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# Fun Days

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## Read to Find Out

How are holidays alike? How are they different?

### STRATEGIES & SKILLS AT A GLANCE

#### Comprehension

- Strategy: Analyze Structure
- Skill: Setting

#### High-Frequency Words

- around, begin, brought, certain, minute, straight

#### **ELD** Vocabulary

- country, holidays

#### Phonics

- 2-syllable words

### CONTENT STANDARDS

#### Social Studies

- Culture and Diversity

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People all around the world like holidays. People do things together on holidays.





📍 It is Thanksgiving Day in the United States.

This holiday begins with a parade! The marchers keep the big balloons straight.



Today people are happy for  
the things they have.



It is Thanksgiving Day in Korea.

This family serves certain foods for the holiday. They have many good things to eat.

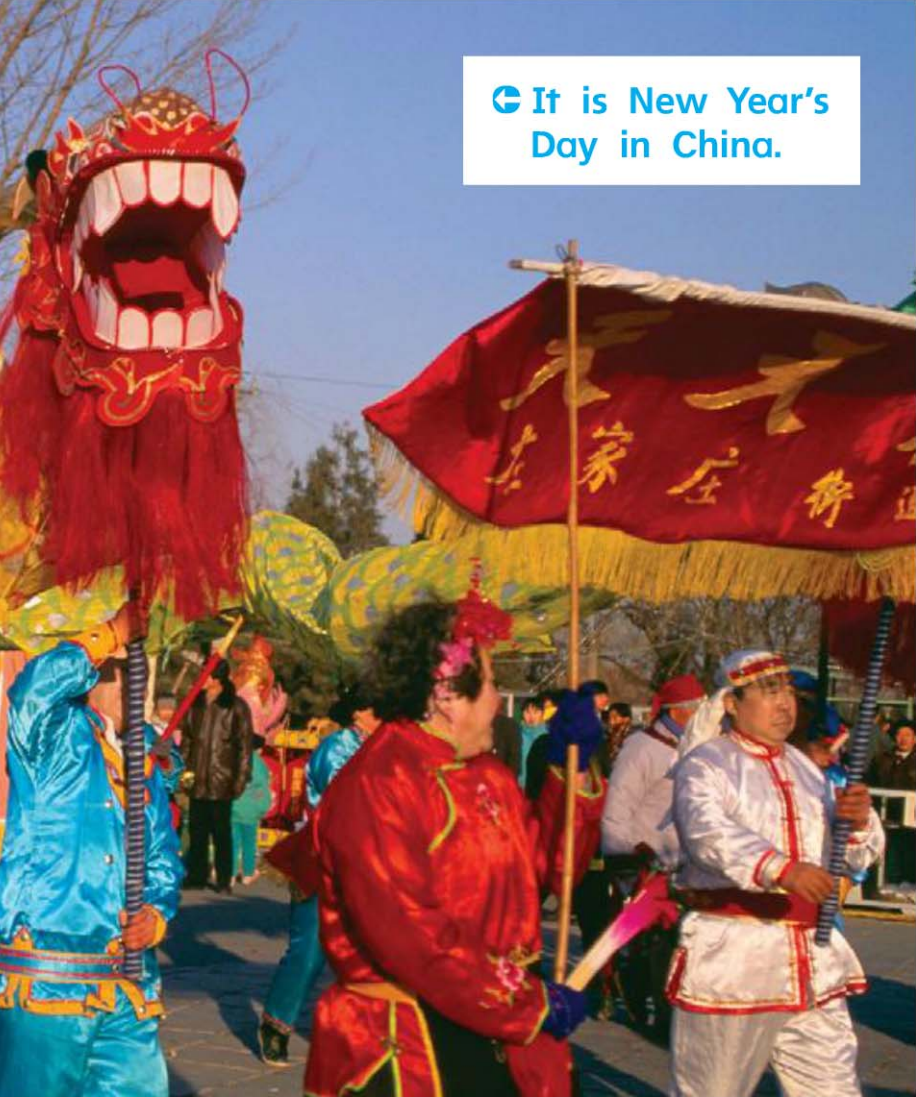




Today these people walk in  
a parade, too.



🕒 It is New Year's Day in China.



It is fun to see the big yellow dragon.



Today boys and girls dance around a pole. The boys and girls hold ribbons when they dance.



☺ It is May Day  
in England.



The boys and girls  
celebrate a season. Which  
season is it? It is spring!



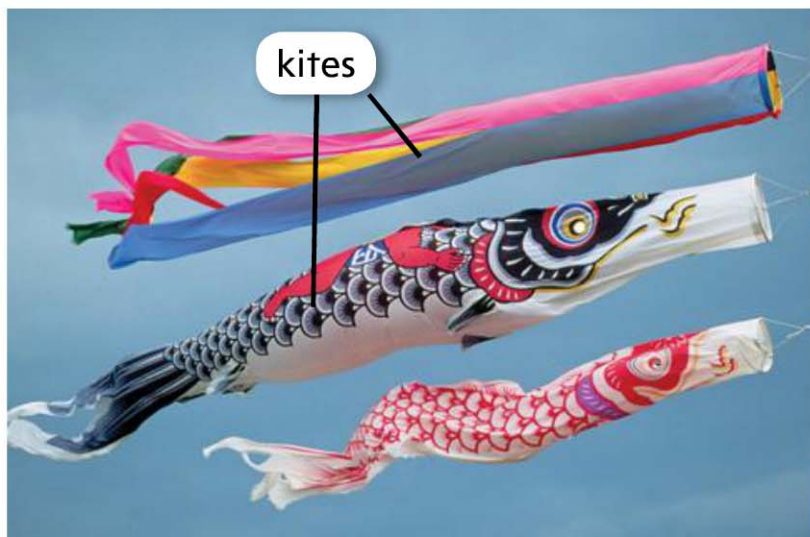
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📍 It is Children's Day in Japan.

Today people fly kites. The kites look like fish. But the kites don't go in water. They swim in the sky.



Moms and dads hope their kids will grow big and strong.



Moms is a plural noun. Can you find two more plural nouns on this page?

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Day in Mexico. ➡

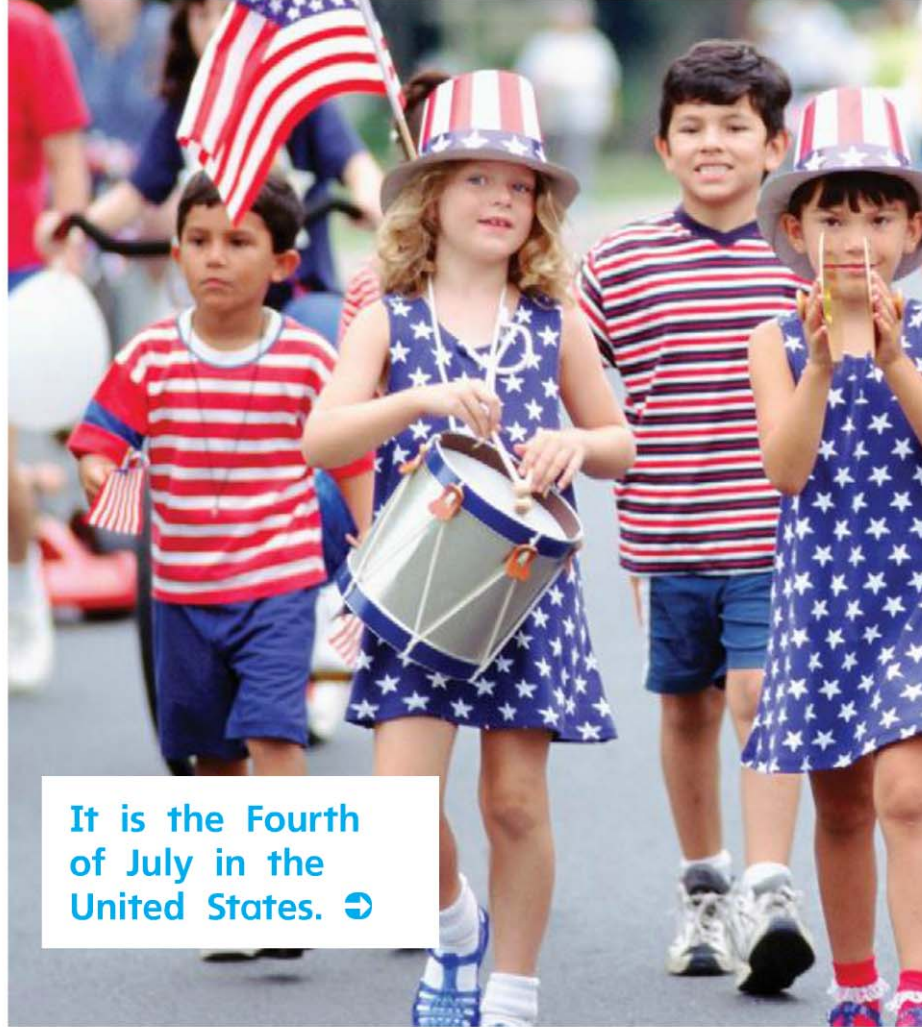


Today this country is having  
a birthday. This boy waves  
a flag. The flag is red, white,  
and green.





In a few minutes, a band will play. Then people will begin to sing and dance.



It is the Fourth  
of July in the  
United States. ➡

Today this country is having a birthday, too. Boys and girls walk in a parade. One girl brought a drum to play.



The kids wave flags that  
are red, white, and blue.  
Holidays are fun!



# Comprehension Check

## Retell

Use a Setting Chart to help you retell what this book is about.

| Setting | What People Do There |
|---------|----------------------|
|         |                      |

## Think and Compare

1. Look at the pictures in the book. Which places have parades on a holiday?
2. Which holiday in the book did you like best?
3. Why do people celebrate holidays?

# Literacy Activities



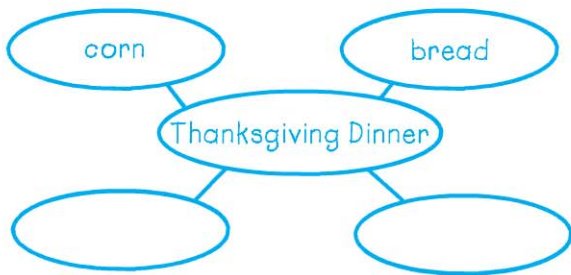
## My Holiday Card

Fold a sheet of paper in half to make a holiday card for a friend. Choose a holiday from the book. Draw a picture on the outside of your card. Write to your friend on the inside.



## Thanksgiving Dinner

Copy and complete the web. What would you like to eat at a Thanksgiving dinner?



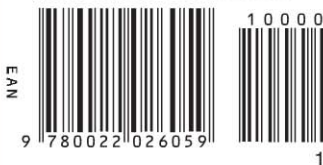


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