

# Non-Fiction Article

{Chinese New Year}



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Middle School Teaching Resources



# RESOURCE INCLUDES

- Lesson Plan
- Teacher Instructions
- Individual PDFs for Google Drive
- Google Slides for 1:1 Schools
- Pre-reading K-W-L chart
- Non-fiction article (with and without photos)
- 3 Post reading activities
  - ✓ Comprehension questions
  - ✓ Grammar questions
  - ✓ Long response writing

# EXAMPLE PAGES

## CHINESE NEW YEAR



**What is Chinese New Year?**  
Chinese New Year is also known as the Spring Festival in China. It is celebrated by one sixth of the world's population. Celebrations take place in many East Asian and Southeast Asian countries, as well as Vancouver, New York, and other major cities across the world.

**History of Chinese New Year**  
The Chinese New Year is called the Spring Festival, but it is always celebrated for fifteen days in the winter months of the year, in either January or February depending on the moon.

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## SAMPLE ANSWERS

Explain 3 traditions that are part of Chinese New Year celebrations. (3 marks)

- People clean their houses and get rid of unwanted items. This is to help get rid of the old and welcome the new, to the home.
- The house is then decorated in red to celebrate this holiday.
- New Years Eve and Day is meant for family and a celebration of ancestors.
- Family members often give children red envelopes with money.
- New Years Eve dinner is usually done at home and includes fish and dumplings.
- At midnight, fireworks commence, with the belief that the first person to launch a firework will have good luck for the new year.

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## ARTICLE QUESTIONS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions: Answer the following questions on this paper.

4. Which sentence has the correct spelling and punctuation?

- Feasts include pork, chicken, duck, as well as different fruits, candies and nuts.
- Feasts include pork and chicken, duck, and fruits, candies and nuts.
- Feasts include pork chicken duck, as well as different fruits, candies, and nuts.
- Feasts include Pork, Chicken, Duck, and different Fruits, Candies and Nuts.

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