



Teacher's Pre- and Post-Program Visit Guide

Program	Let's All Celebrate
Grade Level	PreK-1
Time	30 minutes
Location	Duke Energy Children's Museum

Program Objectives

- Students will demonstrate an awareness of children around the globe, their similarities and differences.
- Students will learn about how children in other parts of the world celebrate birthdays and holidays.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of some common attributes of various worldwide celebrations (special foods, clothing, gifts, etc.).

Program Description

Children from all around the world love a celebration. Travel the globe to explore a variety of child-centered ceremonies. While the locations may be different, the fun of a special occasion is the same.

Major Vocabulary and concepts

ceremony	Empress	piñata
holiday	Samurai	culture
similarities and differences		

Ideas for pre-visit activities

- Locate Japan, Mexico and India on a map or globe. Compare the location of these countries to where you live. Which is the closest? What form of transportation would you take to visit each country?
- Discuss holidays that students in your class celebrate.
- There are many different holidays celebrated by groups in Cincinnati. Have students bring in objects or cards from their favorite holiday. Create a chart or graph about the main holidays celebrated in America.

Ideas for post-visit activities

- Celebrate a holiday from your class survey of holidays. Go through the steps of decorating, exchanging gifts, playing games and preparing food as part of your celebration.
- Listen to holiday music from around the world. Learn and sing new holiday songs.
- Use your math skills to make some desserts or holiday foods from *The Kids' Holiday Baking Book: 150 Favorite Dessert Recipes from Around the World* by Rosemary Black. Have a taste test party. Record the most popular and least popular recipes. Graph the results.

- Read about other children around the world in the book *Children Just Like Me* by Barnabas & Anabel Kindersley.

Standards

Ohio: People in Societies, Geography, Social Studies Skills and Methods

Kentucky: Culture and Society, Geography, Economics

Indiana: Geography, Individuals, Society and Culture

Related Exhibits and Features

- The celebrations mural outside of the *Celebrations* room depicts many holidays from around the world. How many can your students guess?
- Explore the *Children Just Like Me* exhibit in the Duke Energy Children's Museum.

Resources

- *Children Just Like Me* by Barnabas & Anabel Kindersley
- *Celebrations* by Barnabas & Anabel Kindersley
- *My Favorite Stories* by Jamila Gavin
- www.mamalisa.com/world Common nursery rhymes and songs in languages from around the world.
- *The Kids' Holiday Baking Book: 150 Favorite Dessert Recipes from Around the World* by Rosemary Black
- *Birthdays Around the World* by Mary D. Lankford and Karen Dugan (Illustrator)