

# Incorporating & Teaching Culture in the Chinese Language Classroom

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### 1. Spring Festival

- a. <sup>hóng bāo</sup> 红 包 Red envelopes
- b. <sup>chūn lián</sup> 春 联 Spring couplets
- c. <sup>jiǎn zhǐ</sup> 剪 纸 Paper-cutting
  - i. 2-D using scissors
  - ii. 3-D using scissors
  - iii. 2-D using Xacto knives

### 2. Lantern Festival

- a. <sup>dēng lóng</sup> 灯 笼 Lantern

### 3. Dragon Boat Festival

- a. <sup>zòng zi</sup> 粽 子 Chinese Tamale
- b. <sup>xiāng bāo</sup> 香 包 Scented Bag

### 4. Calligraphy

- a. <sup>yǒng</sup> 永 (forever)
- b. <sup>shū qiān</sup> 书 签 Bookmark

### 5. Geography

- a. <sup>dì tú</sup> 地 图 Map

| <b>Projects</b>                                      | <b>Materials</b>                                   |   |  |  |  |
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| <b>Red Envelope</b>                                  | 8"x8" red paper                                    | scissors  | Elmer glue or Scotch tape                    | markers                                  | glitter glue                             |
| <b>Spring Couplets</b>                               | 8"x8" red paper                                    | black markers or ink and calligraphy brushes              | glitter glue                                 |  |  |
| <b>2-D Chinese Paper Cut: Symmetrical Characters</b> | assorted colored construction paper                | scissors  | glue sticks                                  |  |  |
| <b>3-D Chinese Paper Cut: Symmetrical Characters</b> | 8"x8" assorted colored paper                       | scissors  | glue sticks                                  | paper clips                              |  |
| <b>2-D Chinese Paper Cut: Patterns</b>               | assorted colored paper                             | black construction paper                                  | Xacto knives                                 | glue sticks                              |  |
| <b>Lantern</b>                                       | assorted colored construction paper                | scissors  | stapler                                      | markers; glitter glue; sequins; stickers |  |
| <b>Chinese Tamale</b>                                | 4"x9" green or assorted colored construction paper | Scotch tape   | yarn   | rice                                     | markers; glitter glue; sequins; stickers |
| <b>Scented Bag</b>                                   | assorted colored velvet                            | scissors  | yarn; big plastic needles or Tacky glue      | scented cotton balls                     | glitter glue; sequins; wiggly eyes       |
| <b>Forever</b>                                       | Template of character "forever"                    | 5"x5" black construction paper                            | ink and calligraphy brushes                  | glue sticks                              |  |
| <b>Bookmark</b>                                      | 6"x2.25" red construction paper                    | 1.5"x4" beige colored paper (cut out from manila folders) | black markers or ink and calligraphy brushes | hole puncher                             | ribbon                                   |
| <b>Giant Map</b>                                     | shower curtain from dollar stores                  | LCD or overhead projector                                 | assorted colored permanent makers            |  |  |