

## Mandarin Chinese Quarter 3 Study Guide

### Chinese New Year 中国新年



### Overview

Chinese New Year is celebrated by more than 20% of the world. It's the most important holiday in China and to Chinese people all over. In China, you'll hear it being called *chūn jié* (春节), or the Spring Festival. It's still very wintry, but the holiday marks the end of the coldest days. People welcome spring and what it brings along: planting and harvests, new beginnings and fresh starts.

### Guiding Question

What are the traditions of Chinese New Year?

## Lessons

- 10 Things You Didn't Know About Chinese New Year
- Story: Chelsea's Chinese New Year
- Reading: Celebrate the Spring Festival
- The 12 Chinese Zodiac Animals
- Lantern Festival 灯节/元宵节

## Individual Work:

\_\_\_\_\_ Character writing (due in class)

Following the stroke order, trace and write the characters on the provided worksheets.

\_\_\_\_\_ Vocabulary cards

Make vocabulary cards with index cards. Write the character on one side; sound and meaning on the other side. These cards will be used in the vocabulary test.

\_\_\_\_\_ Sentence pattern (worksheet due in class)

\_\_\_\_\_ Lantern Festival booklet

## Group Project:

\_\_\_\_\_ Chinese New Year Tradition Booklet and Presentation

- Each group will make a 10 page booklet about Chinese New Year traditions.
- Each page of the booklet needs to include a topic sentence (in English), main idea Chinese words (in Chinese character and Pinyin), and a picture.
- Make a presentation about your booklet. (Please use as much Chinese as you can.)
- This project is a review and reflection about what we learned in this unit. We will vote for the best group, and the winners will receive red envelopes from Ms. Sun.

## Assessment:

Vocabulary quiz, unit test, booklets, and presentation