

Celebrating the Chinese New Year

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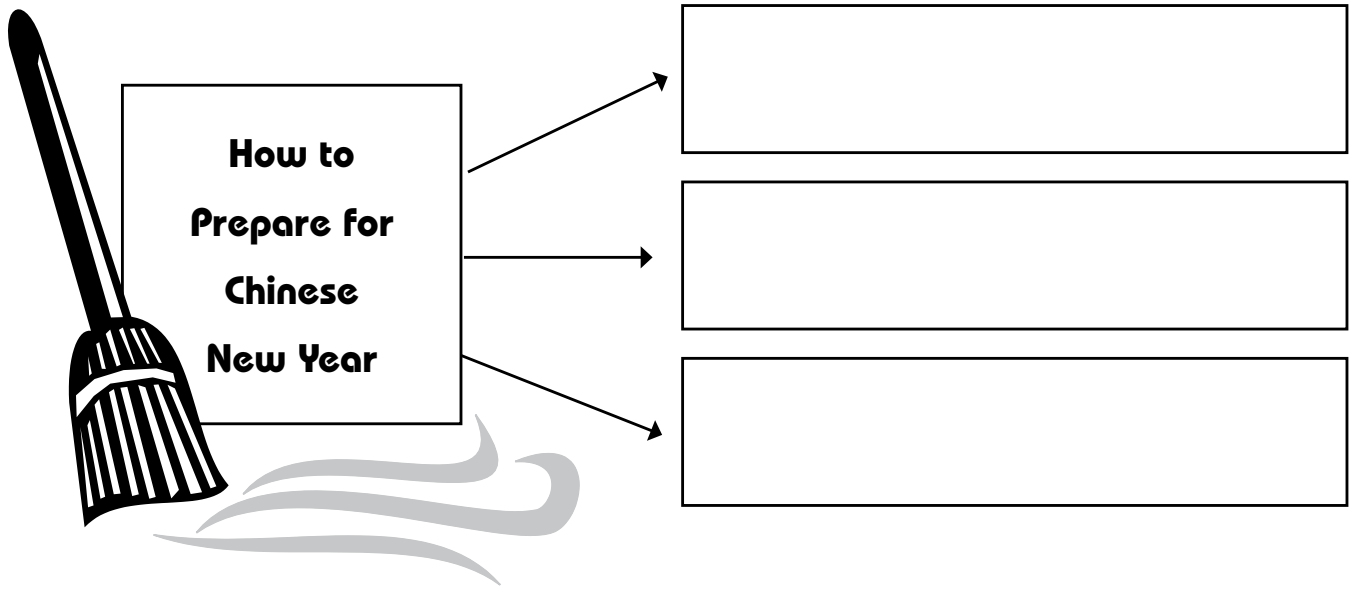


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Tell Your Own Story



Write a story that explains why a certain holiday custom is followed. Some people eat special foods, such as black-eyed peas or pork and sauerkraut on New Year's, for example. How might this custom have begun? Perhaps you would like to write about why we exchange gifts or cards on other holidays. _____



Vocabulary Builder



Antonyms are words that mean the opposite. For each word below, find a word that is the antonym. You may use the dictionary or a thesaurus.

accidentally _____

prosperous _____

destroy _____

remain _____

special _____

Map Moments



Look again at the list of cities in the United States that have Chinatowns. Find out where the New Year's celebration closest to your community would be. If you were planning to visit, what route would you take? If you went by car, how long would it take to drive the route?

Look at a world map that shows China. What are three major cities?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

