

Celebration Connections

Students listen to examples of family and community celebrations, then connect names with customs or ideas.

SSKG1 "Describe the diversity of American culture by explaining the customs and celebrations of various families and communities."

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 HEAR IT _____

a	Kwanzaa	Diwali	Juneteenth
b	Juneteenth	Diwali	Kwanzaa
c	Diwali	Juneteenth	Kwanzaa

2 MATCH IT _____

Diwali	•	•	candles
Juneteenth	•	•	lamps
Kwanzaa	•	•	freedom

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each celebration example aloud and invite students to repeat one detail they heard. This sheet lets students show that families and communities may celebrate in different ways, with different customs, foods, music, and shared ideas.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • HEAR IT

SAY “Families and communities celebrate in many different ways. Listen to each story, circle the celebration name you hear, and tell a partner one detail from the story.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	In one family, people celebrate Diwali by lighting small lamps and sharing sweets. The choices are Kwanzaa, Diwali, and Juneteenth. Which celebration did you hear?	Diwali
b	At a community Juneteenth event, people learn about freedom and enjoy music and food. The choices are Juneteenth, Diwali, and Kwanzaa. Which celebration did you hear?	Juneteenth
c	In one family, people celebrate Kwanzaa by lighting candles and talking about values. The choices are Diwali, Juneteenth, and Kwanzaa. Which celebration did you hear?	Kwanzaa

PART 2 • MATCH IT

SAY “Look at the celebration names on the left and the words on the right. Draw a line from each celebration to the word that fits the story you heard. What lines will you draw?”

- **Diwali** matches **lamps**
- **Juneteenth** matches **freedom**
- **Kwanzaa** matches **candles**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle answers are Diwali, Juneteenth, and Kwanzaa, in order. Match Diwali to lamps, Juneteenth to freedom, and Kwanzaa to candles. Accept oral descriptions that accurately repeat a custom or idea from the spoken examples.