

# Lion Dancer

## RIF EXTENSION ACTIVITIES FOR EDUCATORS

### WRITING ACTIVITIES

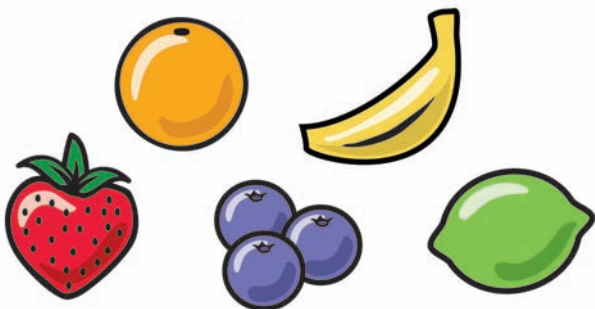
#### EIGHT IS GREAT!

The Chinese character for 8 looks and sounds like another Chinese word that means "rich." Make a list of 8 ways that you can be rich. For example, having good friends is one way to be rich.



#### ORANGE YOU GLAD?

Oranges are Chinese symbols for abundant happiness. In English, oranges are the only fruit that have the same name as their color. Tell or write a story about what would happen if all fruits were called by their color names. Tell your story in words and pictures. Include different kinds of fruit and what they would all be called.



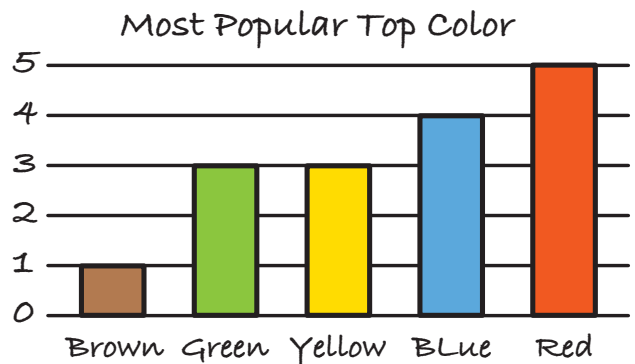
### MATH ACTIVITIES

#### DOORS AND WINDOWS

One Chinese New Year custom is to open all the doors and windows at midnight to let the old year out and the new year in. How many doors and windows are in our classroom? If every classroom in our grade level has the same number, what would the total number of doors and windows be? What would the total be for each of the grade levels in our school? How many would that make for the whole school?

#### WEAR RED FOR LUCK

In China, red is considered a lucky color. Look around your classroom. Count the number of people wearing red tops. What other color tops do you see? Count the number of tops in each color and make a graph to show your findings. Make sure your graph has a title and labels.



#### RED ENVELOPES

During the Chinese New Year, it is traditional to give each child red envelopes with money in them. Your father has \$10. If he wants to give each child in your family \$3, will he have enough money? Explain your answer.

