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## Questions



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2. When is Lunar New Year celebrated?

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4. How do you think you would feel the night before Lunar New Year if your family was going to be celebrating?

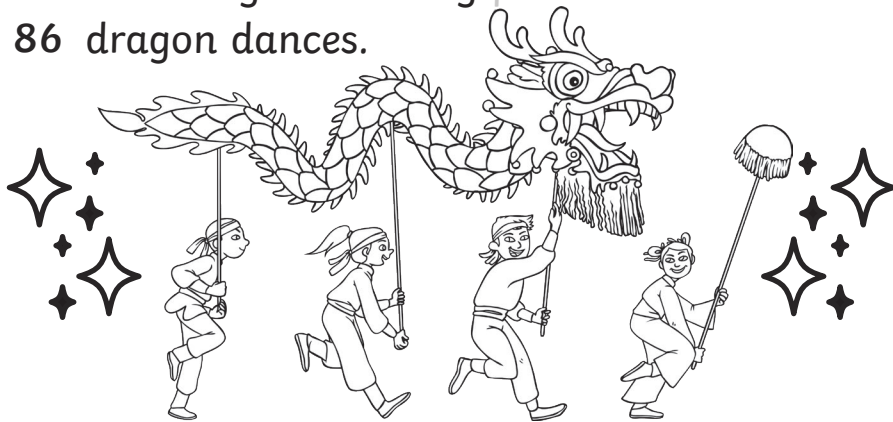
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# Answers



1. Find and copy one word that means the same as 'joy'.

**happiness**



2. When is Lunar New Year celebrated?

**Lunar New Year is celebrated in January or February.**



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The festival lasts for 15 days.

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Families get together to share a special dinner.

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4. How do you think you would feel the night before Chinese New Year if your family was going to be celebrating?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think I might feel excited and happy to be spending time with my family.**