



A Fire at Night, Colors in the Morning

Read the story. 英文を読もう。

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① On the night before Holi, people in many Indian towns light big fires. They sing, pray, and walk around the flames. The fire tells an old story about a brave boy named Prahlad.

② Prahlad's father was a proud king, and he wanted everyone to pray to him. But Prahlad prayed only to the god Vishnu. The angry king

asked his sister Holika for help, because fire could not hurt her. She sat in a fire with the boy on her lap. But in the story, Holika burned, and Prahlad was safe. So the fire means that good wins over evil.

③ The next morning, the colors come out. People throw bright powder called gulal at each other. Red, yellow, green, and pink fly through the air. Children use water guns and water balloons. Friends, neighbors, and even strangers become the colors of a rainbow. Many people say Holi is also a festival of love. In old stories, the god Krishna and his friend Radha played with colors.

④ In the past, all the colors came from plants. Red and orange came from the flowers of the palash tree, and yellow came from turmeric. Today, many colors are made in factories. Some of them can hurt your eyes or skin, so many families now choose natural powders.

⑤ Later in the day, people visit family and friends. They eat sweets like gujiya and drink a cold milk drink called thandai. Holi is also a day to forgive. People who had a fight may laugh together and start again. Holi comes at the end of winter, and it welcomes spring with every color in the world.



Words 単語

bonfire たき火 (屋外の大きな火)

flame 炎

brave 勇敢な

proud 思い上がった、誇りに思う

evil 悪

powder 粉

stranger 知らない人

turmeric ターメリック、ウコン

factory 工場

natural 天然の、自然の

forgive 許す

welcome 迎える、歓迎する



Reading Check

Choose the best answer. 正しいものを選ぼう。

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1. What is the passage mainly about?

- (A) How to make turmeric
- (B) The story, customs, and meaning of Holi
- (C) Why fire is dangerous
- (D) The life of a king in India

2. Why did the king ask his sister Holika for help?

- (A) Fire could not hurt her.
- (B) She was a god.
- (C) She lived near the fire.
- (D) She was Prahlad's teacher.

3. What happens on the morning of Holi?

- (A) People light big fires.
- (B) People go to bed early.
- (C) People throw colored powder at each other.
- (D) People eat only plants.

4. Where did yellow color come from in the past?

- (A) Palash flowers
- (B) Factories
- (C) Water balloons
- (D) Turmeric

5. In paragraph 3, what does "strangers" mean?

- (A) Strange animals
- (B) People you do not know
- (C) People from Japan
- (D) Very old friends

6. Which sentence matches the passage?

- (A) Holi comes at the end of summer.
- (B) All Holi colors are made in factories today.
- (C) Prahlad prayed to his father.
- (D) People visit family and friends later in the day.

7. Why might two people who had a fight laugh together at Holi?

- (A) Because Holi is a day to forgive
- (B) Because they must buy gujiya
- (C) Because the king tells them to
- (D) Because they cannot see each other

8. In the dialogue, why does Arjun tell Saki to wear white clothes?

- (A) Because white is the color of Holika
- (B) Because the colors look beautiful on white
- (C) Because it is cold
- (D) Because white clothes are cheap

True or False? 正しいければ T、ちがえば F に○

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|---|-------|
| Holi is a festival of colors in India and Nepal. | T / F |
| People light big fires on the night before Holi. | T / F |
| Holi is always on March 1. | T / F |
| In the old story, Prahlad burned in the fire. | T / F |
| In the past, colors came from plants like turmeric. | T / F |
| The word Holi comes from the English word holy. | T / F |



Word Work

Words & phrases. 単語のれんしゅう。

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① Match the pictures and the words. 絵と単語を線で結ぼう。



●

● milk



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● water



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● moon



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● balloon



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● flower



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● rainbow



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● fire



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● drum

② Unscramble the words. 文字を並べ替えて単語にしよう。

1. O O L R C

2. S N G I R P

3. D O P E W R

4. N M O O

5. B V A R E

6. I D I A N

③ Fill in the blanks. 語群から選んで () に入れよう。

colorful

snow

laughing

story

village

shields

angry

gujiya

sticks

face

pink

winter

Holi

Sticks and Colors in Barsana

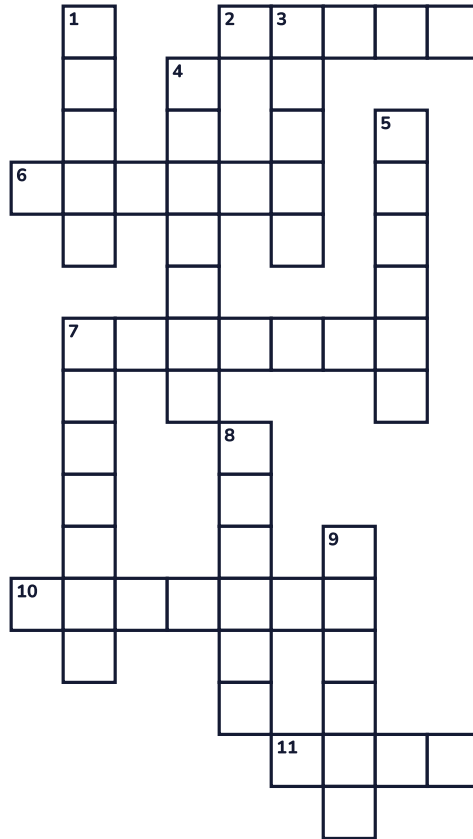
Meera lives in Barsana, a small (1) _____ in India. Every year, men from the next village come to visit at (2) _____. The men hold big (3) _____. Meera and the other women hold long (4) _____. When the men arrive, the women hit them, but everyone is (5) _____. It is an old (6) _____ about the god Krishna. Then people throw (7) _____ and green powder. Meera's (8) _____ turns orange. In the evening, she eats sweet (9) _____ with her family. "This is the most (10) _____ day of the year!" she says.



Crossword Puzzle

Read the clues and fill in the puzzle. ヒントを読んで、クロスワードを完成させよう。

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Across →

- 2** A big country in South Asia. Its capital is New Delhi. (5)
- 6** The king's sister in the old story. She burned in the fire. (6)
- 7** People burn a big pile of wood outside and sing around it. (7)
- 10** To stop being angry with someone. (7)
- 11** It is full and round on the night of the festival. (4)

Down ↓

- 1** Red, blue, and yellow are each one of these. (5)
- 3** A country with high mountains, north of India. (5)
- 4** A Hindu god with a flute. He loved Radha. (7)
- 5** Very small, dry pieces. People throw it at Holi. (6)
- 7** Children fill it with water and throw it. (7)
- 8** The season after winter. (6)
- 9** The color of a banana. Turmeric makes this color. (6)



Word Search

Find the hidden words. かくれた単語を探そう (→ ↓ ↘ ↗)。

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M	T	G	S	P	R	I	N	G	Y	E	W	I
R	O	K	R	K	N	N	E	P	A	L	G	Y
D	M	E	V	I	N	D	I	A	V	W	U	D
V	R	P	K	Y	C	W	C	P	N	N	G	D
V	C	I	C	O	L	O	R	O	O	J	N	A
I	N	N	P	C	J	W	O	W	P	E	O	N
Y	W	K	M	Y	R	M	S	D	R	S	I	C
A	L	U	M	E	F	I	R	E	N	E	I	E
U	N	D	I	L	J	H	T	R	O	C	N	J
W	L	L	F	L	A	Y	B	B	J	O	O	A
T	O	V	I	O	J	N	G	R	E	E	N	E
H	R	H	F	W	H	E	E	C	Y	D	C	E

Find these words! 13

- ☐ COLOR
- ☐ DANCE
- ☐ FIRE
- ☐ GREEN
- ☐ HOLI
- ☐ INDIA
- ☐ MOON
- ☐ NEPAL
- ☐ PINK
- ☐ POWDER
- ☐ SPRING
- ☐ WATER
- ☐ YELLOW

Secret Code 暗号を解こう！記号を文字に直すと、メッセージが出てくるよ。

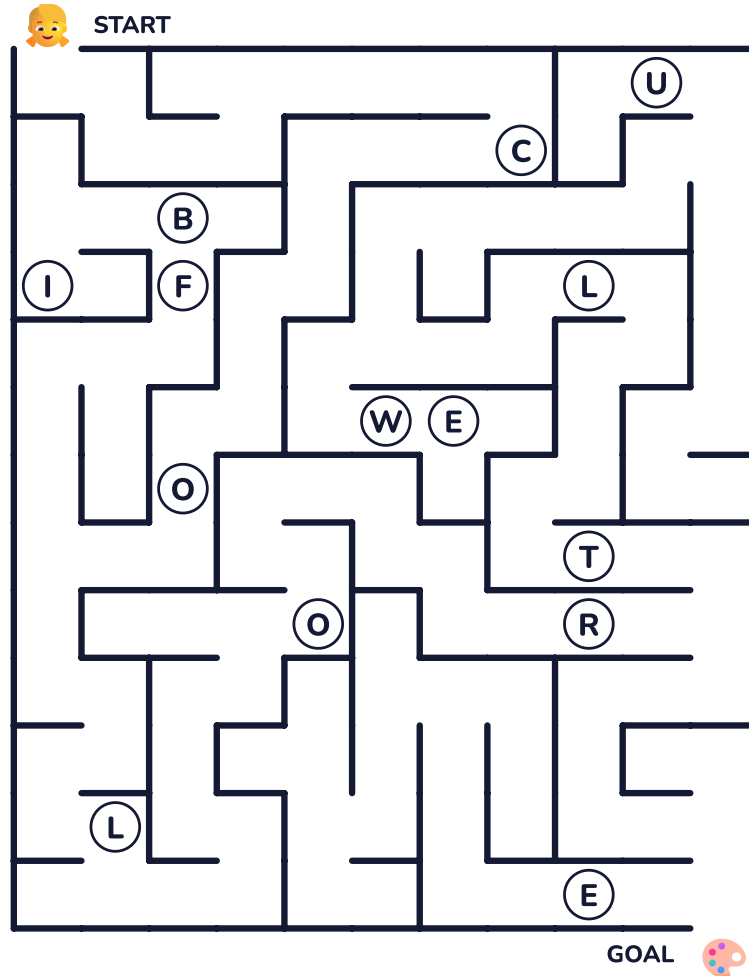


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Help Saki find the colors!

Collect the letters on the right path. What is the secret word? 正しい道の文字を集めると、ひみつの言葉になるよ。



Secret word: _____

Put the words in order. 並べ替えて正しい文にしよう。

1. big / night / fires / light / at / People .

2. at / throw / People / other / powder / each / bright .

3. and / water / balloons / Children / guns / use .

4. forgive / to / Holi / a / is / also / day .

5. many / colors / with / Holi / welcomes / spring .



Find Someone Who... クラスで聞いて回ろう！ Ask: "Do you ...?" / "Have you ...?"

Find someone who ...	Name
... likes pink	
... has eaten Indian curry	
... has played with water balloons	
... knows the capital of India	
... has seen a big bonfire	
... can name five colors in English	
... has made up with a friend after a fight	
... likes spring the best	

Let's Write! 英語で書いてみよう。

If I joined Holi, I would throw _____ powder at _____ because _____.

I want to say sorry to _____ for _____.

My favorite thing about spring is _____ because _____.



Trace & Color

Trace the words. Then color the picture! なぞって書こう。絵に色を塗ろう。

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fire



moon



balloon



flower

