

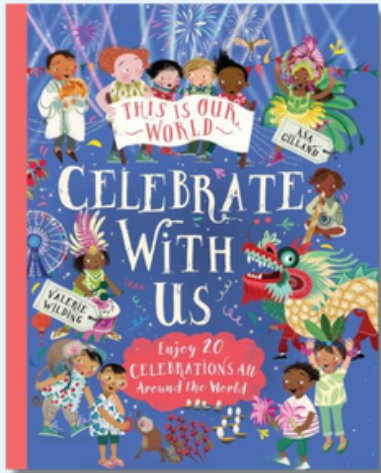
# Celebrate With Us

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# BOOK TALK CARDS



Spark discussion and foster a reading community with our top picks



## ABOUT THE BOOK

This vibrant and informative book celebrates the world's cultural diversity by travelling to twenty different festivals and celebrations, from Eid al-Fitr to Jewish High Holy Days to the Monkey Buffet Festival!



## OUR THOUGHTS

"The personal accounts by different children around the globe adds immediacy and accessibility."

- Diane, Professional Services Manager

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## THEMES:

Celebration • Family • Ceremony  
Tradition • Community • Beliefs

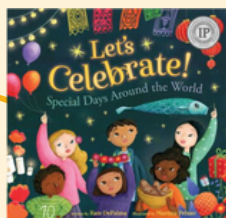
## TIME TO TALK

- 1 Which of these Festivals would be celebrated in countries other than the one indicated on the map? How do you think people feel celebrating a festival from their home country when they are living far away? What might be the good and the bad points to this?
- 2 Which Festivals celebrate seasons? Which season do you look forward to most, and why?
- 3 Which Festival would you most like to go to and why? In which of these Festivals have you taken part?
- 4 Las Fallas is a very noisy festival. Would you enjoy this experience? Which festivals are quiet? What sort of mood does the sound of the festival set?
- 5 Why is food important during festivals? Do you have any particular food memories or traditions in your family?
- 6 Which Festivals have the most elaborate costumes? Are any items of clothing that are important to you – is that related to the memory, the item itself, a person, a festival...
- 7 Which other Festivals around the world are similar to the Mid-Autumn Festival?
- 8 What part of a festival do you see as the most important? A service, dressing up, food, music – what do you like about this part?

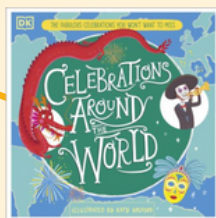
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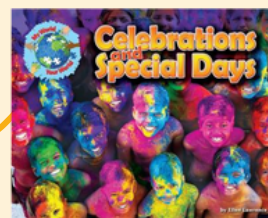
*Festivals!*  
by Jane Bingham



*Let's Celebrate!*  
by Kate DePalma and Martina Peluso (illustrator)



*Celebrations Around the World*  
by Katy Halford



*Celebrations and Special Days*  
by Ellen Lawrence



*Around the World in 80 Festivals*  
by Nancy Dickman and Lucy Banaji (illustrator)



*The Big Book of Festivals*  
by Liz Rowland (illustrator)