

# Lantern Festival

Reading Worksheet — Level C |  
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The Lantern Festival is a **beautiful** holiday in Taiwan. It happens 15 days after Chinese New Year. On this night, the moon is full and **bright**. People light up lanterns everywhere.



**Lanterns** are lights made of paper or other things.

They come in many shapes and colors. Some look like animals. Some look like **cartoon** characters. The lanterns glow in the dark.

One **tradition** is to write wishes on lanterns. Then people let the lanterns fly up into the sky. This is called a sky lantern. It is very **magical** to watch hundreds of lanterns float up.

People also eat a special food called tangyuan. These are sweet **round** balls in soup. The round shape means the family is **together**. Eating them brings good luck.

The Taiwan Lantern Festival is very **famous**. Millions of people come to see it. There are giant lanterns, music, and shows. It is one of the best festivals in the world!

## A. Vocabulary

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| 1. beautiful _____  | a. lights covered with paper      |
| 2. bright _____     | b. giving off a lot of light      |
| 3. lanterns _____   | c. shaped like a circle or ball   |
| 4. cartoon _____    | d. very pretty to look at         |
| 5. tradition _____  | e. big celebrations or parties    |
| 6. magical _____    | f. wonderful like magic           |
| 7. round _____      | g. known by many people           |
| 8. together _____   | h. a funny drawing or character   |
| 9. famous _____     | i. something people do every year |
| 10. festivals _____ | j. with each other                |

## B. True or False

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1. The Lantern Festival is 15 days after Chinese New Year. \_\_\_\_
2. The moon is new on this night. \_\_\_\_
3. Lanterns only come in one color. \_\_\_\_
4. People write wishes on sky lanterns. \_\_\_\_
5. Tangyuan is a salty food. \_\_\_\_
6. The round shape means family is together. \_\_\_\_
7. Only a few people visit the festival. \_\_\_\_
8. There are giant lanterns at the festival. \_\_\_\_
9. Sky lanterns fly up into the sky. \_\_\_\_

## C. Fill in the Blanks

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**Word Bank:** beautiful, bright, lanterns, tradition, magical, round, famous

1. The Lantern Festival is a \_\_\_\_\_ holiday in Taiwan.
2. On this night, the moon is full and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ come in many shapes and colors.
4. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to watch lanterns float up into the sky.
5. The Taiwan Lantern Festival is very \_\_\_\_\_.

## D. Comprehension Questions

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1. When is the Lantern Festival?
2. What are lanterns made of?
3. What do people write on sky lanterns?
4. What is tangyuan?
5. Why do people eat round foods?

## E. Discussion Questions

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1. Would you like to see a sky lantern festival? Why?
2. What would you write on your lantern?
3. Does your country have a festival with lights?

# Answer Key

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**A. Vocabulary:** 1-h, 2-c, 3-i, 4-j, 5-f, 6-a, 7-g, 8-b, 9-d, 10-e

**B. True/False:** 1-T, 2-F, 3-F, 4-T, 5-F, 6-T, 7-F, 8-T, 9-T

**C. Fill Blanks:** 1-beautiful, 2-bright, 3-Lanterns, 4-magical, 5-famous

**D. Comprehension:**

1. 15 days after Chinese New Year
2. Paper
3. Wishes
4. Sweet round balls in soup
5. The round shape means family is together