

Diwali: The Festival of Light with Pip the Bookworm

Learning objective: To understand the cultural significance of Diwali and identify key features of the celebration through recall and descriptive language.

Read the questions carefully and talk to your grown-up about the Diwali story. Use your best handwriting to answer the questions below.

Diwali is a special festival celebrated by many families. It is known as the Festival of Light. People decorate their homes with beautiful patterns called Rangoli on the floor and light small clay lamps called diyas to show the way for goodness. It is a time for sharing yummy food, wearing new clothes, and being with the people we love.

Word bank: Diwali · Light · Diyas · Happy · Family · Rangoli · Celebrate

1. Pip the caterpillar wants to know what other name we give to Diwali. Can you write it down? (1 mark)

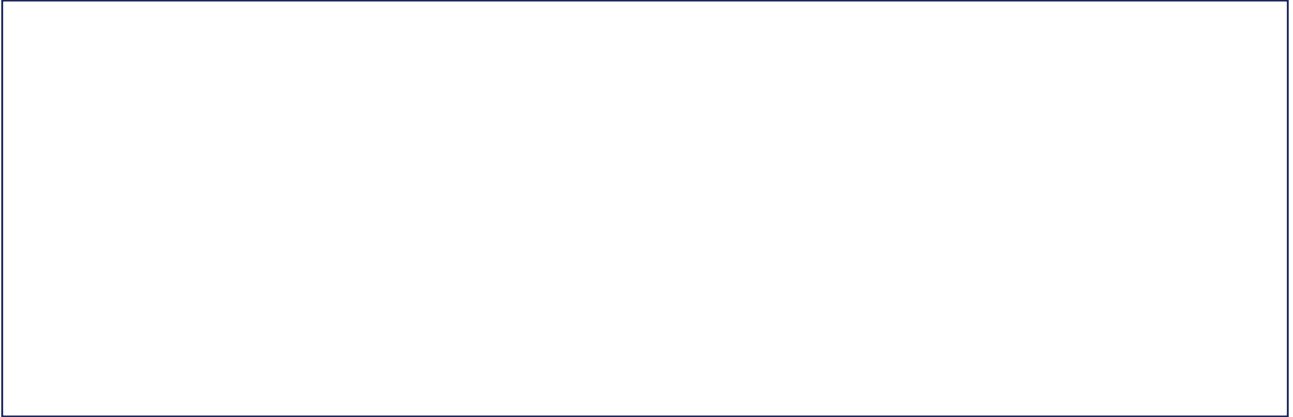
2. Why do people light diyas during Diwali? Talk about what the light represents. (2 marks)

3. What do we call the colourful patterns that people make on the floor to decorate their homes? (1 mark)

4. If you were planning a Diwali party, what is one kind of food you would share with your friends? (1 mark)

5. How do you feel when you share a special celebration with your family? Use a word from the word bank. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of a bright diya lamp glowing in the dark. Add some colourful patterns around it to look like a Rangoli design.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are making a Rangoli pattern. Use coloured pencils or chalk to create a symmetrical pattern with circles, triangles, and squares on a piece of paper or the playground.