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Infants Activity Pack

Week 9

Divali

Divali/Diwali/ Deepavali means 'a row of lamps',



often referred to as the **Festival of Lights**.

Divali Day is the third day of a five day celebration. This is the day when prayers (puja) are performed to Mother Lakshmi. Deeyas are lit at night to represent "good winning over evil."



- In the days leading up to Divali, Hindus clean their homes. They fast (not eating meat) to clean their minds and bodies also

- Devotees (praying people) have prayers (puja) during the different days of celebration leading up to Divali



- Beautiful indian clothes (e.g. Saris, Shalwars, Kurtas) are bought to be worn on Divali day. Mehndi or henna paste is used for beautiful designs on the hands and feet

- On the night before Divali, a single deeya ("Jam ke Deeya") is lit and placed outside of the home to remember our ancestors



- Rangoli is an art form of colourful designs on the floor of Hindu homes, to welcome Mother Lakshmi and bring good luck

The celebration of Divali in Trinidad and Tobago is not only celebrated by the Hindu community. During this festival many non-Hindus do the following:

Eat special foods and sweets prepared at this time such as roti, curried channa and aloo, baiganees, kurma, golab jamoon, jalebi and bharfi.



On Divali Day



On Divali day, prayers (puja) are performed to Mother Lakshmi (the goddess of light, beauty and wealth).

Vegetarian foods and sweets are prepared for sharing with friends and family.



Deeyas (small clay pots filled with oil) are lit around the home or on cut bamboo frames.



Visit the homes of friends and relatives and often assist with the lighting of deyas.

Wear traditional East Indian clothing.



Attend special events and functions.



In Trinidad and Tobago when we celebrate and participate in religious festivals like Divali, we show our **respect** for other religions and **appreciation** for the ways and beliefs of all in our beautiful country. Let us continue to live together in harmony!

Shubh Divali...Happy Divali



End sounds

Say the name of the pictures. Say the sound you hear at the **end** of the words.



s



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n

Say the name of the pictures. Circle the correct letter for the **end sound** of each word. One has been done for you.

s t n



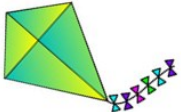
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Sight Words

Say the word



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Spell it!



a-t
at

i-n
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i-t
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Colour it!



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Trace it!



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Circle it!



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Infant 1

Let's Add

When we **add** we **join** groups of objects **together**.

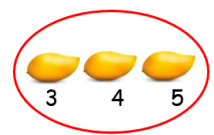
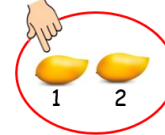
We **count** to get the **total number** of objects.

Example:

Sue has **2** mangoes. She gets **3 more** mangoes. How many mangoes does Sue have in total?

Answer: **5** mangoes.

Count all the mangoes to get the total number.



2 and **3** make **5**

Read the problems. Then give your answers.

One bunch has **4** balloons. One bunch has **3** balloons. How many balloons are there in both bunches?

Answer: _____ balloons



4 and **3** make _____

Mr. Ben sold **2** ice cream cones. He then sold **6** ice cream cones. How many ice cream cones were sold together?

Answer: _____ ice cream cones



2 and **6** make _____

Mark had **\$5**. Daddy gave him **\$4 more**. How much money does Mark have in total?

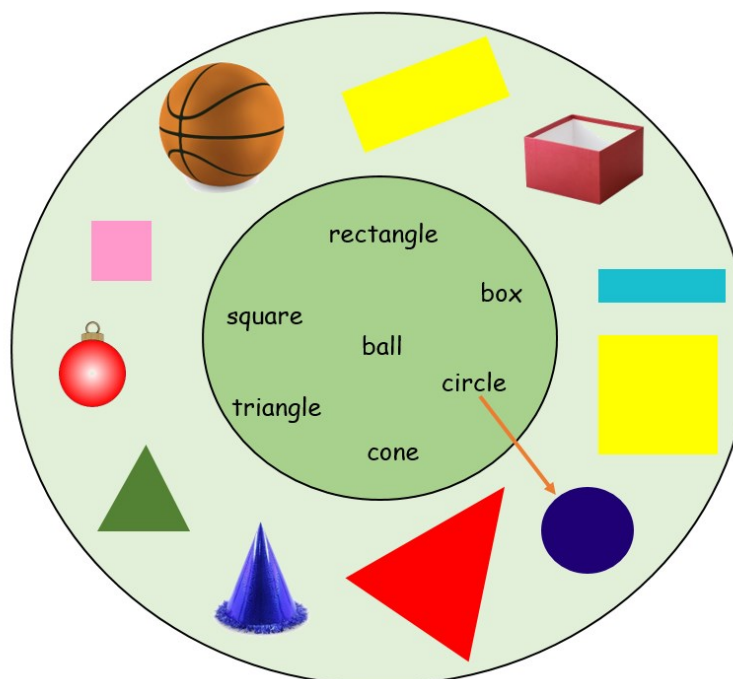
Answer: \$ _____



5 and **4** make _____

Shapes and Their Names

Match the shapes to their names. One has been done for you.



Write the name of a **red** shape.

Write the name of a **blue** shape.

Write the name of a **plane** or **flat** shape.

Write the name of a **solid** shape.

Infant 2

Add 's' to make these more than one

One	More than one
 one kurma	 four kurmas
 one gulab jamun	 a few gulab jamun
 one barfi	 three barfi
 one laddu	 three laddu
 one jalebi	 two jalebi
 one sugar cake	 three sugar cake

Sequence

Look at the pictures. Read the sentences. Write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the boxes to put the story in order.



The dog is feeling cold.



Now, the boy is feeling cold.



The dog takes the blanket.



They share the blanket.

Read the questions and say the answers to someone.

Why was the boy feeling cold?

How does the boy feel about his pet?


Give a reason for your answer.'

Comparing Weights


Write the correct response in the space provided.

1.

duck



chicken




The duck is _____ the chicken.

Heavier than lighter than


as heavy as

2.

shot put ball



basketball ball




The basketball is _____ the shot put ball.


heavier than lighter than as heavy as

3.

newspaper



book




The book is _____ the newspaper.

heavier than lighter than


as heavy as

4.

watermelon



avocado



The avocado is _____ the watermelon.

heavier than lighter than as heavy as

RAMLEELA

Hindus celebrate Ramleela every year just before Diwali. Ramleela is an exciting play about good winning over evil. Plays are staged across the country, in places such as, Avocat, Felicity, Princes Town, Sangre Grande and Rio Claro. The play is based the Hindu holy book, the Ramayana and is about the life of Lord Rama.



Lord Rama was thrown out and told never to return to his village. He faced many problems but he was a good, kind and honest person. He was loved by many people.

An important part of the play is about Lord Rama's beautiful wife Sita, who was taken by King Ravan.

King Ravan was a very bad king and was feared by many people.

Lord Rama travelled very far in search of his wife Sita. He took with him Hanuman (a great warrior and friend) and an army of monkeys.



Lord Rama, Hanuman and the army of monkeys found King Ravan and there was a great battle. The beautiful Sita was rescued.

The play ends by burning a statue of the evil Ravan.



In the end good wins over evil.

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