

Festivals of light around the world

Match each light to its festival. Then answer the question.

① Draw a line from each light to its festival.



Diwali

Hindu, Sikh and Jain families light clay lamps called diyas, in October or November.



Las Posadas

Families in Mexico walk from house to house with candles for nine nights before Christmas.



Hanukkah

Jewish families light one more candle on a menorah each night for eight nights.



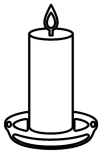
Lunar New Year

Families hang red lanterns to welcome the new year in January or February.



Christmas

Many Christian families celebrate on December 25 and light up a tree.



Kwanzaa

From December 26 to January 1, families light seven candles on a kinara.

Did you know?

The winter solstice, around December 21, is the longest night of the year in Canada. After it, the days slowly get longer.

② Why do you think so many festivals use lights?