Hello, everyone. My name is Yang Jinghang. I am a Grade Five student in Guangzhou Experimental School Affiliated to Beijing Normal University. My favorite festival is the Spring Festival, also known as the Chinese New Year, it is the most important traditional festival in China and a time for family reunions, joys, and new beginnings. I look forward to it every year because it is full of fun activities and delicious food.

Before the festival, we clean our house to sweep away bad luck and decorate it with red lanterns, paper cuttings, and couplets with lucky words. This makes our home look festive and beautiful. People also buy new clothes to wear on New Year's Day, hoping for a fresh start in the coming year.

On the New Year's Eve, my family gathers for a big reunion dinner. We eat special dishes like dumplings, fish, and spring rolls, which symbolize good luck, wealth, and happiness. After dinner, we set off firecrackers and fireworks to drive away bad spirits. Many people also stay up late, traditionally called "shousui" to welcome the new year.

On the first day of the new year, we visit our grandparents and other relatives. The elders give us red envelopes with lucky money, which is meant to bring good fortune. It is exciting to receive red envelopes. Many families also watch the Spring Festival Gala on TV, which is the special program with singing, dancing, and comedy performances.

During the holiday, some families choose to travel, while others stay at home to enjoy the festive atmosphere. Children love playing with fireworks, eating sweets, and spending time with their loved ones. The celebrations usually last for fifteen days and end with the Lantern Festival, where people enjoy sweet rice dumplings and admire beautiful lantern displays.

I love the Spring Festival because it brings my family together and fills our hearts with happiness. It is a time to say goodbye to the past and welcome a bright future. That is why it is my favorite festival.