

Blend Sort

Read each word. Write it under its ending sound.

lamp**hand****gift****pink****jump****sand****lift****wink****mp****nd****ft****nk**

The third box is for an ending-sound word you think of!

Finish the Word

Look at the picture. Write the missing ending to finish the word.

Word bank:

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ft

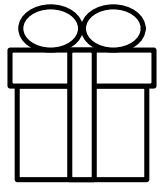
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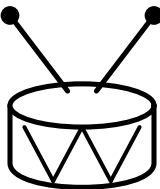
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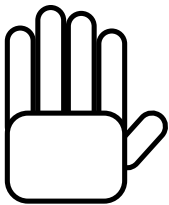
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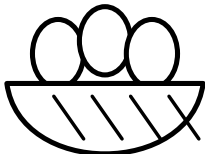
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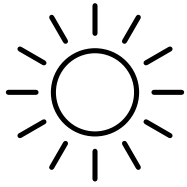
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Sound Boxes

Say the word. Tap each sound. Write a letter in each box. Then write the word.



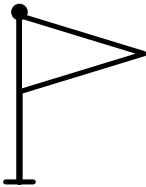
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Hint: sh is one sound, so it goes in one box!

Diwali Sentences

Read each sentence. Draw what it says in the box.

1. A lit lamp is on the step.

2. Dad has a pink gift.

3. Kim and Sam clap and jump.

4. Pat dips a hand in pink sand.

Word Parts

Clap the parts of each word. Write each part in a box.

sunset

+

lantern

+

candle

+

tinsel

+

rangoli

3 parts!

+

+

Diwali

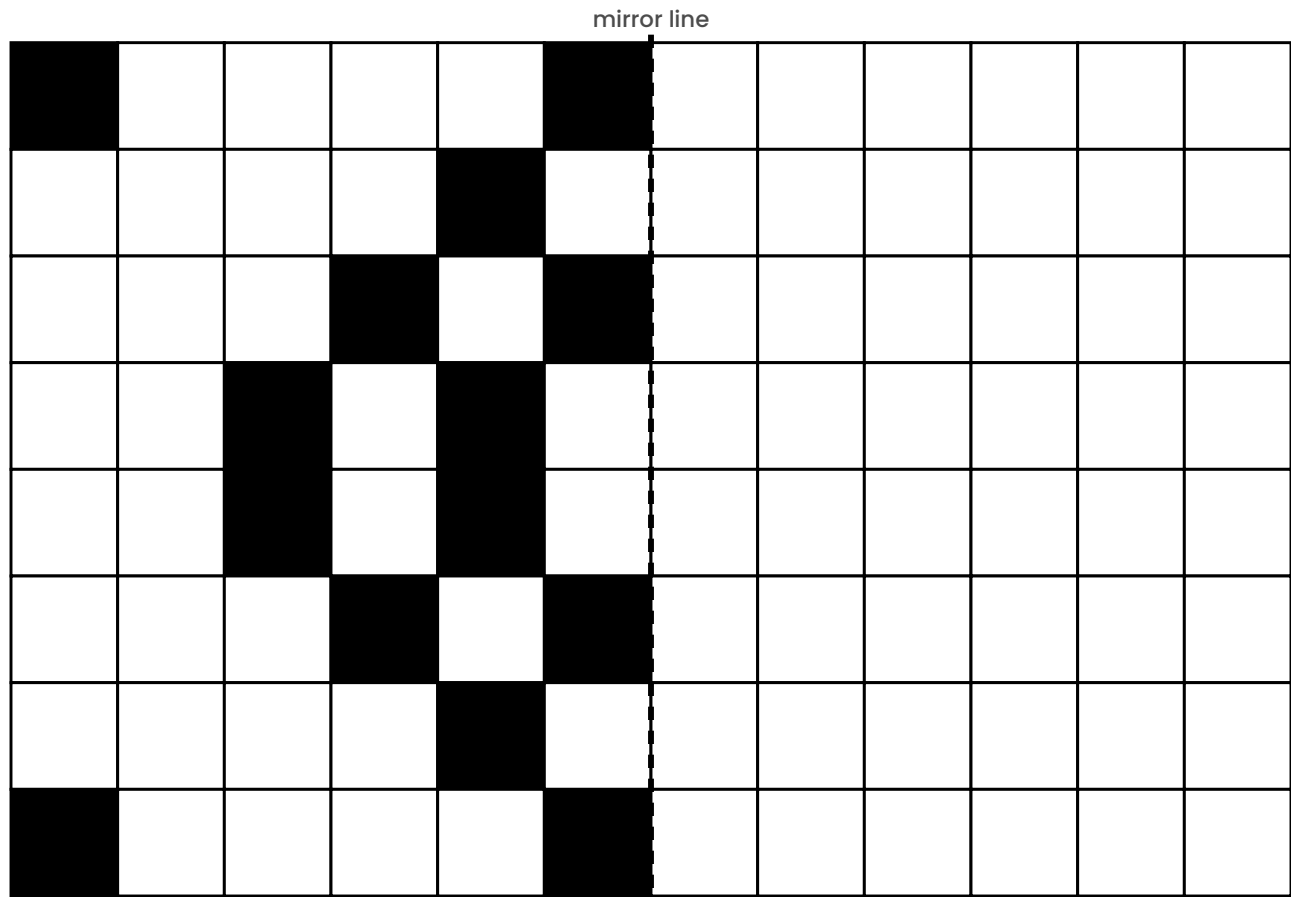
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Mirror Rangoli

The left side is done. Color the squares on the right side so both sides match.



1. Count the black squares on the left side: _____

2. Left side + right side: _____ + _____ = _____

Cut-and-Staple Mini-Book

Cut on the dashed lines. Put the pages in order. Staple on the left. Read it, then draw each picture.

Kim's Lit Lamp

A Diwali phonics mini-book



1

Kim has a lamp.



2

Dad fills the lamp.



3

A wick sits in the lamp.



4

Dad lit the wick.



5

The lamp is lit!



6

Glad Kim claps!



Draw your own lamp!



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Teacher Notes and Answer Key

Diwali Phonics: blends and digraphs with short vowels

These pages are a Diwali companion to Spooky Phonics. They practice reading and spelling closed-syllable words with short vowels and ending blends (mp, nd, ft, nk, st), the beginning blend dr, and the digraph sh. Page 5 practices syllable counting and page 6 practices symmetry and doubles. Page 7 is a decodable mini-book students cut out and staple. Each page takes about 10 to 15 minutes, and the mini-book about 20.

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Heart words and Diwali words

Heart words on these pages: a, the. Diwali words students may ask about (not decodable yet): diya (DEE-yah), rangoli (rahn-GO-lee), Diwali (dih-WAH-lee).

About Diwali

Diwali is the festival of lights, celebrated by many Hindu, Jain, Sikh and some Buddhist families in India and around the world, usually in October or November. Families light small oil lamps called diyas, make colorful floor patterns called rangoli, share sweets and visit each other. Many people think of it as light winning over darkness. You can use these pages as a plain language arts lesson, or invite a student who celebrates Diwali to share. Ask: Does your family have a holiday with lights?

Answer key

1. Blend Sort

mp: lamp, jump. nd: hand, sand. ft: gift, lift. nk: pink, wink. (Words in each column can be in either order.)

2. Finish the Word

lamp (mp), gift (ft), drum (dr), hand (nd), nest (st).

3. Sound Boxes

sun = s-u-n, sand = s-a-n-d, flag = f-l-a-g, dish = d-i-sh (sh shares one box).

4. Diwali Sentences

Drawings will vary. Look for the details: a lit lamp on a step, a dad with a pink gift, Kim and Sam clapping and jumping, and Pat dipping a hand in pink sand.

5. Word Parts

sun + set, lan + tern, can + dle, tin + sel. Three parts: ran + go + li, Di + wa + li.

6. Mirror Rangoli

The right side should mirror the left. The left side has 14 black squares, so $14 + 14 = 28$ in all.

7. Mini-Book

Read in order: Kim has a lamp. Dad fills the lamp. A wick sits in the lamp. Dad lit the wick. The lamp is lit! Glad Kim claps!

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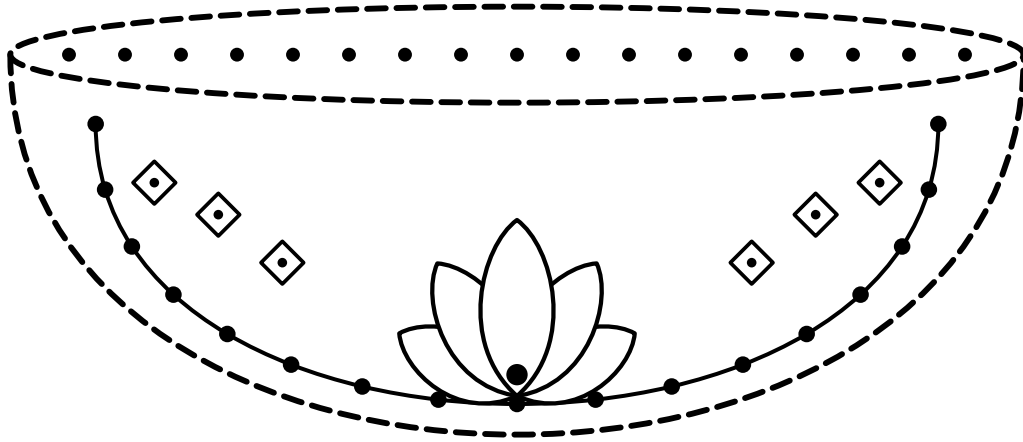


Build a Diya



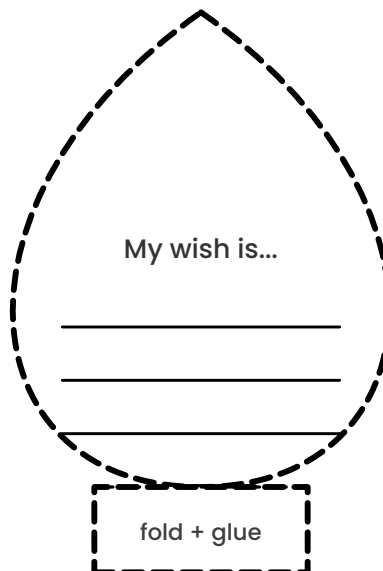
Color it. Cut it out. Make a lamp that stands up!

- 1 Color the diya.
- 2 Cut out the diya and the flame on the dashed lines.
- 3 Write a wish on the flame.
- 4 Glue the tab behind the diya so the flame stands up.



Tip

Glue the tab on the back of the diya, right behind the rim.



Wish ideas

- to be kind
- to help a friend
- to share with family
- to learn something new



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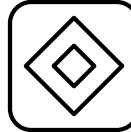
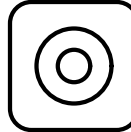
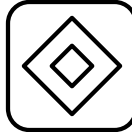
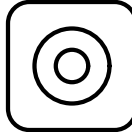
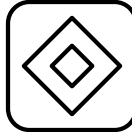
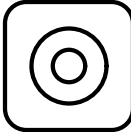


Rangoli Pattern Builder

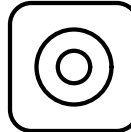
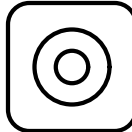
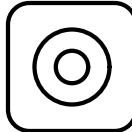
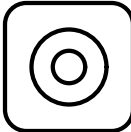


A pattern repeats. Cut out the tiles at the bottom and paste them to finish each pattern.

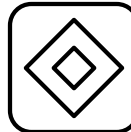
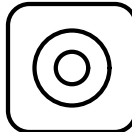
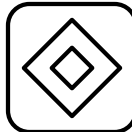
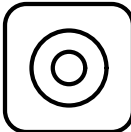
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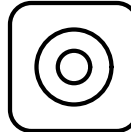
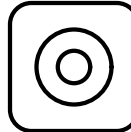
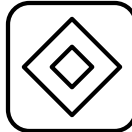
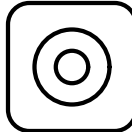
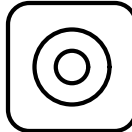
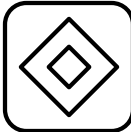
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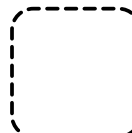
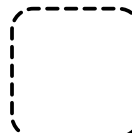
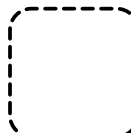
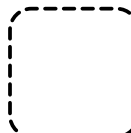
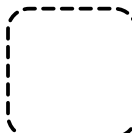
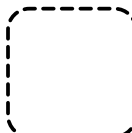
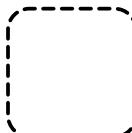
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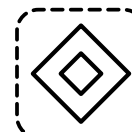
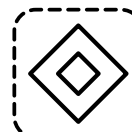
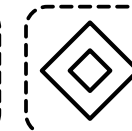
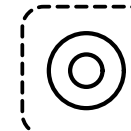
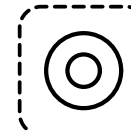
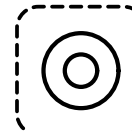
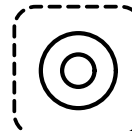
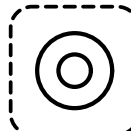
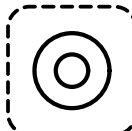


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Draw your own pattern!

Cut out the tiles



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Festival of Lights Garland



Finish each sentence and decorate. Cut out, punch a hole at the top, and hang the lanterns on a string.



punch



Light helps me...



by _____



punch



I am thankful for...



by _____



punch



I can share light by...



by _____



punch



My Diwali wish is...



by _____



Teacher Notes

Diwali Light-Up Craft Pack

A short set of hands-on Diwali activities. Each page practices a skill while students make something to keep or display. No prep beyond copying. Each page takes about 20 to 30 minutes.

What is in the pack

1. Build a Diya (fine motor, writing).

Students color and cut a lamp and a flame, write a wish on the flame, and glue the tab so the flame stands up. Copy on card stock if you have it.

2. Rangoli Pattern Builder (patterns, math).

Students cut out shape tiles and paste them to finish AB, AAB, ABC and ABB patterns, then draw a pattern of their own.

3. Festival of Lights Garland (writing, sharing).

Students finish a sentence on each lantern. Punch a hole in the top, thread yarn through, and hang the lanterns as a class garland, like a toran, the decorative hanging many families put over a doorway at Diwali.

Materials

Scissors, glue sticks, crayons or markers, a hole punch, and yarn or string for the garland.

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Answer key: Rangoli Pattern Builder

Shapes: o = circle, d = diamond, t = triangle.

Pattern 1 (AB). circle, diamond, circle, diamond, circle, diamond, then circle, diamond.

Pattern 2 (AAB). circle, circle, triangle, circle, circle, triangle, then circle, circle.

Pattern 3 (ABC). circle, diamond, triangle, circle, diamond, triangle, then circle, diamond.

Pattern 4 (ABB). diamond, circle, circle, diamond, circle, circle, then diamond, circle.

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