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CELEBRATORY NOTES

ACTIVITY 1

Let's Listen and Learn a Diwali Song Jagmag Aayi Diwali







Lyrics

Jagmag jagmag aayi diwali Khushiyaan dher laayi diwali Jagmag jagmag aayi diwali.

Deep jale hain ghar ghar dekho Rangoli se sajaa hai aangan Roshan ki ladiyaan hai taali Jagmag jagmag aayi diwali.

Naye naye kapde pahane hain Nayi nayi cheezein hain aayi Nayi nayi si galiyaan sajaali Jagmag jagmag aayi diwali. Phir karke badiyaa sa bhojan Haste khelte gaana gaate Phooljadi aur charkh jalaali Jagmag jagmag aayi diwali.

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About the Song

This song describes Diwali, the festival of lights celebrated to mark the return of Lord Rama to Ayodhya. On this day, people wear new clothes and light their houses with *diyas* (lamps). There is joy and excitement all around.

Language: Hindi

ACTIVITY 2 Let's Listen and Learn a New Year Song in Sanskrit



Lyrics

Kshanam Prati Kshanam Yan Navam Navam Taccha Sundaram Saccha Tacchivam

Varsha Nutanam Te Shubham Mudam Uttarottaram Bhavatu Siddhidam.

Meaning

That which is ever new and fresh, that alone is good, real and beautiful.

May this New Year bring you great goodness, happiness, and success.

Composer: Swami Tejomayananda

ACTIVITY 3

Let's Listen and Learn a Christmas Song

Jingle Bells

Lyrics

Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh.

O'er the fields we go, laughing all the way.

Bells on bobtails ring, making spirits bright.

What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight.

Oh! Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way.

Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh. Hey!

Lyricist and Composer: James Lord Pierpont



During the Christmas season, groups of people gather and sing Christmas songs or carols together, and this is known as carolling.

ACTIVITY 4 Let's Listen and Learn a Song for Eid

Aao Eid Manaye

Lyrics

Aao Eid manaye Ek dooje ke sang Todein nafrat ki deewar Gale lagaye pyaar se

Ghar ko deepo se sajayein Bhed-bhav ko man se mitayein

Naye kapdon ke sang-sang Mehendi aur chudiyo ke rang-rang

Dawat ki khushiyan manayein Chhote bado ke saath-saath

Khuda se duaayein mange hum Nana-Nani, Dada-Dadi Eid Mubarak aur karam.

About the Song

The song 'Aao Eid Manaye' is about celebrating Eid with unity and love. It talks about decorating homes, letting go of hate, wearing beautiful clothes, and enjoying the festival with family or friends. It also highlights the importance of seeking blessings from the almighty and elders.



ACTIVITY 5 Let's Listen and Learn a Prayer Dedicated to Lord Buddha

Lyrics

Buddham Sharanam Gachchhami Dhammam Sharanam Gachchhami Sangham Sharanam Gachchhami Buddham Sharanam Gachchhami Dhammam Sharanam Gachchhami Sangham Sharanam Gachchhami



About the Song

In this prayer dedicated to Lord Buddha, the worshipper declares their refuge in Lord Buddha and *Dharma*.

ACTIVITY 6 Let's Listen and Learn a Patriotic Song

Let us learn a song that will tell us how nature surrounds the land of Bharat.

Did you note the taala of the song? It is dha ge na ti na ka dhi na — Keherva



Lyrics

Hind desh ke niwasi sabhi jan ek hain rang roop vesh bhasha chahe anek hain

Bela gulab juhi champa chameli -2

pyare pyare phool ghunthe mala me ek hain

Hind desh ke niwasi sabhi jan ek hain

rang roop vesh bhasha chahe anek hain

Ganga Yamuna Brahmaputra Krishna Kaveri -2

jaake mil gayi sagar me hui sab ek hain

Hind desh ke niwasi sabhi jan ek hain

rang roop vesh bhasha chahe anek hain

Koyal ki kook pyari papeehe ki ter nyari -2

Gaa rahi tarana bulbul raag magar ek hain

Hind desh ke niwasi sabhi jan ek hain

rang roop vesh bhasha chahe anek hain

Composer: Pt. Vinay Chandra Maudgalya

ACTIVITY 7 Sing Along!

Listen to the song online and sing along. *Humko Man Ki Shakti Dena*

Lyrics

Humko man ki shakti dena man vijay karein Doosron ki jai se pehle khud ki jai karein

Bhed-bhaav apne dil se saaf kar sakein Doston se bhool ho to maaf kar sakein Jhoot se bache rahein, sach ka dum bharein Doosron ki jai se pehle khud ki jai karein

Mushkilein padein to Hum pe, itna karm kar
Saath dein to dharm ka,
Chalein to dharm par
Khud pe hausla rahe,
Badi se na darein
Doosron ki jai se pehle
Khud ki jai karein

Lyricist: Gulzar

Composer: Vasant Desai





Meaning

O God, give us the strength of mind give us victory over our mind.

Before we attempt to conquer others, help us conquer ourselves first.

Help us cleanse our hearts of discrimination, If friends make mistakes, enable us to forgive them, Protect us from lies, let truth prevail in our lives.

When we are faced with difficulties, do this much for us —
With the support of dharma, help us walk on the path of righteousness,
Help us remain self-confident and unafraid of evil.