LUNAR NEW YEAR NON-FICTION ARTICLE PDF & DIGITAL FORMATS



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RESOURCE INCLUDES



- ✓ Detailed Lesson Plan
- ✓1 Non-Fiction Article (Regular & Modified Versions)
- ✓ Audio Files For Each Article
- ✓3 Post-Reading Activities Comprehension Questions, Journal Entries and Multiple Choice Questions
- ✓ Answer Key
- ✓ Print & Digital Formats

LESSON OVERVIEW

- 1. K-W-L Chart
- 2. Introduction Video Links
- 3. Non-Fiction Article
- 4. Post Reading Questions
- 5. Journal Entry Assessment
- 6. Google Forms Quiz



WHOLE CLASS
LESSON

JOURNAL ENTRIES INDEPENDENT WORK

LUNAR NEW YEAR ARTICLE QUESTIONS What is Lunar New Year? ne Lunar New Year marks, the first Instructions Answer the following questions on this paper. ew maon of the lunar calendar and celebrated across Asia, as well as Why was the image on page 1 selected for this article? other countries and major cities It has flowers in the background ound the world It has red and gold decorations, which are used for the holiday. The objects are on a nice fable. cles of the moon (354 days). adically, on extra month is added What do mandarin aranges symbolize in Malaysia? the lunar calendar to keep it close. How To Celebrate Good health the solar year (365 days). This is The themes of celebration for Good fortune. by the start date of the Lunar Lunar New Year are similar in many Good luck. countries. Festivities focus on Family Good sleep food, and the new year. However, intries That Celebrate there are differences in the Why is the article broken up into multiple pages? celebration has different names. selebrations, depending on which Too much text to fit on one page. different countries. The most country is marking the Lunar New To make the reading easier to read S-known has been Chinese New To montain the reader's interest or (in Chinese, it is called Churye) All of the above. ero celebratina Lunar New Year Red decorations are a popular way ludit Vietnam (Tet in Vietnamese). - to celebrate (gold is another popular Which sentence has the correct spelling and punctuation? e Koreon Peninsula (where it is colour), as is proporing and serving In Ohna popular Foods served throughout the haliday are dumplings ded Seolal). Indonesia (where it is traditional foods at family meals. rice cakes spring rolls and fish. slied Irriek), Holoyso, the In China, popular foods served throughout the holiday are dumplings. lippines. Singapore, and more. In China, popular Foods served nce cakes, giring rolls, and fish throughout the holiday are In China. Popular Foods served throughout the Holiday are dumplings. or New Year is also known as the sturnglings, nice cakes, spring rolls, nce cakes, spring rolls, and fish and Fish. In Malaysia, mandarin In Ohna, popular Foods sreved throughout the holdy are dumplings. broted by one-sixth of the oranges are a symbol of good luck. rice cakes, spring rulls, and fish. rid's population and usually occurs - while in the Philippines. Families eggy en Jonuary 21 and February a midnight Feast that includes round-shaped fruits (since that

ENGAGING LITERACY LESSON

DETAILED TEACHER PAGES

LESSON PLAN



Lesson Overview:

Students will work on their non-fiction reading skills while reading this article.

Materials Needed:

Photocopy a class set of the following or use the provided Google Slides version for 1:1 technology schools:

- K-W-L Chart
- Non-fiction article, regular or modified version (audio file also included)
- Comprehension questions, regular or modified version
- Thinking questions (select 1)
- Grammar questions (also available as a self-marking Google Forms Quiz)

Video

- Video #1: "Lunar New Year for Kids Educational Video"
- Video #2: "Why Lunar New Year's Day is the best day for kids but not really for adults in Korea"

ANSWERS

1. Why was the image on page 1 selected for this article?

- A. It has flowers in the background.
- B. It has red and gold decorations, which are used for the holiday.
- C. The objects are on a nice table.
- D. None of the above.

2. What do mandarin oranges symbolize in Malaysia?

- A. Good health.
- B. Good fortune.
- C. Goodluck.
- D. Good sleep.

3. Why is the article broken up into multiple pages?

- A. Too much text to fit on one page.
- B. To make the reading easier to read.
- C. To maintain the reader's interest.
- D. All of the above.

4. Which sentence has the correct spelling and punctuation?

- A. In China popular foods served throughout the holiday are dumplings rice cakes spring rolls and fish.
- B. In China, popular foods served throughout the holiday are dumplings, rice cakes, spring rolls, and fish.
- C. In China, Popular Foods served throughout the Holiday are dumplings, rice cakes, spring rolls, and fish.
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SAMPLE PAGES

LUNAR NEW YEAR

What is Lunar New Year?

The Lunar New Year marks the first new moon of the lunar calendar and is celebrated across Asia, as well as in other countries and major cities around the world.

The lunar calendar is based on 12 full cycles of the moon (354 days). Periodically, an extra month is added to the lunar calendar to keep it close to the solar year (365 days). This is why the start date of the Lunar New Year changes.

Countries That Celebrate

The celebration has different names in different countries. The most well—known has been Chinese New Year (in Chinese, it is called Chunjie). Others celebrating Lunar New Year include Vietnam (Tet in Vietnamese), the Korean Peninsula (where it is called Seollal), Indonesia (where it is called Imlek), Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, and more.

Lunar New Year is also known as the Spring Festival in China. It is celebrated by one—sixth of the world's population and usually occurs between January 21 and February 20

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Red and gold decorations are a popular way to celebrate.

How To Celebrate

The themes of celebration for Lunar New Year are similar in many countries. Festivities focus on family, food, and the new year. However, there are differences in the celebrations, depending on which country is marking the Lunar New Year.

Red decorations are a popular way to celebrate (gold is another popular colour), as is preparing and serving traditional foods at family meals.

In China, popular foods served throughout the holiday are dumplings, rice cakes, spring rolls, and fish. In Malaysia, mandarin oranges are a symbol of good luck, while in the Philippines, families enjoy a midnight feast that includes round—shaped fruits (since that

ARTICLE QUESTIONS /10

Name:	
Instructions: Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of lined paper.	
Comprehension Questions:	
1.	The lunar calendar is based on full cycles of the moon, but periodically, an extra is added to keep it close to the solar year. (2 marks)
2.	When does the Chinese New Year usually take place?
3.	What is the most well-known Lunar New Year celebration called?
4.	What are some ways the Lunar New Year is celebrated? (2 marks)
5.	In many countries, are exchanged with money, as well as paying respects to (2 marks)
6.	Explain 2 traditions that are part of Lunar New Year celebrations. (2 marks)

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