

Why Leaves Change Color?

WINTER SOLSTICE

READING COMPREHENSION



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READING COMPREHENSION MCQ'S QUESTIONS ANSWER KEY

THE IMPORTANCE OF WINTER SOLSTICE
Winter Solstice marks the beginning of winter and the shortest day of the year. It's a time to reflect on the cycles of nature. It's a time to look forward to the longer days ahead.

WINTER SOLSTICE
What is the Winter Solstice?
The Winter Solstice is a special time of the year when the Northern Hemisphere tilts the farthest away from the sun. This means that we experience the shortest day of the year. It occurs on December 21st.

WINTER SOLSTICE
The Winter Solstice has been celebrated for thousands of years. Ancient civilizations like Stonehenge in England were used to track the movement of the sun. They celebrated this day because it marked the start of the return to longer days and warmth.

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Different cultures have their own unique ways of celebrating Winter Solstice. In some cultures, there is a festival where families gather to eat special food. In Scandinavia, people light bonfires and enjoy the warmth of the sun.

TRADITIONS OF WINTER SOLSTICE
One of the most common traditions associated with Winter Solstice is the lighting of a Yule log. People also decorate their homes with evergreen trees, ornaments, and garlands. The Yule tree represents life and the hope of a new year.

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On this day, people enjoy outdoor activities like skiing and snowboarding. It's a time for families to enjoy each other's company and celebrate the season.

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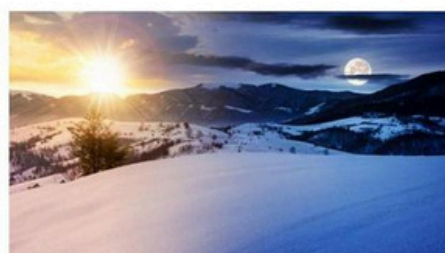
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WHAT IS WINTER SOLSTICE?

Winter Solstice is a special time of the year when the Earth's northern hemisphere tilts the farthest away from the sun. This means that on Winter Solstice, we experience the shortest day and the longest night of the entire year. It usually happens around December 21st.



THE HISTORY OF WINTER SOLSTICE

People have celebrated Winter Solstice for thousands of years. Ancient civilizations built monuments like Stonehenge in England to track the movement of the sun and mark the Winter Solstice. They celebrated this day because it meant that the sun would start to return, bringing longer days and warmth.

TRADITIONS AROUND THE WORLD

Different cultures have their own unique ways of celebrating Winter Solstice. In China, people celebrate Dongzhi, a festival where families gather to eat special foods like dumplings and tangyuan. In Scandinavia, people light bonfires and enjoy feasts to welcome the return of the sun.



SYMBOLS OF WINTER SOLSTICE

One symbol commonly associated with Winter Solstice is the evergreen tree. People decorate evergreen trees with lights, ornaments, and garlands during this time. The evergreen tree represents life and hope during the darkest days of the year.

ACTIVITIES DURING WINTER SOLSTICE

During Winter Solstice, many people enjoy outdoor activities like ice skating, sledding, and building snowmen. It's a time for families and friends to come together, enjoy each other's company, and celebrate the beauty of winter.

THE IMPORTANCE OF WINTER SOLSTICE

Winter Solstice marks the beginning of winter and reminds us of the cycles of nature. It's a time to reflect on the past year and look forward to the new year ahead. It teaches us to appreciate the changing seasons and the balance of light and darkness in our lives.



CONCLUSION

Winter Solstice is a magical time of the year filled with traditions, symbols, and celebrations. It's a time to cherish the warmth of family and friends and to welcome the return of the sun after the longest night. So, whether you're lighting candles, decorating a tree, or playing in the snow, remember to embrace the spirit of Winter Solstice and enjoy the beauty of the season.

READING COMPREHENSION

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SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is Winter Solstice?
2. Why do people celebrate Winter Solstice?
3. What are some traditions associated with Winter Solstice in China?
4. What outdoor activities do people enjoy during Winter Solstice?
5. What does Winter Solstice remind us of?

6. What symbol is commonly associated with Winter Solstice?

- A) Pumpkin
- B) Evergreen tree
- C) Sunflower
- D) Tulip

7. What outdoor activities do people enjoy during Winter Solstice?

- A) Planting flowers
- B) Building sandcastles
- C) Ice skating and sledding
- D) Swimming in the ocean

8. What does Winter Solstice teach us about the changing seasons?

- A) The warmth of summer
- B) The changing seasons
- C) The brightness of winter
- D) The length of the day

9. What is Winter Solstice a reminder of?

- A) The end of winter
- B) The beginning of spring
- C) The cycles of nature
- D) The longest night of the year

10. What should we embrace during Winter Solstice?

- A) The darkness
- B) The spirit of the season
- C) The cold weather
- D) The shortest day of the year

ANSWER KEY

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1. B) The shortest day of the year
2. B) Around December 21st
3. C) Because it meant the sun would start to return
4. B) Eating special foods like dumplings
5. A) China
6. B) Evergreen tree
7. C) Ice skating and sledding
8. B) The changing seasons
9. C) The cycles of nature
10. B) The spirit of the season

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTION

1. Winter Solstice is a special time of the year when the Earth's northern hemisphere tilts the farthest away from the sun.
2. People celebrate Winter Solstice because it marks the beginning of winter and the return of longer days after the shortest day of the year.
3. People in China celebrate Winter Solstice by gathering to eat special foods like dumplings during the festival of Dongzhi.
4. During Winter Solstice, people enjoy outdoor activities like ice skating, sledding, and building snowmen.
5. Winter Solstice reminds us to appreciate the changing seasons and the balance of light and darkness in our lives.

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WINTER SOLSTICE

DIRECTIONS CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. What is Winter Solstice?

- A) The longest day of the year
- B) The shortest day of the year
- C) The hottest day of the year
- D) The coldest day of the year

2. When does Winter Solstice usually occur?

- A) Around June 21st
- B) Around December 21st
- C) Around March 21st
- D) Around September 21st

3. Why did ancient civilizations celebrate Winter Solstice?

- A) Because it was the coldest day of the year
- B) Because it marked the beginning of summer
- C) Because it meant the sun would start to return
- D) Because it was the longest day of the year

4. What is one tradition associated with Winter Solstice in China?

- A) Lighting bonfires
- B) Eating special foods like dumplings
- C) Decorating evergreen trees
- D) Building snowmen

5. In which country do people celebrate Dongzhi during Winter Solstice?

- A) China
- B) Sweden
- C) Canada
- D) Australia

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