



Year 1—Unit 1.1 Celebrations and Festivals



Festivals and Celebrations:

Know that Christians and Jewish people have annual or weekly celebrations including Christmas, Easter, Hanukkah and Shabbat
Know that there are songs, worship, celebrations, stories, artefacts and food within these celebrations
Know festivals from other faiths such as Diwali.

Understanding Scripture:

Know how to use information from questions to inform their own thoughts.
Know about some **stories of Jesus**.

Previous learning

- Know what it means to **celebrate**.
- Know some traditions that lie behind a **celebration** e.g. birthday presents, Christmas presents, cards and making diya lamps.
- Know that different people **celebrate** different things.
- Know some examples of how people **celebrate the festivals**.
- Know that people have different beliefs, discussing and describing **special times** with family or friends and respecting differences.
- Know which **stories** are special to them and why.
- Know that each person may have a different special **story** and respect that.

Key information

- I know that I have **celebrations** in my own life.
- I know that **celebrations** can be represented by **artefacts, food and objects**.
- I know that **Diwali** is the **celebration** of light. I know that the story **Rama and Sita** represents **goodness** will win over **evil**.
- I know that **Diya lamps** are lit during **Diwali** to **celebrate light winning over darkness**.
- I know that **Christmas** is a **celebration** for **Christians** to **celebrate the birth of Jesus**.
- I know that **Christmas** happens on the 25th December every year.
- I know that Christians **celebrate Christmas** through **Christmas carols**, church services, advent, family time, giving and receiving presents.
- I know that **Hanukkah** is a **festival of light**.
- I know that **Jewish people** show their **thanks** during **Hanukkah** for the **miracle lamp** (Hanukkah) in the story.
- I know that the **Hanukkah** is a special candle holder to **celebrate Hanukkah**.
- I know that the **Easter story** is about **Jesus' resurrection and rise from the dead**.

Big Question:

Who celebrates what and why?

Wonder
Enjoyment
Love of Language
Belonging
Empathy
Courage
Kindness

Key Vocabulary

Celebration	The action of celebrating an important day or event.
Hindu	A follower of the religion, Hinduism.
Jewish	A follower of the religion, Judaism.
Christian	A follower of the religion, Christianity.
Diwali	A religious celebration of light for Hindus.
Christmas	A religious celebration of the birth of Jesus for Christians.
Hanukkah	A religious celebration to show thanks for Jewish people.
Easter	A religious celebration of Jesus rising from the dead for Christians.
Shabbat	A religious celebration of rest for Jewish people.

