Max and the Diwali Celebration Quiz

Learning objective: To understand the significance and key traditions of Diwali, the festival of lights.

Help Max the monkey solve these Diwali puzzles! Read each question carefully and write your answer clearly.

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. False, 4. A, 5. Rangoli, 6. Light, 7. B, 8. True, 9. C, 10. True. Teachers: Diwali celebrates the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. Traditions include cleaning homes, creating colourful patterns, and lighting oil lamps.

Word bank: Diwali · Lamps · Rangoli · Light · Good · Evil · Family

1. 1. What is another name for Diwali? A) The Festival of Flowers, B) The Festival of Lights*, C) The Festival of Snow, D) The Festival of Rain (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Families often clean their homes to welcome the festival. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: Diwali is celebrated only in the morning. (1 mark)

4. 4. What are the small oil lamps called? A) Diyas*, B) Buckets, C) Torches, D) Bulbs (1 mark)

5. 5. What are the colourful patterns made on the floor called? (1 mark)

6. 6. Diwali celebrates the victory of _____ over darkness. (1 mark)

7. 7. What do people often wear during Diwali? A) Old rags, B) New clothes*, C) Swimming costumes, D) Pyjamas (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: Sharing sweets with friends and family is a common part of the celebration. (1 mark)

9. 9. Which of these is a traditional Diwali activity? A) Planting trees, B) Painting fences, C) Lighting lamps*, D) Sorting socks (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Diwali is celebrated by millions of people all around the world. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a beautiful Rangoli pattern using bright, symmetrical shapes. Think about the patterns Zara the zebra might see in her garden!

Extension challenge: Greater Depth Questions: 1. Explain why light is such an important symbol during the Diwali festival. 2. Compare and contrast how Diwali is celebrated in a home versus how it is celebrated in a local community. 3. Justify why it is important for families to share food during special celebrations. 4. What might happen if people did not decorate their homes for Diwali? 5. Why do you think patterns are used in Rangoli art? 6. Imagine you were invited to a Diwali celebration; what gift would you bring to represent friendship and why?