

Ellie's Chinese New Year Fact-File

Learning objective: To identify and describe cultural celebrations, specifically Chinese New Year, by recording observations and key facts.

Help Ellie the Elephant learn about Chinese New Year! Use this fact-file to write down what you have discovered about the festival. Talk to your teacher or look at the classroom books to find the answers. You can draw a picture of your favorite tradition in the box provided.

Word bank: Red · Dragon · Lucky · Family · Lanterns · Fireworks · Year

1. The Color of Celebration: Why do you think many people use the color red during Chinese New Year?

2. Tasty Treats: What special food would you like to eat with your family to celebrate?

3. The Big Parade: If you were watching a parade, what animal would you hope to see dancing?

4. Light it Up: Describe how you would decorate your house with lanterns.

5. Family Time: Who is one person you would love to share a special meal with?

Draw: Draw a picture of a bright red lantern or a colorful dragon to go with your fact-file.



Extension challenge: Ask a friend if they have ever been to a party or a festival. How was it the same or different to Chinese New Year?