Diwali Book Recommendations

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Diwali is commonly known as the Hindu festival of lights. The light can be taken literally, as in clay lamps *(diyas)* and fireworks, or metaphorically, as in "the victory of light over darkness." Diwali is also celebrated by Sikhs and Jains, but people all over India (and in the diaspora) can be found enjoying the festivities. Specific traditions vary from region to region, but eating sweet treats *(e.g., ladoos)*, and "painting" colorful patterns on the floor with flowers and colored rice or sand *(rangolis)* are some of the more common ones.

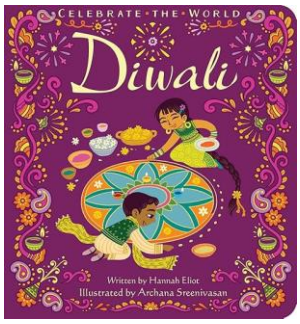
It's a great holyday to share with kids of any age, and there are lots of published kids' books to get you started. I reviewed about 25 of them and selected the ones that I think are the most well-written, enjoyable, and suitable for a range of settings — daycares, public schools, parochial schools, private schools, and homes.

My full blog post can be found here. You can also check out my K-5 Diwali lesson plan and my 10 Fun Facts about Diwali for Kids. Or, use the QR codes!

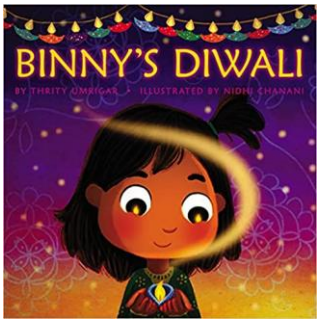
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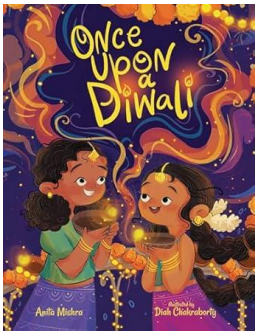
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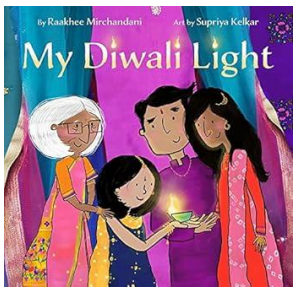


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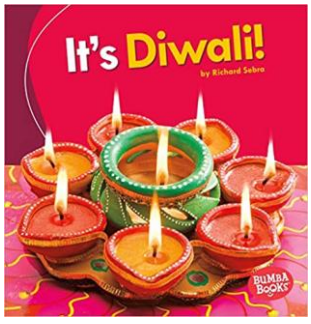


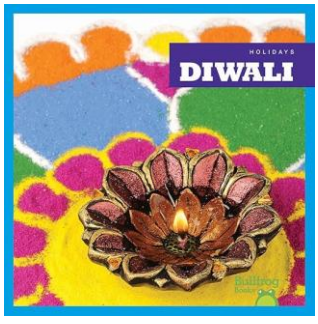
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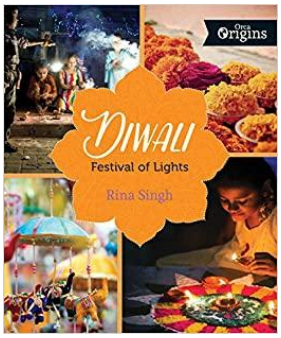
Best Books for People who Celebrate Diwali







Best Books for Preschool-Kindergarten



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