

# Chinese New Year

## An Asian Tradition

### Vocabulary

lantern  
money

dragon  
goat

temple  
fireworks

lunar  
China



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2. \_\_\_\_\_



3. \_\_\_\_\_



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8. \_\_\_\_\_

What do you think the story is about?

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# New Years in China

- a) New Years in **China** is one of their biggest holidays.
- b) The Chinese New Year is celebrated in February.
- c) The Chinese New Year celebrations usually last for 15 days.
- d) It is also called the "Spring Festival" or "**Lunar** New Year".
- e) During the New Year families get together to celebrate.
- f) They eat lots of food and watch TV at home.
- g) People shoot **fireworks** into the sky for fun!
- h) Each year is named after a different animal.
- i) There are 12 animals, and this is the year of the **goat**.
- j) The color red is used everywhere during the celebrations.
- k) Red **lanterns** are used as traditional decorations in **temples**.
- l) **Dragon** Dances and street fairs are very popular.
- m) Children get **money** in red envelopes and eat candy.
- n) New Years represents a new beginning for everyone.
- o) The first Chinese New Year celebration was in 2600 B.C. That's a long time ago.



# Questions

## Choose the best answer

### 1. What is the story about?

- A. Halloween  
B. Valentine's Day  
C. Easter  
D. Chinese New Year

### 2. What month is the Chinese New Year?

- A. June  
B. February  
C. April  
D. September

### 3. How many animals are in the Chinese Zodiac?

- A. 12  
B. 7  
C. 8  
D. 15

### 4. What is another name for the Chinese New Year?

- A. Lunar New Year  
B. Christmas  
C. Spring Festival  
D. Solar New Year

### 5. What color is important during the Chinese New Year?

- A. red  
B. yellow  
C. green  
D. purple

## Word Scramble

a) atog

b) noeym

c) nlura

d) mtplee

e) ganrdo

f) acihn

g) anltren

## True (Yes) or False (No)

1. The Chinese New Year is in June. T F
2. China is a big country in Europe. T F
3. There are 8 animals to represent years in the Chinese Zodiac. T F
4. Families celebrate the New Year at home. T F
5. Dragon Dances are performed in the street. T F
6. The New Year celebrations last for 7 days. T F
7. The New Year represents a new beginning for everyone. T F
8. There are many fireworks during the New Year holiday. T F

# Writing

Write a sentence using each vocabulary word

1.

2.

3.

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# Drawing

Draw a picture of each vocabulary word

Eight empty rounded rectangular boxes arranged in two rows of four, intended for drawing pictures of vocabulary words.