

# Theme: Celebration | Recommended Book List



**Reading Is Fundamental** has curated a list of books to help children further explore the theme of Celebration. Use this recommended book list to help your students/children continue their discovery about this topic in school and at home. For additional activities for the books listed, please visit RIF.org/Literacy-Central/Collections/Rally-Read-Celebration-Collection. View read-alouds of titles in blue on RallytoRead.org this month.



The Nutcracker

Author & Illustrator: Jan Brett Grades: PK-3



#### The Hanukkah Magic of Nate Gadol

Author: Arthur A. Levine Illustrator: Kevin Hawkes

Grades: PK-3



### Let's Celebrate! Special Days Around the World

Author: Kate DePalma *Illustrator:* Martina Peluso

Grades: PK-5



## To Carnival! A Celebration in Saint Lucia

Author: Baptiste Paul Illustrator: Jana Glatt

Grades: PK-5



### The Birthday Swap

Author & Illustrator: Loretta Lopez

Grades: K-3



### There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Bell!

Author: Lucille Colandro Illustrator: Jared Lee

Grades: PK-3



# Let's Celebrate Diwali

Author: Anjali Joshi *Illustrator:* Tim Palin

Grades: K-2



### **Lunar New Year** (Celebrate the World)

Author: Hannah Eliot Illustrator: Alina Chau

Grades: K-3



### The Puppy Who Wanted a Boy

Author: Jane Thayer Illustrator: Lisa McCue

Grades: PK-2



Illustrator: Mike Byrne

Grades: PK-K



Storytime Pick



# Yav!

Author: Jessica Kulekjian Illustrator: Zara González Hoang

Grades: PK-1

# **Celebration Book Discussion Questions**

- 1. What was being celebrated in this book and how did the characters celebrate?
- 2. What special or favorite celebrations do you have with family or friends throughout the year?
- 3. Why do you think celebrations are important?
- 4. What things, like food or music, do you think celebrations must always include?
- 5. If you could make up a new celebration, what would it be for and how would you celebrate?