



CHINESE NEW YEAR



1. Look at the pictures. Have you ever seen any of them? Can you say how they are connected to the Chinese New Year?



A DRAGON



A DECORATED TEMPLE



THE NIAN GAO CAKE



DRAGON COSTUMES



TRADITIONAL LANTERNS



RED ENVELOPES

Chinese New Year is huge. Every year, people go and watch the parade. You can see the **Dragon Dance**, which brings good luck. A lot of people are dressed up with **dragon costumes**. The longer the dragon dance goes on, the more luck the community will have.

Usually, the **temples** close before dark, but at Chinese New Year, they open in the evening and are **decorated** with thousands of **lanterns** and lights.

Nian Gao cake, is a kind of rice cake. In the Chinese tradition, it's an offering to the Kitchen God. It's **sticky**, so it makes it difficult for him to talk and say bad things about humans to the Jade Emperor, the ruler of heaven.

Hongbao, is a **red envelope** with money in it. Relatives give them to unmarried children in the family.

EXTRA ACTIVITY

Open the links, read the text and do the activities.

TEXT:

https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/sites/teens/files/chinese_new_year_-_text_6.pdf

ACTIVITIES:

https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/sites/teens/files/chinese_new_year_-_exercises_5.pdf

OPPOSITES

1. Match the verbs to make pairs of opposites

arrive - leave

arrive	ask	begin	drop	find
forget	give	love	see	shout
				sit

answer	cry	finish	hear	leave
lose	pick up	remember	stand	take
				whisper

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| 1- | 6- |
| 2- | 7- |
| 3- | 8- |
| 4- | 9- |
| 5- | 10- |

2. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in exercise 1.

1 Can I you a question

2 Millie always..... when she watches a sad film.

3 I can't my calculator. It isn't in my school bag.

4 Don't rubbish in the street. Put it in the bin.

5 Is this chair free? Can I here?