

Diwali: The Festival of Lights

Join Max the monkey as we explore the glowing, golden glow of Diwali!

- Diwali is known as the 'Festival of Lights'. Why do families light small oil lamps called diyas?
- The festival marks the victory of light over darkness and good over evil, bringing hope to communities.
- Many people celebrate by wearing new clothes, sharing delicious sweets with neighbours, and gathering for a special family meal.
- It is a time for reflection, where people tidy their homes to welcome Goddess Lakshmi, who is thought to bring prosperity and wealth.
- The date of Diwali changes every year because it is based on the lunar calendar, usually falling between October and November.

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

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