

CHALK TALK

EXPLORING CULTURAL ASPECTS OF EID

OBJECTIVE

To encourage students to express their thoughts, questions, and associations related to the cultural aspects of Eid in a collaborative and anonymous manner.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EID:

"Eid" is a cultural and festive celebration observed by Muslims worldwide. It marks the end of Ramadan, a month of fasting, reflection, and spiritual growth. During Eid, people exchange gifts, enjoy special foods, and participate in various cultural traditions. It's a significant occasion that promotes unity, compassion, and the spirit of giving.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. PREPARE THE SPACE

Set up a large piece of paper or a digital platform (such as a shared online whiteboard) where students can contribute their thoughts. Ensure that it's easily accessible to all participants.

2. INTRODUCE THE ACTIVITY

Explain to students that they will be participating in a Chalk Talk activity focused on exploring the cultural aspects of Eid. Emphasise that the activity is anonymous, and all contributions are welcome.

3. PROVIDE PROMPTS

Offer a few prompts to kickstart the discussion. These prompts should encourage students to think about various cultural elements associated with Eid, such as food, decorations, traditions, and community celebrations.

Sample Prompts:

- What are some traditional foods or dishes eaten during Eid celebrations?
- How do families and communities decorate their homes or public spaces for Eid?
- What are some common traditions or customs observed during Eid festivities?
- How do people come together to celebrate Eid with friends, family, and neighbours?
- Are there any special activities or events that take place during Eid celebrations?

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4. ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION

Invite students to contribute their thoughts, questions, or associations related to the prompts by writing or drawing them on the paper or digital platform. Emphasise that all contributions are valuable, and there are no right or wrong answers.

5. BUILD UPON IDEAS

Encourage students to read and build upon each other's contributions. They can add additional thoughts, ask follow-up questions, or provide their own perspectives on the topics discussed.

6. REFLECT AND DISCUSS

After sufficient time has been given for contributions, facilitate a discussion where students can reflect on the ideas shared during the Chalk Talk. Encourage them to discuss common themes, interesting observations, and any new insights gained.

7. SUMMARISE AND CONCLUDE

Wrap up the activity by summarising the key points discussed during the Chalk Talk. Invite students to consider how the cultural aspects of Eid contribute to a sense of community, belonging, and celebration.

NOTE:

By engaging in this Chalk Talk activity, students have the opportunity to explore and appreciate the cultural richness of Eid. This collaborative and anonymous approach encourages active participation and allows for a diverse range of perspectives to be shared and discussed.