Chinese New Year Foods







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The Chinese Dragon

It is a sign of good luck and the beginning of spring





New Year foods usually symbolize good luck and best wishes

Oranges and tangerine stand for wealth and good luck







Apples

peace and wisdom

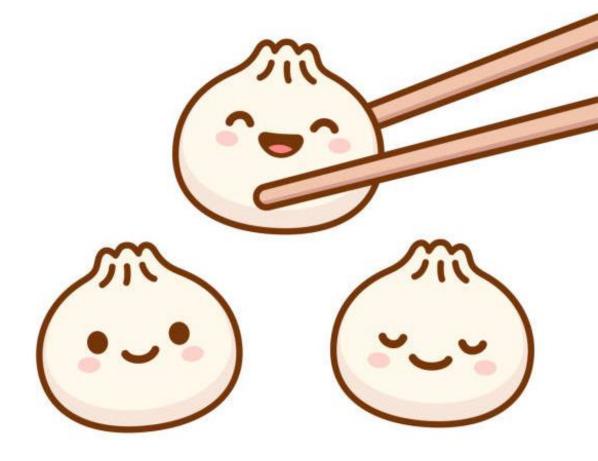


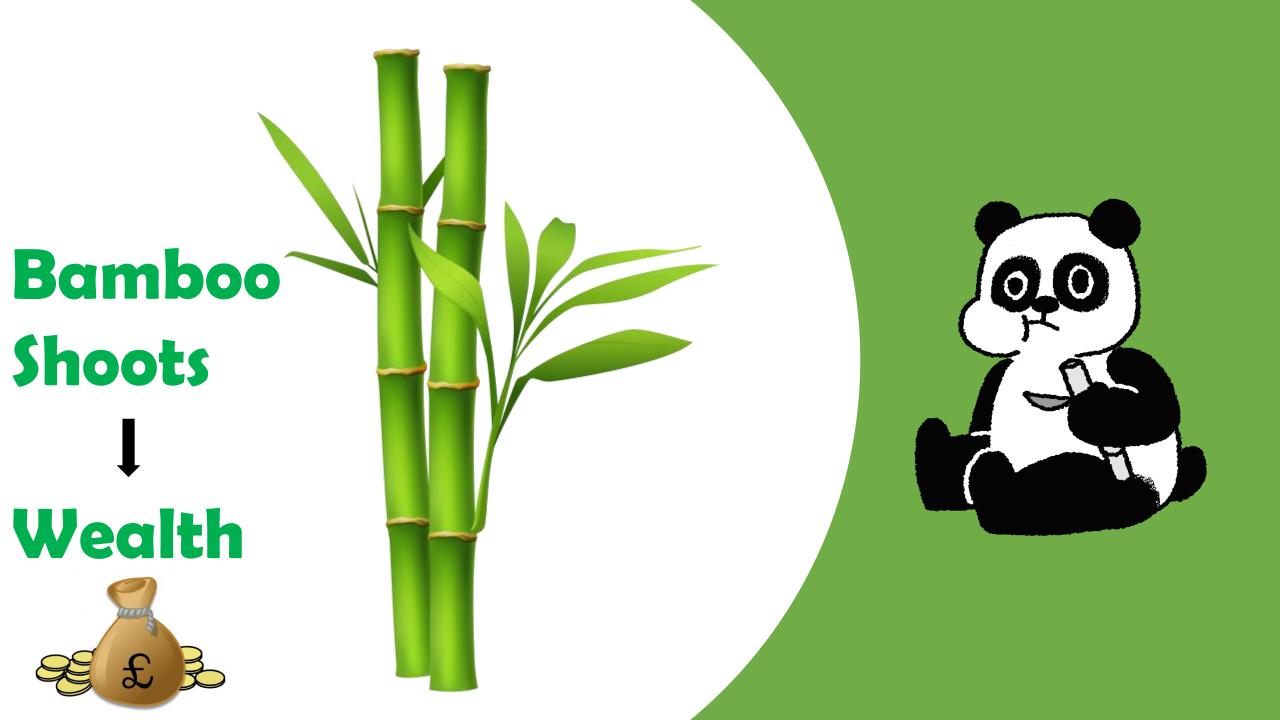




Dumpling means wealth









New Year Cake (Nian Gao) You will success in life



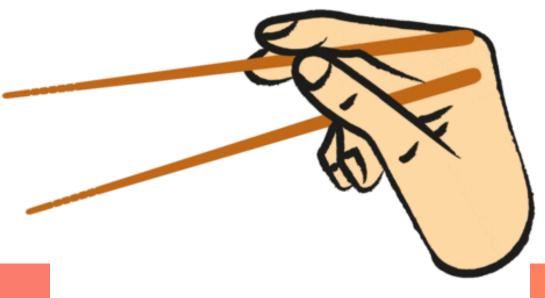
Rice balls (Tang Yuan) means togetherness

Fortune cookie is a crisp and sugary cookie with a

piece of paper inside with a message



CHOPSTICKS



Noodles



Dumplings



China is the world's largest producer of rice







Rice is an important part of almost every Chinese meal





Han-Shin was a very poor boy.

His family had nothing to eat.



Every day, Han-Shin went to the river to fish.

He sat and sat, but there were no fish.



One day, a few women were washing clothes in the river.

One old woman looked at Han-Shin.

"That boy is as skinny as the stick in his hand!" she said.



The old woman walked over to Han-Shin.

"You look hungry. Please eat this bowl of rice," she said.

Han-Shin bowed down.

"Thank you," he said.



Every day, the old woman gave Han-Shin a bowl of rice.

"I will find a way to pay you back," said Han-Shin.



When Han-Shin grew up, he became brave and kind.

He helped everyone.

The people loved him so much that they made him king!



Han-Shin and his family now had all the food they wanted.

Han-Shin never forgot his promise to the old woman.

He looked far and wide to find her.



At last, Han-Shin found the old woman.

He took her to his palace.



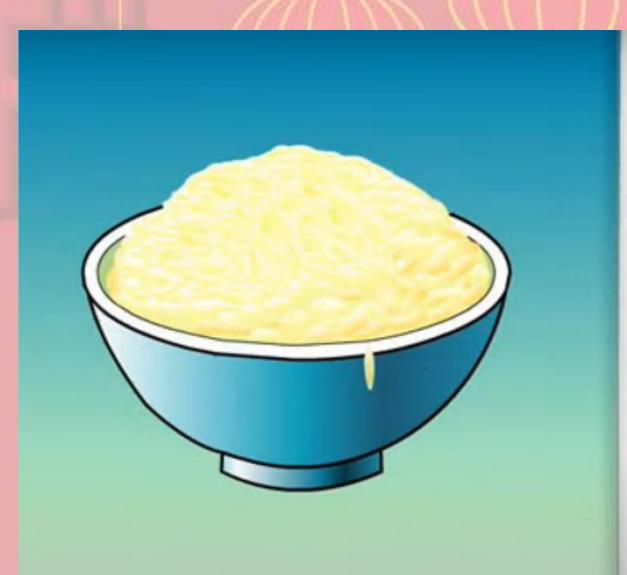
Han-Shin bowed down.

"I promised I would pay you back someday. Please take these thousand pieces of gold," he said.

He gave the old woman a bowl filled with GOLD!



"Thank you for the gold," said the old woman, "but you've already paid me back by becoming a strong and kind man."



In China, when someone repays somebody for kindness with rich reward, you might say, "One Rice Thousand Gold."

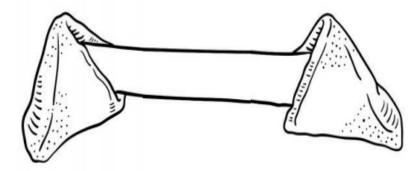
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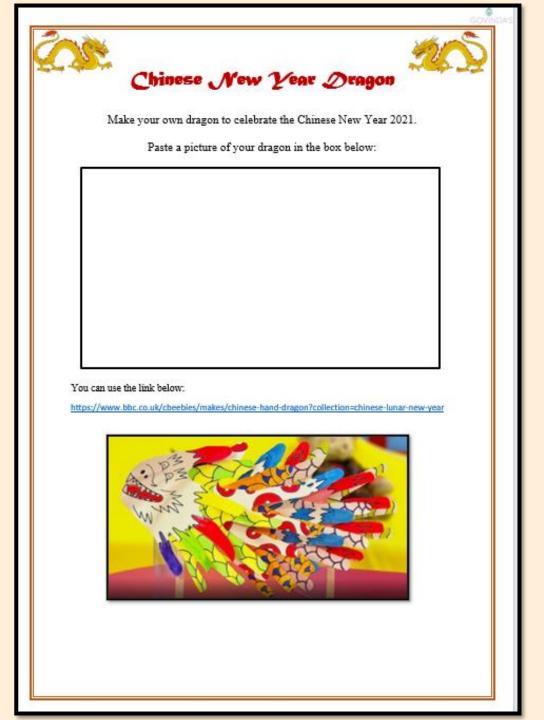


Fortune Cookie

Colour the fortune cookie and write a message below. Share it with someone special.



Home activity 2



Thank You



We wish you good fortune and health in the Year of the Ox!