

Create three connected lessons on New Year for a Primary 1 class.

Lesson 1: Introduction to the New Year

Objective: Students will understand what New Year is and the symbolism behind it.

Materials: Whiteboard, markers, calendar

- Begin the lesson by discussing the concept of New Year. Ask students questions such as “What is New Year and what does it mean?” Encourage students to share their thoughts and ask questions.
- Introduce the concept of time by discussing the calendar and how it helps us keep track of days, weeks and months. Explain that there is one day that marks the beginning of a new year.
- On the whiteboard, draw a large circle to represent the cycle of the year. Explain that the new year is a time to start fresh, reflect on the past year, appreciate what has been accomplished, and to plan for the future.

Lesson 2: New Year’s Resolutions

Objective: Students will understand what a resolution is and discuss ideas for New Year’s Resolutions.

Materials: Whiteboard, markers

- Explain that New Year’s Resolutions are promises made to ourselves to do something differently or better in the new year.
- Ask the students for some examples of what they think New Year’s Resolutions could be (i.e. being more organized, making healthier food choices, being kinder to others, etc.).
- Draw three columns on the whiteboard and label them Personal, Academic and Social. Ask students to come up with as many ideas as they can to fill in each column.
- Once they are done, discuss the resolutions and how they can be achieved.

Lesson 3: Celebrating the New Year

Objective: Students will explore how different cultures around the world celebrate

the New Year.

Materials: Examples of decorations, photos of celebrations, laptop/projector

- Explain that the New Year is celebrated in many different cultures around the world. Use the examples of decorations to discuss how different cultures decorate their homes and public spaces to mark the occasion.

- Show photos of different kinds of celebrations from around the world, using the laptop or projector. Ask students to note any similarities and differences between the various celebrations.

- Discuss the various customs and traditions that different countries use to celebrate the New Year. Encourage students to share any stories or experiences related to New Year celebrations that they may have.