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## Festivals and celebrations countable and uncountable nouns speaking

Ask about how many or much your partner did things, does things or will do things in festivals and celebrations and try to find things in common OR
Ask about how many or much your partner did things, does things or will do things in festivals and celebrations and try to find things which are more for you than your partner OR
Explain what people do and how much they do it during one festival or celebration until your partner guesses which one you are speaking about
OR
Ask about how many or how much with the actions below until you guess which festival or celebration your partner chose

## Suggested festivals and celebrations to explain and guess

- All Saints Day/ (Mexican) Day of the Dead/ Día de los Muertos
- April Fool's Day
- birthday
- bonfire night/ fireworks night/ Guy Fawkes Night
- Boxing Day
- cherry blossom viewing party/ jerry blossom viewing party
- children's day
- Chinese New Year/ Lunar New Year
- Christmas (Day/ Eve)
- doll festival
- Easter
- graduation
- Halloween
- harvest festival
- housewarming party
- Lent
- May Day
- Mother's Day/ Mothering Sunday
- New Year's (Day/Eve)
- Oktoberfest/ October Vest
- Peppero Day/ Pocky Day
- Ramadan
- school sports day
- Shrove Tuesday/ Mardi Gras/ Pancake Day
- Snow Festival
- summer festival
- Teacher's Day
- Thanksgiving
- tomato throwing festival
- Valentine's Day
- wedding
- "White Day"


## Suggested actions to explain and ask about the level of

- buy a lot of/ buy some/ not buy many/ not buy any + tree(s)
- do a lot of/ do some/ not do many/ not do any + dance(s)/ special dance(s)
- do a lot of/ do some/ not do much/ not do any + cleaning/ exercise/ homework/ study
- drink a lot of/ drink some/ not drink much/ not drink any + alcohol/ champagne/ hot wine/ rice wine/ soda/ tea/ wine
- eat a lot of / eat some / not eat many / not eat any + bean(s)/ chocolate coin(s)/ chocolate egg(s)/ cookie(s)/ noodle(s)/ nut(s)/ pancake(s)/ potato(es)/ snack(s)/ spice(s)
- eat a lot of / eat some / not eat much / not eat any + cake/ candy/ chicken/ fish/ fruit/ gravy/ meat/ mustard/ rice/ sauce/ seafood/ turkey
- get a lot of/ get some/ not get many/ get a/ not get any + card(s)/ chocolate(s)/ flower(s)
- get a lot of/ get some/ not get much/ not get any + money
- hang a lot of/ hang some/ not hang many/ hang a/ not hang any + decoration(s)/ light(s)/ stocking(s)
- hear a lot of/ hear some/ not hear many/ hear a/ not hear any + special song(s)/ speech(es)
- hear a lot of/ hear some/ not hear much/ not hear any + special music
- light a lot of/ light some/ not light many/ light a/ not light any + candle(s)/ firework(s)/ joss stick(s)
- make a lot of/ make some/ not many many/ make a/ not make any + card(s)/ decoration(s)/ painted egg(s)/ special food(s)/ wish(es)
- play a lot of/ play some/ not play many/ play a/ not play any + (special) game(s)/ joke(s)/ trick(s)
- pull a lot of/ pull some/ not pull many/ pull a/ not pull any + cracker(s)/ party popper(s)
- see a lot of/ see some/ not see many/ see a/ not see any + doll(s)/ firework(s)/ flower(s)/ parade(s)/ procession(s)/ street stall(s)
- see a lot of/ see some/ not see much/ not see any + blossom
- send a lot of/ send some/ not send many/ send a/ not send any + card(s)
- sing a lot of/ sing some/ not sing many/ sing a/ not sing any + special song(s)
- thank a lot of/ thank some/ not thank many/ thank a/ not thank any + parent(s)/ teacher(s)
- throw a lot of/ throw some/ not throw many/ throw a/ not throw any + bean(s)/ snowball(s)/ tomato(es)
- visit a lot of/ visit some/ not visit many/ visit a/ not visit any + church(es)/ shrine(s)/ temple(s)
- watch a lot of/ watch some/ not watch much/ not watch any + sport/ television
- wear a lot of/ wear some/ not wear many/ wear a/ not wear any + hat(s)/ kimono(s)/ party hat(s)/ special hat(s)
Ask about anything above which you don't understand, working together to make suitable sentences about Xmas each time.
Grammar presentation
- What are the two different groups of nouns above? How are they different?
- What words to they have in front of them? How are they different?


## Freer speaking practice

Do a different activity from above, this time without this second page to help.
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