best clothes, and in the evening I reunite with friends from kindergarten, elementary school, and junior high school, we tell the complaints that we have lived through college and while living in Makassar, it feels very relieved after telling everything and we go around the island again after the reunion, so that is also a habit on my island and the most important thing is family gathering.

My Holliday (Essay 4)

holidays are the most awaited thing for everyone, including myself. I want to explore several

vacation spots during the semester break. For example, to the country above the clouds, who

doesn't know the nickname of the country above the clouds? One of the tourist attractions is

in Toraja, I want to go on holiday there because I am one of the types of people who likes

nature, especially mountains. I want to go there because apart from the view of the sunrise

which is very beautiful and decorated with clouds gathering around the mountain which is

very pleasing to the eyes of anyone who sees it, plus the unique mountain atmosphere along

with the sounds of mountain animals makes the mind more relaxed. And not all the place has

the same view and atmosphere. Apart from the view of the country above the clouds, there

are also several other natural attractions that are no less interesting, such as a clear blue

spring lake that never recedes, which is also a special attraction for visiting there. I want to go

there with my 2 female cousins who also have the same hobby as me, namely mountain

climbing. Apart from the fact that we already know each other, our parents will also give us

permission to go out together. The trip we took from our place of origin to the land above the

clouds or Toraja took around 1 hour or more, and that also depended on the weather,

sometimes we had to postpone the trip because of rain which would cause the roads to be

slippery and foggy, which could interfere with visibility.

‘‘Eid Yesterday and Now. (Essay 5)

Towards a meaningful Eid al-Fitr holiday‘‘ The evening sky in my hometown is golden orange, reflecting over the wooden houses that are

neatly lined up. The gentle breeze brings the distinctive aroma of dry cakes and delicious Eid

specialties. The sound of small children running around happily, waiting for a beautiful moment

to gather with their beloved family. That's the atmosphere of Eid al-Fitr in 2020, full of joy and

togetherness.

For Fitri, a 15 year old girl, last year's Eid felt different. Usually, he and his extended family

always gather at his grandmother's house in the village, celebrating Hari Raya with dozens of

relatives. However, that year, because of the ongoing pandemic, they decided to celebrate Eid at

home.

The atmosphere felt quiet. Fitri misses the typical Eid crowds in the village, where she can play

with her cousins, take part in traditional competitions, and eat delicious dishes cooked by her

grandmother and aunts.

Even so, Fitri and her family tried to remain enthusiastic and solemn in celebrating Eid at home.

They pray together, forgive each other, and eat Eid meals cooked together. Fitri also learned a lot

about the true meaning of Eid al-Fitr, which is a moment for self-introspection, cleansing the

heart, and strengthening relationships with family.

This year's Eid, namely 2024, brings a breath of fresh air for Fitri and her family. The pandemic

began to subside, and they were able to gather again with their extended families in the village.

Fitri's heart felt emotion and happiness when she saw again the faces of her loved ones whom

she had missed for a long time.

This year's Eid feels even more special for Fitri. He could feel the typical Eid excitement and

togetherness in the village again. He played with his cousins, and ate delicious dishes cooked by

his grandmother and aunts.

More than that, this year's Eid is a moment for Fitri to get closer to her grandmother. They talked

about many things, including about Eid traditions in the past. Rara also learned a lot about the

noble values and meaning behind these traditions.

Last year's Eid and this year's Eid taught Fitri many things. He realized that Eid al-Fitr is not

only about joy and togetherness, but also about moments for self-introspection, cleansing the

heart, and strengthening relationships with family. He also learned that Eid traditions have noble

values that should be preserved.

Even though they are different in atmosphere and excitement, last year's and this year's Eid al- Fitr both left Fitri with happy memories. He is grateful for the opportunity to be able to celebrate

Hari Raya with his beloved family, and he hopes to continue preserving the meaningful Eid

traditions in the years to come.