

Festivals Around the World: A Quick Quiz with Max

Learning objective: To identify and understand the significance of various religious and cultural festivals celebrated in the UK and globally.

Join Max the monkey as he explores the maths and meanings behind global celebrations. Read each question carefully and circle your answer or write it on the line provided.

Answer Key: 1. A (Diwali); 2. True; 3. Eid-ul-Fitr; 4. B (Lunar New Year); 5. False; 6. A (Vaisakhi); 7. False; 8. Hanukkah; 9. C (Eight days); 10. True. Remember, festivals are about community, sharing, and tradition!

Word bank: Diwali · Eid-ul-Fitr · Easter · Hanukkah · Lunar New Year · Vaisakhi

1. 1. Which festival is known as the 'Festival of Lights' and involves lighting diyas? A) Diwali* B) Easter C) Eid D) Vaisakhi (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Easter is a Christian festival that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus. (1 mark)

3. 3. Which festival marks the end of the month-long fast of Ramadan for Muslims? (1 mark)

4. 4. Which festival often features a colourful dragon dance to bring good luck? A) Christmas B) Lunar New Year* C) Hanukkah D) Diwali (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: All festivals are celebrated on the exact same date every single year. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which festival is the harvest celebration for the Sikh community? A) Vaisakhi* B) Eid C) Diwali D) Christmas (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: Hanukkah is an eight-day festival celebrated by the Buddhist community. (1 mark)

8. 8. What is the name of the Jewish festival where a nine-branched candelabrum is used? (1 mark)

9. 9. How long does the celebration of Hanukkah typically last? A) One day B) Five days C) Eight days* D) Twelve days (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Many festivals involve sharing special foods or treats with friends and family. (1 mark)

Draw: Max the monkey wants to see your favourite festival! Draw a scene showing a celebration you know, including at least one traditional decoration, such as a lantern, a candle, or a special type of food.



Extension challenge: Choose one festival from the word bank. Research how people prepare for this day. Does it involve special clothing, specific amounts of money spent on gifts, or particular patterns? Write a short paragraph explaining why this festival is important to the people who celebrate it.