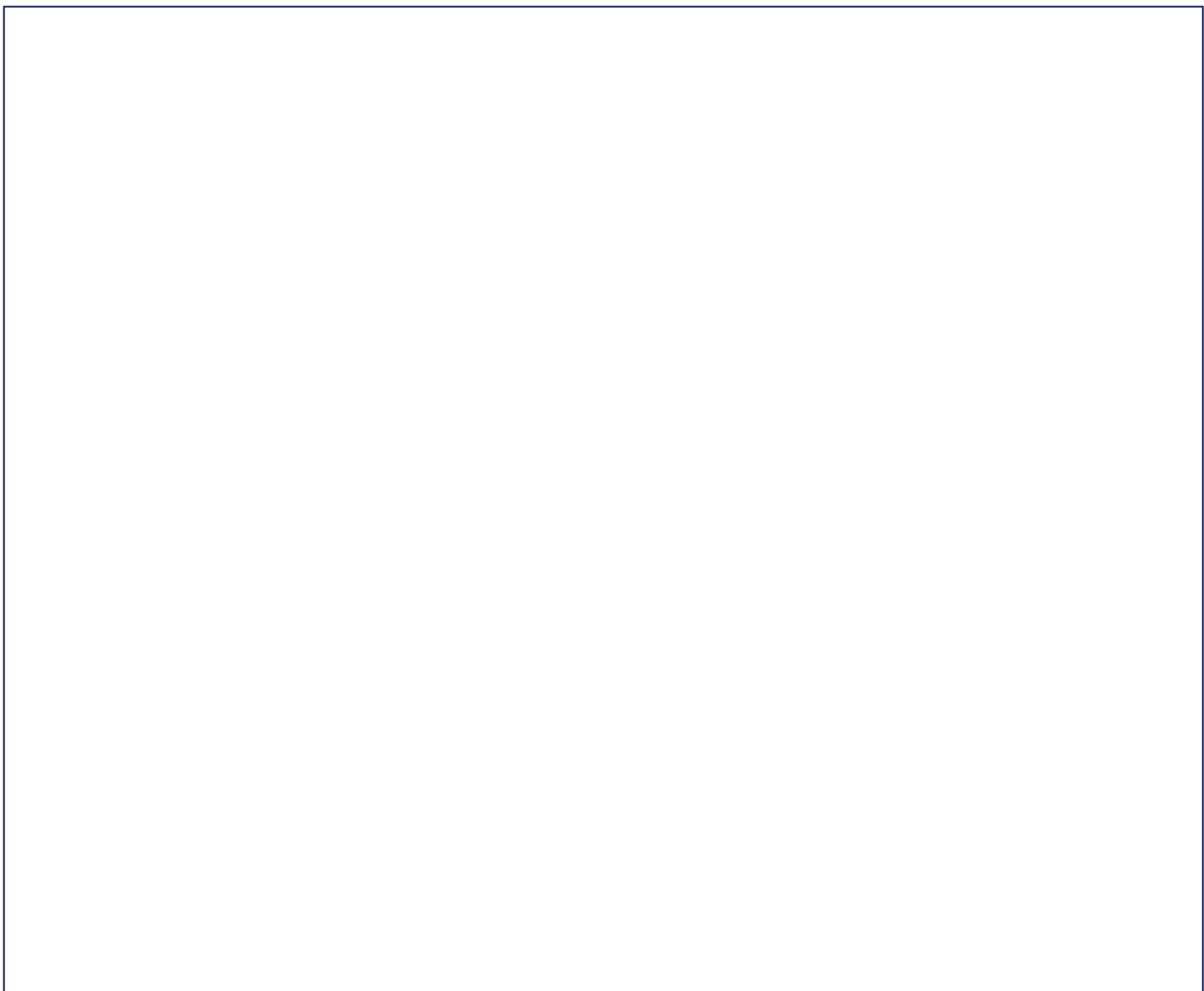


Celebrating Chinese New Year with Zara the Zebra

Learning objective: To understand the cultural significance and traditional symbols of Chinese New Year through creative representation.

Use your art skills to create a vibrant scene celebrating Chinese New Year. Follow the steps below to include traditional symbols, then use the word bank to label your masterpiece.

Draw: Create a landscape-oriented drawing of a festive Chinese New Year street celebration. In the center, draw a large, colorful dragon puppet being held up by poles. Surround the dragon with round, glowing lanterns hanging from strings. In the bottom corner, draw a small table with a red envelope resting on it. Use bright colors like red, gold, and yellow to capture the joy of the festival. Keep your lines neat and add intricate patterns to the dragon's body as Zara the Zebra would.



Label words: Red Envelope · Lantern · Dragon · Calligraphy · Firecracker

Steps:

1. Draw a traditional red lantern in the top left corner. Why is the color red significant in Chinese New Year celebrations?
2. Draw a long, decorative dragon winding through your scene. What does the dragon represent in Chinese culture?

3. Label your drawing using at least three words from the word bank provided.
4. Zara loves patterns! Design a repeating pattern for the dragon's scales. Describe the shapes you used.
5. If you were giving a red envelope to a friend, what kind gesture or wish would you include inside?