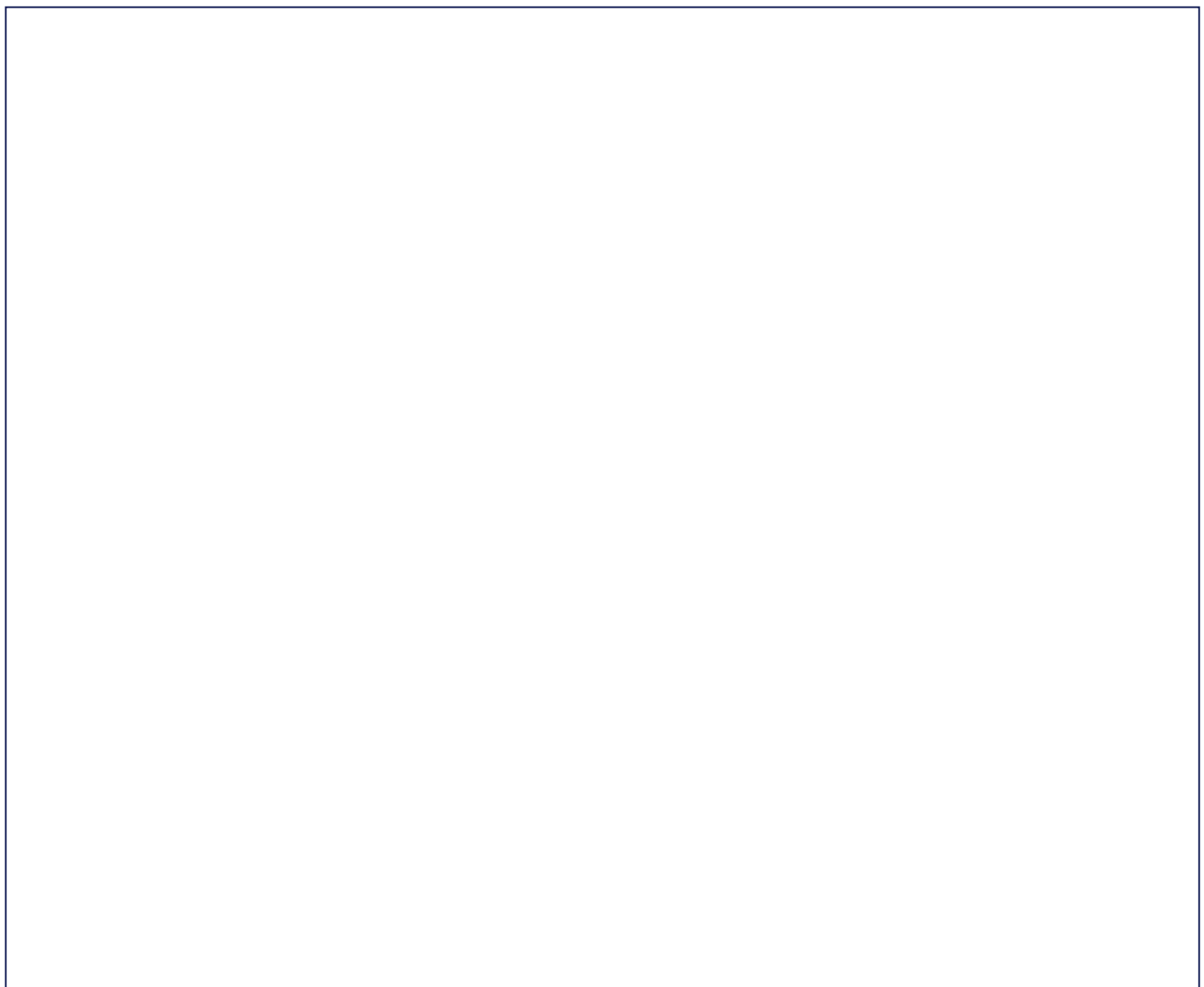


Year 5 RE: Celebrating Chinese New Year with Nova and Kit

Learning objective: To understand the significance of symbols, colours, and traditions during the Chinese New Year festival.

Use this sheet to design a scene celebrating the Lunar New Year. Follow the steps below to include key cultural symbols and explain their importance.

Draw: Draw a vibrant street scene during a Lunar New Year celebration. In the foreground, draw Kit the fox holding a red envelope, and Nova the owl observing a string of glowing lanterns hanging from above. Use a detailed, artistic style. Include a dragon dance performance in the background and ensure you incorporate patterns that represent prosperity and joy. Use a warm colour palette with emphasis on red and gold.



Label words: Lanterns · Red Envelopes · Calligraphy · Zodiac · Prosperity · Lunar Calendar

Steps:

1. Explain why the colour red is considered significant in Chinese New Year celebrations. Refer to the concept of good fortune in your answer.
2. Compare and contrast the Lunar New Year calendar with the Gregorian calendar used in the UK. Why does the date of the festival change each year?

3. Justify why families choose to clean their homes thoroughly before the festival begins.
4. Nova the owl is fascinated by the moon. Explain why the lunar cycle is central to the timing of this festival.
5. What might happen if a family did not participate in the traditional reunion dinner? Discuss the importance of family unity.
6. Choose one animal from the Chinese Zodiac. Research its traits and write a short poem from the perspective of that animal celebrating the New Year.