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The moments reuniting with deceased loved ones annually. Visiting the tombs and together reminiscing the old times. I value family so much and I believe every family member is very important, even the deceased ones. They were part of our family and still is our family even they are not here anymore. They are still in our hearts and the memories that we had together can never be replaced.

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South-East Asia people believe that Tomb-Sweeping Day is a day for people to respect and remember to the people in a family who passed away. By cleaning the Tomb and also praying for these people. Additional, there are many special dishes for this day. And they also believe that if they remember and respect forefather, they will have a lucky present and bright future.

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I think tomb sweeping day is a unique custom from Zhou dynasty era where we worship our ancestors by feeding them food. I recently saw video about it where youngsters from mainland China offer modern foods such as Starbucks meals as sacrifice so they can eat it again later. I think what they do is really funny; however, I personally would not eat the sacrificial food. I think the ancestors already eat them so the nutrition is not the same. I personally believe this tradition because I think my ancestors' soul never die.