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Toasted: A Housewarming Tradition

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Summary:

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The Tradition

Boris removed his cap and wrung it nervously. A member of Russia's ruling party was arriving i

As the dignitary approached the outskirts of the village, Boris walked forward holding a round

^What's this?~ asked the dignitary.

^Bread - for good health. Salt - for long life,~ Boris said nervously.

^For me?~ queried the dignitary.

^With glad welcome,~ replied Boris as Yelena anxiously brushed back a strand of hair wondering

All was quiet while the dignitary lifted the bread and inhaled the fresh baked scent. ^Such a

While there is no definitive way of knowing exactly how housewarming gifts truly originated, s

However it originated, the idea of giving a housewarming gift in honor of new neighbors or fri

Meaningful friendships have begun by observing this housewarming tradition.

Housewarming Etiquette

Housewarming gifts should be practical. A kitchen gift or cooking gift is always appreciated a

So Many Choices

While items for the outdoors may prove useful in some cases, a kitchen gift or cooking gift pr

A Good Neighbor

In a society that is increasingly mobile, a housewarming gift may be the perfect opportunity t

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