

Uncle Peter's Amazing Chinese Wedding



A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

Themes: Chinese-American Culture, Family, Traditions, Jealousy

Grade Level: K to 2nd grade

Book Brief: Jenny is the only family member who isn't happy that Uncle Peter is getting married.

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading, make connections: Has your child ever been to a wedding? Talk about your own wedding or a wedding you've been to.

While reading, look at the pictures: Notice the customs of a Chinese wedding. How are they similar or different to those that you know?

After reading, ask questions:

- ◆ Why was Jenny jealous of Stella?
- ◆ Do you think she had a reason to be upset?
- ◆ Did she handle her jealousy the right way?
- ◆ How would you have felt if you were Jenny?
- ◆ Have you ever been jealous of someone else?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

CHOW MEIN NOODLE HAYSTACKS

Ingredients: 1 bag butterscotch chips, 1 package chow mein noodles (uncooked)

Melt butterscotch chips in microwave-safe bowl. Mix in chow mein noodles. Put spoonfuls of mixture onto a cookie sheet covered with wax paper. Let cool in the refrigerator for at least 5 minutes.

OUT AND ABOUT

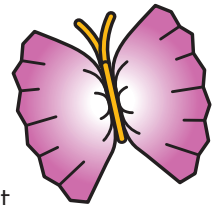
The next time you and your child are out, look for wedding parties or cars decorated with "Just Married!" Notice all the different ways people have of celebrating their big day.

BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLY

In Chinese culture, the butterfly is a symbol of love.

Materials: round coffee filter, pipe cleaner, watercolor paints, brush, newspaper

1. Lay out several sheets of newspaper. Flatten coffee filter on top of newspaper.
2. Paint with watercolors and let dry.
3. Fold pipe cleaner in half. Place coffee filter in between bent halves of pipe cleaner. Twist pipe cleaner to secure coffee filter and create butterfly's antennae. Fan out each side of coffee filter for wings.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Henry's First Moon Birthday (2001), *Polka Dot Penguin Pottery* (2011), *Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things* (2009), *Ruby Lu, Brave and True* (2006).



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