

St Joseph's class Knowledge organiser. Topic: Celebrations

Things I Will Learn

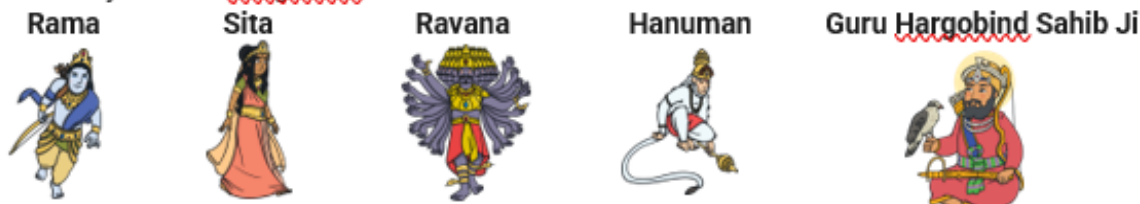
I can talk about the different things that some people do to celebrate Diwali.



I can talk about some religions that celebrate Diwali and places they may like to visit.



I can talk about some of the Diwali stories, such as the Hindu story of Rama and Sita and the Sikh story of Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji.



I can talk about some of the patterns created for Diwali.



I can talk about some of the foods that are shared at Diwali.

Stories, songs and rhymes:

Rama and Sita

Diary dates and special days:

8th November

Things to Talk About and Find Out:

- Who celebrates Diwali?
- How do people celebrate Diwali?
- Does everyone celebrate Diwali in the same way? What is the same and what is different?
- Why are lights used in the festival?
- What happens in the Diwali stories?
- What kinds of foods are eaten at Diwali?
- When is Diwali?
- What kinds of patterns are made for Diwali and what materials are used?
- Why do people give gifts and share food at Diwali?



Topic Words

First, I can try to use these words:

Diwali, festival, celebrate, celebration, special, food, share, party, diya, Rangoli pattern, light, dark, good, bad, sweets, clay, fireworks, shadow, lantern, candle, card, gift, clothes, clean, new, story, family, friends.

Then, I can try to use these words:

Describe, compare, explore, evil, overcome, mehndi, henna, design, meal, prepare, religion, Hindu, Hinduism, Rama, Sita, Ravana, Lakshmi, Ganesh, Hanuman, temple, Sikh, gurdwara, Divas, community.

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Things I Will Learn

I can talk about what happens in the Nativity story.

Angel Gabriel



star



Mary and Joseph



baby Jesus



stable



three kings



I can talk about the different things that some people do to celebrate Christmas.

putting up decorations



giving cards and gifts



eating food



carol singing



Advent calendar



writing to Santa



I can talk about the different foods people like to eat at Christmas.

turkey



Christmas pudding



mince pies



chocolate



gingerbread



candy cane



I can compare Christmas to other festivals I celebrate or know about.



I can talk about who celebrates Christmas and the places they may visit to celebrate.

Stories, songs and rhymes:

We wish you a Merry Christmas in BSL

Nativity songs.



dates and special days:

Nativity December 2026

Things to Talk About and Find Out:

- When is Christmas?
- What happens at Christmas time?
- Who celebrates Christmas?
- Do you celebrate Christmas?
- How do people celebrate Christmas?
- Does everyone celebrate Christmas in the same way? What is the same and what is different?
- What happens in the Nativity story?
- What do people like to eat at Christmas time?
- What decorations might you see during Christmas?
- What is your favourite thing to do at Christmas?
- Why do people have Advent calendars in their homes before Christmas?
- Why do people give gifts and share food at Christmas?

Topic Words

First, I can try to use these words:

Christmas, festival, calendar, December, angel, star, Mary, Joseph, baby Jesus, celebrate, special, food, share, party, candle, tree, decorate, crackers, holly, stockings, cards, food, turkey, giving, present, songs, story, Santa Claus, Father Christmas, reindeer, family, friends, church.

Then, I can try to use these words:

Describe, compare, explore, Advent, carols, Nativity, Christ, birth, celebration, noel, decorations, Christians, tradition, gingerbread, candy cane, mince pie, sleigh, wreath, manger, Bethlehem, shepherds, wise men, three kings, gold, frankincense, myrrh, community.

