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OUR FESTIVALS

A. Warmer

Find out names of festivals in the word-puzzle-box and circle them as shown.

D	B	M	U	H	A	R	R	A	M	D
E	I	I	D	O	N	A	M	A	B	U
E	I	D	U	L	F	I	T	R	C	R
P	C	H	R	I	S	T	M	A	S	G
A	H	A	G	G	C	O	T	K	D	A
W	H	B	A	F	K	P	U	H	E	P
A	A	C	P	H	L	Q	V	I	F	U
L	T	P	U	I	M	R	W	X	G	J
I	H	E	J	J	N	S	X	Z	H	A

India is a land of festivals. People celebrate many festivals here. Diwali, Eid-ul-Fitr and Christmas are some of the important festivals.

DIWALI

Diwali is a festival of lights. On this occasion people clean and whitewash their houses. They decorate their houses with *diyas*, candles and colourful bulbs. Children wear new clothes and eat sweets.



EID-UL-FITR

Another important festival is Eid- ul- Fitr. We celebrate it at the end of Ramazan. Ramazan is a pious month of Islamic calendar. It is a month of fasting and prayers.



We wear new clothes and eat sewai and other sweets on this day.

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is a festival of joy. People celebrate it on the 25th December every year. Jesus Christ was born on this day. People decorate



churches with lights. They sing carols. They light candles at churches. People believe that Santa Claus visits the houses of devotees on this day and gives sweets to children.

Words to know

festival	फेस्टिवल	त्योहार
celebrate	से-लि-ब्रेट	मनाते हैं
occasion	अकेजन	अवसर
whitewash	व्हाइटवॉश	सफेदी करते हैं
candles	कैण्डल्	मोमबत्ती
decorate	डे-कॉ-रेट	सजाते हैं
carol	कैरल	क्रिसमस गीत
pious	पायस	पवित्र
fasting	फास्टिंग	रोज़ा, उपवास
believe	बिलीव	विश्वास करते हैं
devotees	डिवोटीज्	भक्तगण

B. Let's Think and Tell**B.1. Answer the following questions orally in a word or phrase :**

- What type of festival is Diwali?
- When do we celebrate Eid- ul- Fitr?
- When is Chirstmas celebrated ?

B.2. Answer the following questions in a phrase or sentence :

- What do children enjoy on Diwali?
- What do people sing on Christmas Day ?

**B.3. Say whether the following statements are true or false:**

- a. Diwali is a festival of lights.
- b. Ramazan is a pious month.
- c. We celebrate Christmas on the 30th November.

C. Let's Think and Write**C.1. Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the brackets :**

- a. People wear ----- clothes on Eid-ul-Fitr. (new/old)
- b. We decorate----- during Christmas.(mosque/ churches)
- c. Ramazan is ----- month. (a pious /simple)
- d. We celebrate Christmas on ----- December. (23rd / 25th)

C.2. Match the words in column 'A' with the words in column 'B' :

A	B
1. Diwali is a festival of	our houses on Diwali.
2. We clean and whitewash	a month of purification.
3. Ramazan is a	lights.

C.3. Rearrange the following words in a proper order to make meaningful sentences. The first one is done as an example :

- a. Diwali / festival / is / lights/ the / of =Diwali is the festival of lights.

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- b. We / decorate / houses /our.
- c. Eid- ul- Fitr / is / month/a/ pious.
- d. Christmas/ in December/celebrate/We.
- e. He dresses/as/ himself/Santa Claus.

C.4. Write in the space given below names of things which we eat during different festivals :

D. Let's increase word power

D.1. Rearrange the letters to make meaningful words as done below:

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drses	-----
deocarte	-----



D.2. Match the following words with the pictures.

Diwali



Eid- ul- Fitr



Christmas





E. Let's Learn

Study the following sentences from the lesson:

- (i) They eat sweets.
- (ii) People clean and whitewash their houses.

Both the sentences express habitual actions. In the first sentence the verb 'eat' and in the second the verbs 'clean' and 'whitewash' express habitual actions.

We use **eat, clean, whitewash** with **I, We, They, You**.

We use **eats, cleans, whitewashes** with **He, She, It**.

E.1. Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of verbs from the brackets :

- a. We ----- sweets on festivals. (eat/eats).
- b. Neha ----- a letter. (write/writes).
- c. Water ----- at 100°C. (boils / boil).
- d. The boys ----- on the stage. (dance/ dances).
- e. Gulshan and Surabhi ----- together. (sing/ sings).

E.2. Correct these sentences:

- a. They goes to school.
- b. Pallavi always read the Ramayana in the morning.
- c. I dances.
- d. Mrs Neera cook food.
- e. Reshma eat sewai.



E.3. Write ten sentences from your daily life which you do as your habits.

F. Let's Talk and Write

F.1. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words.

Diwali, Eid-ul- Fitr and Christmas are our important ----- . They give us ----- .

We ----- our houses and religious places.

We eat ----- on festivals.

F.2. Write the names of other festivals in the blanks given below. One has been done for you :

a. We celebrate Chhath

b. We celebrate ----- .

c. We celebrate ----- .

d. We celebrate ----- .

e. We celebrate ----- .

f. We celebrate ----- .

**G. Activity**

Draw the picture of a christmas tree and colour it.


