

Unit 8 Language summary

Vocabulary

Nouns

Holidays, festivals, and celebrations

April Fools' Day
Australia Day
Carnaval
Children's Day
Chinese New Year
Day of the Dead
Labor Day
Mid-Autumn Festival
Mother's Day
New Year's Eve
Ramadan
Thanksgiving
Valentine's Day

Other

ancestor
autumn
boyfriend
break
bride
ceremony
costumes
courtship
custom
description
fireworks
get-together
(good/bad) luck
grave
groom
harvest
home movie
honeymoon
joss stick

lion dance
marriage
medal
mooncake
parade
picnic
reception
relatives
ribbon
(engagement) ring
samba
sculpture
shrine
skeleton
speech
streamers
symbol
tradition
trick
turkey

Adjectives

lunar
national
patriotic
romantic
surprise
traditional

Verbs

be like
court
date
dress up
explode
float
get engaged/married
get together
honor
last
occur
put on

Expressions

Describing holidays, festivals, and celebrations

... is a day/a night when ...
... is the day when ...
... is the month when ...
... is the season when ...
A/An ... is a time when ...
Before ..., ...
After ..., ...
When ..., ...

Asking about customs

How old are people when they ... ?
Is/Are there ... ?
Where is the ... usually held?
What happens during the ... ?
What do people wear?
What kind of food is served?
When is it?
How long does it last?
What happens?
Why do they do that?