Diwali: The Festival of Lights with Ellie the Elephant

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey to discover the glowing traditions of Diwali!

- **Diwali is known as the Festival of Lights. Families light small oil lamps, called divas, to symbolise the victory of light over darkness and good over evil.**
- **Many people wear new, bright clothes to celebrate the occasion and show their excitement for the festivities.**
- **Families often share delicious sweets and snacks with their friends and neighbours as a sign of kindness and friendship.**
- **Homes are cleaned and decorated with flowers and lanterns to make them look welcoming and bright for the celebration.**
- **Diwali is a time for families to gather together, pray, and give thanks for the blessings they have received throughout the year.**

Did you know? Did you know? During Diwali, people create beautiful, colourful patterns on the floor near their doorways called Rangoli. These patterns are often made using coloured sand, rice, or flower petals to welcome guests and bring good luck into the home!

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