

## Chinese New Year Celebration

Monday was the start of **Chinese** New Year. We had lots of things to do. My brother and sister helped my Mum to get ready. We helped to clean the house. I dusted and my brother cleaned the floors. Mum says we must clean the house to get rid of any bad things that have **happened** over the year. We need a clean home to **welcome** the New Year.

We then helped my Dad to put up the **decorations**. We want the house to look special for New Year. The decorations are red and gold. Red is a good luck colour and we want good luck in the New Year.



Mum also put some fresh yellow flowers in a **vase** to **remind** us that spring is coming!



The next day, we put on new clothes that were red and gold. Grandma came to the house to wish us a happy New Year. She had a present for us. She gave us a red envelope and inside was money. We were so happy.

After that, my brother, my sister and I went to school. At school, we made Chinese New Year **lanterns**. We made them from paper and it was fun!

Later that day we had a meal at home with our family. We used two wooden sticks to eat with. They are called **chopsticks**. We ate a **special** soup that had round vegetables in. They are round to remind us that we all need to be together at New Year.



We wish each other a Happy New Year.



Yesterday there were more **celebrations**. There was a dragon dance in the street. Lots of people came out to see the parade. In the parade are lots of pretend dragons and lions dancing. Don't **worry**, they are just big **puppets**. People were carrying flags too.

In Chinatown, there was a big market with lots of stalls to buy things. All around were decorations, lanterns and lots of people. Everyone was wishing each other a Happy New Year.

Later on, there were **firecrackers**. They made me jump because they made loud banging noises. They bring us good luck for the new year. They also keep bad things away.



What a great start to the New Year!

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Chinese New Year Celebration – YRm/Y1d/Y2e (Green) – Text

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# My Chinese New Year Celebration – Follow-Up Work

What was the text about?

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Who do you think has written it?

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Name two things that the child did to celebrate Chinese New Year.

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How do the pictures help the reader?

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What is a celebration?

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Did the child enjoy the New Year celebrations? How do you know?

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What happened in the text?

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Is it a fiction text or a non-fiction text?

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Did you learn anything new by reading this text? If so, what?

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Would you like to go to a Chinese New Year celebration? Why?

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# My Chinese New Year Celebration – Vocab 1

Write the meaning of each of the words below.

celebrations \_\_\_\_\_

decorations \_\_\_\_\_

chopsticks \_\_\_\_\_

lanterns \_\_\_\_\_

Chinese \_\_\_\_\_

happened \_\_\_\_\_

worry \_\_\_\_\_

puppets \_\_\_\_\_

firecrackers \_\_\_\_\_

welcome \_\_\_\_\_

vase \_\_\_\_\_

remind \_\_\_\_\_

special \_\_\_\_\_

## My Chinese New Year Celebration – Vocab 2

Find the word in the box to complete the sentences below.

At school we made Chinese New Year \_\_\_\_\_.

Yesterday there were more \_\_\_\_\_.

We ate a \_\_\_\_\_ soup that had round vegetables in.

Don't worry, they are just big \_\_\_\_\_!

special      puppets      lanterns      celebrations

Find the words in the word search.

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## My Chinese New Year Celebration – SPAG

Re-write the sentences using the correct punctuation.

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we saw a dragon dance in the street

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sarah was frightened of the loud firecrackers

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Circle the words with the correct spellings.

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## My Chinese New Year Celebration – Oral Teacher Questions

What was the text about? **Getting ready for Chinese New Year and how it is celebrated.**

Who do you think has written it? **A girl or boy.**

Name two things that the child did to celebrate Chinese New Year. **Clean the house, receive gifts, put up decorations, wear new clothes, eat special food, watch a dragon dance, look at stalls in the street.**

How do the pictures help the reader? **Show what parts of the celebration look like. Help the reader to imagine what the author is saying.**

What is a celebration? **Doing something special for an important time or occasion.**

Did the child enjoy the New Year celebrations? How do you know? **Yes. It said at the end that it was a great start to the New Year.**

What happened in the text? **A family prepared for Chinese New Year then joined in with celebrations.**

Is it a fiction text or a non-fiction text? **Non-fiction. It is a recount of a series of events.**

Did you learn anything new by reading this text? **Personal response.**

Would you like to go to a Chinese New Year celebration? Why? **Personal response.**



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celebrations – **an enjoyable time which is special for a reason**

decorations – **to make something look special or attractive**

chopsticks – **two sticks used in one hand, traditionally used in ancient China to eat with**

lanterns – **a lamp with a see-through case and a handle for carrying**

Chinese – **people, places, things related to China**

happened – **already done, in the past, already taken place**

worry – **to feel anxious about something that has not yet happened**

puppets – **model of a person or animal controlled by pulling strings or moving individual parts**

firecrackers – **a loud firework**

welcome – **to greet someone or something**

vase – **a container used to hold cut flowers in**

remind – **to remember something or someone**

special – **better and different to usual**

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