

## Chinese New Year A World Of Festivals

*In Chinese New Year, early readers will learn about this Chinese holiday and the ways people celebrate it. Vibrant, full-color photos and carefully leveled text will engage emergent readers as they explore this unique holiday.*

*Maisy is celebrating one of the world's biggest festivals: Chinese New Year! From hanging up lanterns to receiving lucky red packets and joining in the dragon dance at the parade, this bright and colourful storybook is a perfect introduction to the many joys of Chinese New Year. Maisy's friend Tiger is coming home especially for Chinese New Year! Once the house is tidy and the decorations are up, Maisy changes into her lovely red dress and throws a big party for all her friends. They have a delicious feast, tell stories, see the fireworks together and, on new year's day, watch a spectacular parade - with an amazing dragon dance! Richly illustrated in Lucy Cousins' vibrant and colourful style, this exciting and gently informative story from the multi-award-winning creator of Maisy is ideal for sharing the excitement of Chinese New Year with little ones.*

*This bilingual color concept book celebrates a rainbow of traditional objects seen during the Chinese New Year. Hóng is the color of explosive firecrackers! Jīn is the hue of lucky coins. Zǒng is the shade of sweet peanut puffs. Welcome to the festivities of the Chinese New Year, where symbolic gifts, foods, and objects come together in a celebration of beautiful colors. This vibrant, simple, and highly graphic bilingual book is the perfect introduction to Chinese and English words for colors as it honors one of the biggest holidays around the world. Includes informative back matter.*

*Chinese New Year also known as the Spring Festival (simplified Chinese: 春节; traditional Chinese: 春節; pinyin: Chūn Jié), or simply the Lunar New Year, in modern China, is an important Chinese festival celebrated at the turn of the traditional lunisolar Chinese calendar. Celebrations traditionally run from the evening preceding the first day, to the Lantern Festival on the 15th day of the first calendar month. The first day of the New Year falls on the new moon between 21 Jan and 20 Feb. The year of the Dog commences on Friday, 16 February 2018. The New Year festival is centuries old and gains significance because of several myths and customs. Traditionally, the festival was a time to honor deities as well as ancestors. Lunar New Year is celebrated in numerous Asian countries and territories, including Mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau, Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, Korea, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Mauritius, Australia, and the Philippines. Lunar New Year is considered a major holiday for the Chinese and has had strong influence on the lunar new year celebrations of its geographic neighbours. Within China, regional customs and traditions concerning the celebration of the Lunar New Year vary widely. Often, the evening preceding Lunar New Year's Day is an occasion for Chinese families to gather for the annual reunion dinner. It is also traditional for every family to thoroughly clean the house, in order to sweep away any ill-fortune and to make way for incoming good luck. Windows and doors are decorated with red color paper-cuts and couplets with popular themes of "good fortune" or "happiness", "wealth", and "longevity". Other activities include lighting firecrackers and giving money in red paper envelopes. In about one third of the Mainland population, or 500 million Northerners, dumplings (especially those of vegetarian fillings) feature prominently in the meals celebrating the festival. It is one of the world's most prominent and celebrated festivals, with the "largest annual mass human*

**migration in the world".**

**Chinese New Year Colors**

**Maisy's Chinese New Year**

**World's Greatest Word Game**

**Sarah's Passover**

From its beginnings as a farming celebration marking the end of winter to its current role as a global party featuring good food, lots of gifts and public parades, Chinese New Year is a snapshot of Chinese culture. Award-winning author and broadcaster Jen Sookfong Lee recalls her childhood in Vancouver, British Columbia, and weaves family stories into the history, traditions and evolution of Chinese New Year. Lavishly illustrated with color photographs throughout.

A festive account of one family's Chinese New Year celebration. A little girl describes the preparations—everything from cleaning and shopping to food preparation and gifts—leading up to a magical Lunar New Year. In one dreamy sequence, the girl imagines herself in Ancient China, riding on a dragon, and watching the celebration unfold.

A Chinese-American boy and his family prepare for Chinese New Year.

"Many cultures had their own way of counting the year before the western calendar became accepted around the world. The Chinese New Year, one of the biggest holidays in modern China, is based on an ancient lunar calendar. Readers explore the long history of this celebration as well as find out about the animals associated with particular years, the food, and ways people still celebrate it today. Amazing full-color photographs show off the fun of the Chinese New Year in history and today to correlate with the text for beginning readers"--

A New Year's Reunion

It's Chinese New Year!

Happy, Happy Chinese New Year!

Lunar New Year

***When her Chinese grandmother comes to visit, a young Chinese-American girl learns of and participates in the customs and beliefs celebrating an authentic Chinese New Year.***

***Examines the customs, traditions, food, and lore associated with the celebration of Chinese New Year.***

***It's almost Lunar New Year! Xiao Mi, Hang, Kwan, Malai and Charu all celebrate the New Year in their own special way.***

***Experience how each one of the Chinese, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese and Indian children and their families honor Lunar New Year, from dragon dances in China to firecrackers in India!***

***Describes the traditions, ceremonies, and foods associated with the celebration of the Chinese New Year.***

**A Celebration for Everyone**

**Festivals Around the World**

**Our Lunar New Year**

### ***With Fireworks, Dragons, and Lanterns***

*Introduces children to a varied selection of religious and cultural holidays through fascinating facts, prayers, songs, recipes, color photos, and more, and includes backmatter for parents and teachers. Learn all about the traditions of Lunar New Year—also known as Chinese New Year—with this fourth board book in the Celebrate the World series, which highlights special occasions and holidays across the globe. After the winter solstice each year, it's time for a celebration with many names: Chinese New Year, Spring Festival, and Lunar New Year! With beautiful artwork by Chinese illustrator Alina Chau, this festive board book teaches readers that Lunar New Year invites us to spend time with family and friends, to light lanterns, and set off fireworks, dance with dragons, and to live the new year in harmony and happiness.*

*"With dazzling photographs and lively, lyrical text, this book introduces young readers to the Chinese New Year and dives into the historical and cultural aspects of this festive holiday, which has become increasingly popular throughout the world, celebrated not only by Chinese and Chinese-American populations, but by many other food and multi-culture-loving people as well."*

*In these charming volumes, Little Mei asks her grandfather about each of the four different Chinese celebrations represented. He tells her the stories of Nian and the monster Xi (Chinese New Year); Qu Yuan, a patriotic poet who loved his kingdom (Dragon Boat Festival); the Jade Emperor of Heaven who ordered the earth to be destroyed by fire (Lantern Festival); and Hou Yi who shot down the suns (Mid-Autumn Festival). In Celebrating the Chinese New Year, Little Mei wants to know why her family celebrates the Chinese New Year. All her family members have their own reasons, but it is Grandpa who tells her the story of Nian and monster Xi.*

*Peppa's Chinese New Year*

### ***Celebrate Valentine's Day***

#### ***Bottling Success at the Brooklyn Brewery***

*Learn about the diverse and vibrant festivals that are celebrated around the world. This series encourages children to consider religious beliefs and cultural practices via easy-to-read text and informative, full color images.*

*Out with the old and in with the new! It's time to celebrate Chinese New Year! Clean the house. Have a feast with relatives. Watch fireworks and dragon dances. Make paper lanterns. Chinese New Year, or Spring Festival, is a celebration of new beginnings.*

*What do you get when you cross a journalist and a banker? A brewery, of course. "A great city should have great beer. New York finally has, thanks to Brooklyn. Steve Hindy and Tom Potter provided it. Beer School explains how they did it: their mistakes as well as their triumphs. Steve writes with a journalist's skepticism—as though he has forgotten that he is reporting on himself. Tom is even less forgiving—he's a banker, after all. The inside story reads at times like a cautionary tale, but it is an account of a great and welcome*

achievement." –Michael Jackson, *The Beer Hunter*(r) "An accessible and insightful case study with terrific insight for aspiring entrepreneurs. And if that's not enough, it is all about beer!" –Professor Murray Low, Executive Director, Lang Center for Entrepreneurship, Columbia Business School "Great lessons on what every first-time entrepreneur will experience. Being down the block from the Brooklyn Brewery, I had firsthand witness to their positive impact on our community. I give Steve and Tom's book an A++!" –Norm Brodsky, Senior Contributing Editor, Inc. magazine "Beer School is a useful and entertaining book. In essence, this is the story of starting a beer business from scratch in New York City. The product is one readers can relate to, and the market is as tough as they get. What a fun challenge! The book can help not only those entrepreneurs who are starting a business but also those trying to grow one once it is established. Steve and Tom write with enthusiasm and insight about building their business. It is clear that they learned a lot along the way. Readers can learn from these lessons too." –Michael Preston, Adjunct Professor, Lang Center for Entrepreneurship, Columbia Business School, and coauthor, *The Road to Success: How to Manage Growth* "Although we (thankfully!) never had to deal with the Mob, being held up at gunpoint, or having our beer and equipment ripped off, we definitely identified with the challenges faced in those early days of cobbling a brewery together. The revealing story Steve and Tom tell about two partners entering a business out of passion, in an industry they knew little about, being seriously undercapitalized, with an overly naive business plan, and their ultimate success, is an inspiring tale." –Ken Grossman, founder, Sierra Nevada Brewing Co. Learn about the diverse and vibrant festivals that are celebrated around the world. This series encourages children to consider religious beliefs and cultural traditions via easy-to-read text and informative imagery. *Discover & Learn* is a fascinating series that delves into key areas of learning. Each title features a mixture of diagrams, illustrations, and photographs to make the information accessible and exciting.

*Bringing In the New Year*

*Celebrating the Chinese New Year*

*Spring Festival Happiness*

*Ruby's Chinese New Year*

**The Cultural Holidays** illustrated nonfiction book **Chinese New Year** teaches young readers about the background, traditions, foods, and celebrations of the Asian holiday. Easy-to-read text combines with colorful illustrations to provide entertainment and facts for even the youngest audience. *Looking Glass Library* is an imprint of *Magic Wagon*, a division of *ABDO Group*. Grades P-4.

**Chinese New Year** has been celebrated for thousands of years in China. Now it is celebrated all around the world. It does not always come on the same date each year, but it is always in January or February. Readers of this volume will learn the

*meaning behind the holiday as well as the costumes, decorations, food, and other customs, such as the dragon parade, associated with it. This simple yet engaging book also provides instructions on how to make ya sui qian, or the red envelopes the Chinese use for gifts of money, as well as a recipe for fried rice.*

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*In this picture book celebrating Chinese New Year, animals from the Chinese zodiac help a little girl deliver a gift to her grandmother. Ruby has a special card to give to her grandmother for Chinese New Year. But who will help her get to grandmother's house to deliver it? Will it be clever Rat, strong Ox, or cautious Rabbit? Ruby meets each of the twelve zodiac animals on her journey. This picture book includes back matter with a focus on the animals of the Chinese zodiac. - GODWIN BOOKS -*

*Baby's First Chinese New Year*

*Celebrating Chinese New Year*

*The 12 Days of Lunar New Year*

*Lunar New Year Mad Libs*

This exuberant story follows a Chinese American family as they prepare for the Lunar New Year. Each member of the family lends a hand as they sweep out the dust of the old year, hang decorations, and make dumplings. Then it's time to put on new clothes and celebrate with family and friends. There will be fireworks and lion dancers, shining lanterns, and a great, long dragon parade to help bring in the Lunar New Year. And the dragon parade in our book is extra long—on a surprise fold-out page at the end of the story. Grace Lin's artwork is a bright and gloriously patterned celebration in itself! And her story is tailor-made for reading aloud.

Carefully leveled text and fresh, vibrant photos engage young readers in learning about the traditions and celebrations of Chinese New Year. Age-appropriate critical thinking questions and a photo glossary help build nonfiction learning skills.

Count out twelve ways to celebrate Lunar New Year! This fun-filled picture book inspired by "The 12 Days of Christmas" is perfect for fans of Natasha Wing's The Night Before series. Includes stickers! This cheery addition to the 12 Days series celebrates tradition, culture, and family in the lead-up to Lunar New Year!

Young readers and their caregivers will enjoy counting all the different ways

they can engage with their communities and honor their ancestors. This simple rhyming story is paired with warm illustrations and a full page of stickers, making these books the perfect gift for kids.

Orange trees and plum blossoms. Strings of firecrackers and clusters of gold coins. Dinners with family and offerings to ancestors. No event in the Chinese calendar holds a greater importance, or is as richly celebrated, as the Lunar New Year. This complete introduction to the holiday explores its many symbols and rituals, tracing their history and meanings, and describing the differences in its celebration from Hong Kong to Taiwan, Singapore to mainland China. Beginning with notable days in the month preceding the holiday and extending to the Lantern Festival fifteen days into the New Year, the author guides the reader through the etiquette of gift-giving and the selection of special foods, holiday greetings, and popular decorations. Many Chinese traditions have been lost forever, but in communities throughout the world the anticipation, preparation, and celebration of the Lunar New Year endures.

PoPo's Lucky Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year

Hiss! Pop! Boom!

Chinese New Year's Dragon

**Learn all about the traditions of Diwali with this third book in the delightful board book series Celebrate the World, which highlights special occasions and holidays across the globe. Each autumn we gather with our friends and family and light our brightest lanterns. It's time for Diwali, the festival of lights! In this lovely board book with illustrations from Archana Sreenivasan, readers learn that the five days of Diwali are a time to pray for a bountiful season, celebrate the special bonds between siblings, and rejoice in the victory of light over darkness and good over evil.**

**Chinese New Year begins each January or February on the first day of the new year in China's traditional calendar. This 15-day celebration is the most important holiday in Chinese communities all over the world. The celebration includes fireworks, costumes, dancers, parades, gifts of lucky money, family gatherings and feasting, and the Festival of Lanterns. It is a time to remember loved ones that have died, celebrate the past year, and look towards the new year to bring good fortune. A girl and her family prepare for and celebrate Chinese New Year.**

**When Madame Gazelle tells the children it's time to celebrate Chinese New Year, they couldn't be more excited. Peppa and her friends hang lanterns, eat fortune cookies, and put on a dragon dance! Based on the TV episode.**

**Celebrating Lunar New Year in Asian Communities**

**Celebrate Chinese New Year**

## Tastes of Lunar New Year

### Diwali

Feeling disconnected from the father whose work keeps him from home the rest of the year, Maomao enjoys a Chinese New Year visit marked by such activities as making sticky rice balls, watching a dragon dance, and searching for a hidden lucky coin.

Celebrate Chinese New Year With Fireworks, Dragons, and Lanterns National Geographic Books

Celebrate Chinese New Year with this delightful baby board book that little ones will adore. The bright and colorful images in this book are the perfect way to discover the new year holiday traditions together. From colorful lanterns, to beautiful traditional clothes, to special animals that each year is named after, Baby's First Chinese New Year features all the familiar favorites associated with Asia's biggest and brightest celebration. An ideal baby gift to develop early learning, the simple pictures and sentences promote language skills. Learn all about the amazing new year holiday with your little one! Baby's First Chinese New Year perfectly captures the joy of this special celebration and is an ideal preschool learning introduction to the traditions of the festival.

Sarah is excited to celebrate Passover! She helps get the house ready. At the seder, the special Passover dinner, she asks The Four Questions. After dinner, the children hunt for the matzah that Grandpa has hidden. Find out how families celebrate this Jewish holiday of freedom!

My First Chinese New Year

Nick's New Year

Beer School

**Chinese New Year welcomes the start of a new year. It is the most important celebration in China. People enjoy this holiday in many different ways. Chinese people follow certain traditions to make sure they have a lucky new year. Presents many of the customs, traditions, and legends associated with the Chinese New Year.**

**Ring in the holiday with some ADJECTIVE firecrackers and COLOR envelopes, and celebrate Lunar New Year with your family, friends, and Mad Libs! Lunar New Year (also known as Chinese New Year) is here, and Mad Libs is joining in the celebrations with Lunar New Year Mad Libs! Filled with good cheer and good fortune, these 21 fill-in-the-blank stories about the traditions and joy of the holiday will have the whole family ready to ring in the new year together.**