



Unit 4 Holidays around the world  
**LESSON 2 Mid-Autumn Festival**

LEARNING OBJECTIVE  
In this lesson, you will learn to describe  
Mid-Autumn Festival food and activities.



**51Talk**  
无忧英语

## 1 Warm-up

How did you celebrate the last Mid-Autumn Festival?



**Words and phrases you may want to use:**

- visit parents
- get together
- eat mooncakes

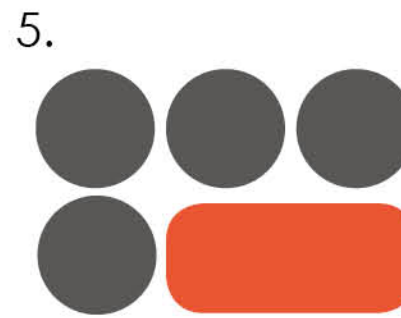


## 2 New words and expressions

### Matching game



lunar month



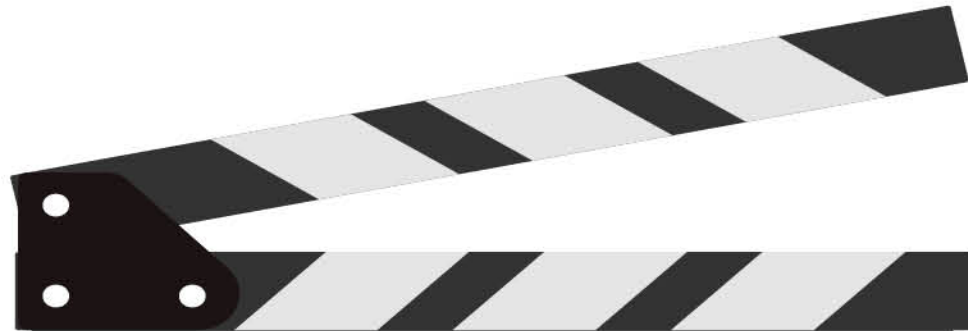
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differ ['dɪfə(r)] from  
celebrate ['selɪbreɪt]  
enjoy [ɪn'dʒɔɪ] the full moon  
tasty ['teɪstɪ]

Let's go through the sentences. Pay attention to the words in red.

- The Chinese New Year falls on the 1st day of the 1st **lunar month**.
- Jim's method for studying English **differs from** yours completely.
- Julia is going to **celebrate** her husband's birthday at home with some friends.
- People sit outdoors after dinner to **enjoy the full moon** on Mid-Autumn Festival.
- I had a simple but **tasty** meal.

## 3 Speaking naturally

### 1. Conversation setting



**Who:**

A Chinese girl Daisy and an American girl Jane (friends)

**Where:**

On campus

**Talking about:**

Mid-Autumn Festival



***Let's see what Daisy and Jane talk about.***

### 3 Speaking naturally

## 2. Conversation and activity

**Daisy:** Jane, do you have any plans for Friday night?

**Jane:** I don't think so. Why do you ask?

**Daisy:** Well, it is Mid-Autumn Festival this Friday. My family will have a special dinner. Would you like to come?

**Jane:** I'd love to. Thank you so much for inviting me, but I don't know anything about this festival. Is it always on a Friday?

**Daisy:** Not always. The festival falls on the 15th day of the 8th **lunar month**, so the date of this festival **differs from** year to year.

**Jane:** That is interesting. How do you **celebrate** this festival?

**Daisy:** Well, the two main things we do are **enjoying the full moon** and eating mooncakes.

**Jane:** What is a mooncake?

**Daisy:** It's a round cake with a certain filling. It's so **tasty**!

**Jane:** Oh, I can't wait to taste the mooncake now!

### Which are NOT Mid-Autumn Festival activities?





## 3 Speaking naturally

### 3. Conversation and comprehension

**Daisy:** Jane, do you have any plans for Friday night?

**Jane:** I don't think so. Why do you ask?

**Daisy:** Well, it is Mid-Autumn Festival this Friday. My family will have a special dinner. Would you like to come?

**Jane:** I'd love to. Thank you so much for inviting me, but I don't know anything about this festival. Is it always on a Friday?

**Daisy:** Not always. The festival falls on the 15th day of the 8th **lunar month**, so the date of this festival **differs from** year to year.

**Jane:** That is interesting. How do you **celebrate** this festival?

**Daisy:** Well, the two main things we do are **enjoying the full moon** and eating mooncakes.

**Jane:** What is a mooncake?

**Daisy:** It's a round cake with a certain filling. It's so **tasty**!

**Jane:** Oh, I can't wait to taste the mooncake now!

#### Answer the questions:

1. When is Mid-Autumn Festival?

*It falls on ...*

2. What is a mooncake?

*It's a ...*

### 3 Speaking naturally

#### 4. Practice

**Daisy:** Jane, do you have any plans for Friday night?

**Jane:** I don't think so. Why do you ask?

**Daisy:** Well, it is Mid-Autumn Festival this Friday. My family will have a special dinner.  
Would you like to come?

**Jane:** I'd love to. Thank you so much for inviting me, but I don't know anything about this festival.  
Is it always on a Friday?

**Daisy:** Not always. The festival falls on the 15th day of the 8th \_\_\_\_\_, so the date of  
this festival differs from year to year.

**Jane:** That is interesting. How do you \_\_\_\_\_ this festival?

**Daisy:** Well, the two main things we do are enjoying the full moon and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Jane:** What is a mooncake?

**Daisy:** It's a round cake with a certain filling. It's so \_\_\_\_\_!

**Jane:** Oh, I can't wait to taste the mooncake now!



## 4 Task

### Speak out

**Teacher** Hey, ... (student's name) I heard Mid-Autumn Festival is coming. What is the date exactly?

It's ...

**You**

**Teacher**

...

...

**You**

**Teacher**

...

...

**You**

### Word tips

- lunar month
- enjoy the full moon
- eat mooncakes
- tasty
- get together



## 5 Summary

What did you learn in this lesson?

Words and phrases:

Sentences:

***Let's check the next page!***

## 5 Summary

You have learned the following vocabulary and sentence patterns to describe Mid-Autumn Festival food and activities.

### Words and phrases:



celebrate



tasty



lunar month



differ from



enjoy the full moon

### Sentence patterns:

The festival falls on ...

(Make a sentence)

How do you celebrate ...?

(Make a sentence)

