

CurriculumVisions Lesson 3

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Religion

Book: Buddhist Holy Days

Everything here is based on our Curriculum Visions book Buddhist Holy Days.

In this segment, we are going to think learn more about Buddhist Holy Days.

Part 1

You will need to go to pages 4 and 5.

What do Buddhist Holy Days celebrate or remember? Do all Buddhists celebrate the same holidays? Why or why not?

Answer.....

Part 2

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 6 and 7.

Why do most holy days move around a bit in the Buddhist calendar?

Answer.....

Part 3

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 8 and 9. What is the Tibetan name for the New Year holiday? What are some ways this holiday is celebrated in Tibet?

Answer.....

Part 4

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 10 and 11. What is the Thai name for the New Year holiday? Why is water an important part of the Thai New Year festival?

Answer.....

Part 5

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 12 and 13. What are the four things that are remembered and celebrated on Magha Puja Day? (Hint: Why is it also called Fourfold Assembly Day?)

Answer.....

Part 6

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 14 and 15. Describe some of the ways that people celebrate Magha Puja Day.

Answer.....

Part 7

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 16 and 17. What three events does Vesak remember? Which of these events is shown by the picture of a statue of the Buddha on these pages?

Answer.....

Part 8

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 18 and 19. Why do people sometimes pour water over statues of the Buddha during Vesak?

Answer.....

Investigate one of the countries where Vesak is celebrated. How do people there celebrate it? What special traditions do they have? What is the meaning behind these traditions.

Answer.....

Part 9

Read about holy week on pages 20 and 21. What does Dharma Day celebrate? What are the Four Noble Truths? (Hint: You will have to also look at page 22)

Answer.....

Part 10

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 22 and 23. Why else does Dharma Day remember?

Answer.....

Why did the Buddha and his followers stay in one place for three months after Dharma Day?

Answer.....

Part 11

Read the text and look at the pictures on pages 24 and 25. What do some people do today during the Rains Retreat?

Answer.....

Part 12

Read about Kathina and look at the pictures on pages 26 and 27. Why do people give gifts of robes and other items on this holy day?

Answer.....

Part 13

Read the story of one Ancestor Day on page 29. Why was Moginlin's mother suffering? What did the Buddha tell Moginlin to do to help his mother?

Answer.....

Part 14

Read on pages 30 and 31 about how Ancestor Day is celebrated in different countries. Choose a country and research more about Ancestor Day. Then make

a short presentation about it. (Hint: Countries where the day is celebrated include India, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, Japan, China, Taiwan, South Korea, Tibet)

Answer.....

That is the end of this worksheet. Find out if your teacher has left you any other worksheets or special instructions on your school website.

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