

Student Name _____ Date _____

Reading Aloud

Dear Parent,
We are learning how to read aloud more fluently using voice, rhythm, and rate. We also are studying various traditions that people celebrate. I hope you enjoy this activity with me.

This assignment is due _____.

Sincerely,

Student Signature

THINGS TO REMEMBER

When we read aloud, we want to read in a smooth, clear way, with expression and rhythm.

LET'S DO THIS

1. Work with a family partner. Who is working with you? _____
2. Explain to your family partner: First, I will read a story silently to myself. I will underline words that I do not know. You can help me with those words.



Chinese New Year

In some cities, thousands of people come to Chinatown every year to celebrate the Chinese New Year. The holiday lasts for fifteen days. It is time to be together with family and friends, and to honor family members and ancestors. During the celebration, people say *Gong shee faa tchoy!* to wish everyone joy and good luck.

Because this is a special holiday, people buy special foods and candies. Many people wear the color red to welcome the new year. Many also hang lanterns outside their homes to mark the return of spring. People in dragon costumes dance in street parades. On the last night of the holiday, there is a full moon. That is the start of the Chinese New Year.

LET'S FIND OUT

1. Now, I will read the story aloud to you two times.

Time 1. I will read the story aloud **slowly** to make sure that I see the punctuation and read with expression.

Time 2. Then, I will read the story to you again to continue to improve how I read aloud.

2. Ask your family partner: When was my reading aloud most clear and smooth?

(Check ✓ Time 1 or Time 2.)

_____ Time 1 or _____ Time 2

3. Write one sentence about how you improved each time you read the story.

HOME-TO-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Dear Parent,

Please give your reactions to your child's work on this activity.

Write YES or NO for each statement.

_____ 1. My child understood the homework and was able to complete it.

_____ 2. My child and I enjoyed the activity.

_____ 3. This assignment helped me know what my child is learning in class.

Comment _____

Parent Signature _____