The story of Chinese New Year- An animal Race

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories/lets-celebrate-chinesenewyearperformance>

Draw your own animals and stick them onto the back of pencils/lollipop sticks and retell the story to your family of Chinese New Year.

(There are pictures on the website if you wanted to cut these out or you can draw your own). OR

Draw a storyboard showing the events of the story. Fold a piece of paper into 6/8 parts. Write sentences underneath to explain what is happening.

I hope you enjoy your celebrations whatever you choose to learn about and do! Send some pictures!

Celebrate: Music, dancing, cooking, arts and crafts

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/chinese-new-year>

Music: Listen to music and do a dragon dance of your own. Watch these link for inspiration

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/chinesenewyear/dragondance.aspx>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ExOxZ6HxKgs>

Arts and crafts: I have attached a range of different crafts to make and do on the website including recipes.

Chinese Maths

Learn to write the numbers and count in Chinese.

Then have a go at solving some calculations.

Powerpoint on website.

What is the year?

The Chinese Lunar calendar works over a 12 year cycle. There are 12 different animals which the years are named after.

Can you do your own research to find out which animal this year is named after? Draw a picture of the animal.

What year were you born?

It is believed that whatever year you are born in, you will show characteristics of that animal within your personality. Find out what animal the year you were born is and draw a picture. What kind of characteristics do you have?

How do people celebrate Chinese New Year?

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/38668427

Read: Chinese New Year fact sheet

Write a letter/party invitation to a friend to invite them to a Chinese New Year celebration. Tell the friend what they should wear, what they will be eating and some entertainment.

OR

Write a non-chronological report about Chinese New Year. Think about your subheadings and the important facts you have read/heard about.