

Celebrations Around the World — Holi

Base Sheet

Activity Sheet

The child learns about Holi, the Hindu festival of colors celebrated in India and around the world. This lesson explores the traditions, stories, and joy of this spring celebration, building cultural awareness and appreciation for diversity.

What You Need:

- Pictures of Holi celebrations
- Colored chalk (crushed into powder) or tempera paint
- Large paper
- Glue
- Globe to locate India
- Optional: Indian sweets to taste

Steps:

1. 'Holi is a celebration from India — the Festival of Colors! It celebrates spring and the victory of good over evil.'
2. Show pictures of Holi celebrations: people throwing colored powder, bonfires, sweets.
3. Tell the story of Holika and Prahlad (simplified): good triumphs over evil.
4. 'People throw colored powder at each other — everyone gets covered in rainbow colors!'
5. Activity: create Holi-inspired art using colored powders (chalk dust) on paper.
6. Discuss: 'What does it mean to celebrate spring? What other spring celebrations do you know?'

Work Space:

Montessori Homeschool • Print on US Letter (8.5 x 11") • Activity sheet — print on standard paper