

# Celebration of Light Collection



## A RIF GUIDE FOR EDUCATORS



Use this collection to help children explore how different cultures celebrate light around the world. Children may identify patterns in the role of light in various customs and traditions and discover its centrality amongst many cultures. Use the following questions to guide your discussion as you read books in the collection.

### BEFORE READING:

1. How do you use light in your daily life?
2. Why is light so important?
3. What traditions do you celebrate in your family?



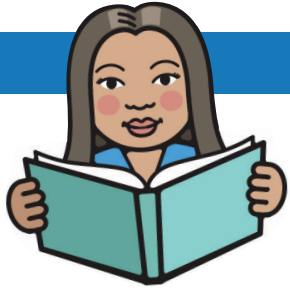
### DURING READING:

1. What do you see in the pictures? What do you notice about the ways light is shown?
2. What role does light play in this celebration?
3. What traditions does this celebration showcase?



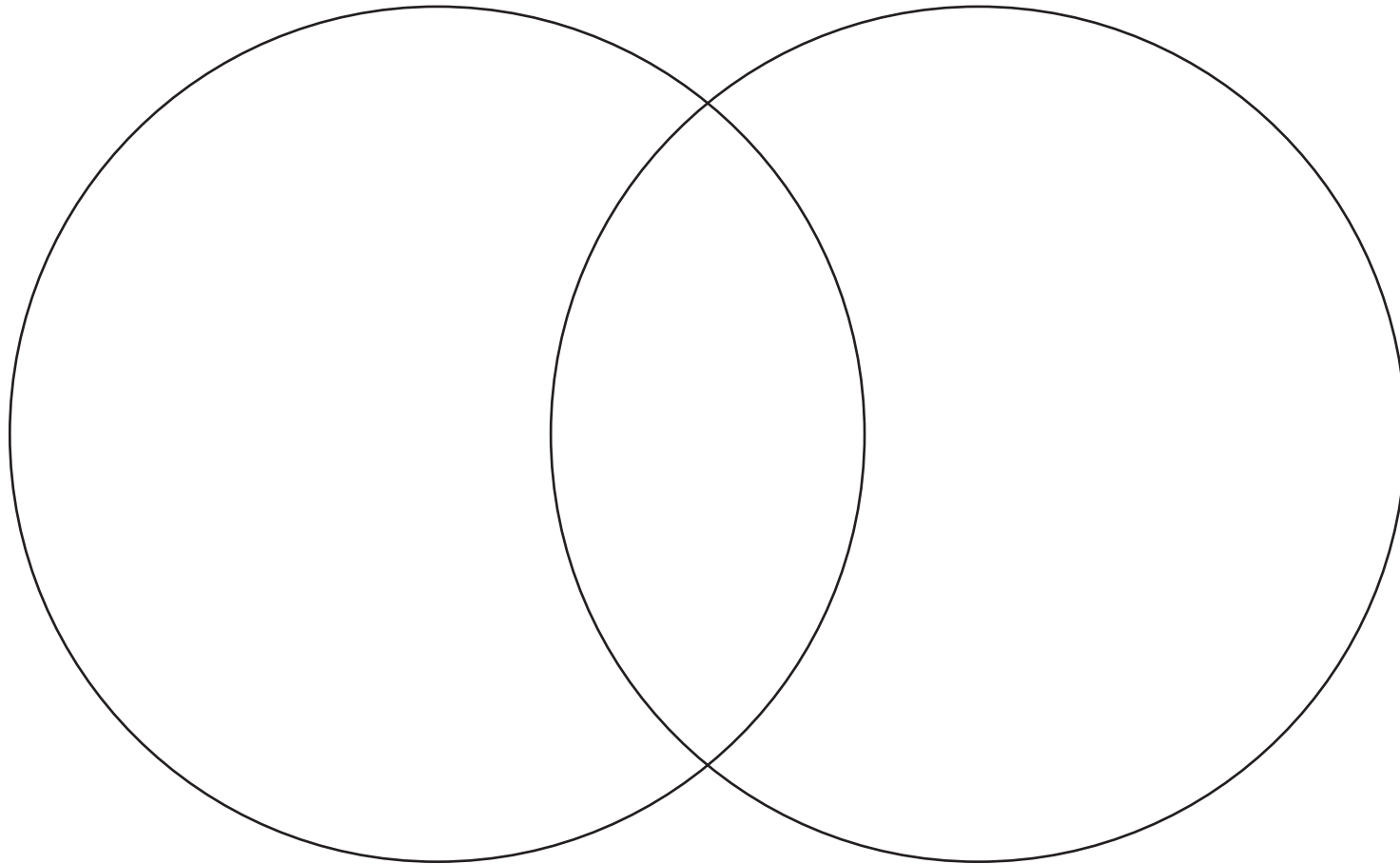
### AFTER READING:

1. Are there ways that you celebrate light? How are your traditions similar and different from those in the stories?
2. Why do you think so many different cultures celebrate light?



## CELEBRATION OF LIGHT COLLECTION

Christmas, Hanukkah, Diwali, and Kwanzaa all have elements of light. Read at least 2 books in the collection, then compare & contrast how the different celebrations showcase the theme of light. Use the Venn diagram for this activity.



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