**Festivals**

A. **Read the paragraphs below:**

以下の文章を読んでみましょう。

**LANTERN FESTIVAL** – Pingxi, Taiwan  
This is celebrated on the last day of Chinese New Year. Children solve riddles written on lanterns. Then, people fly thousands of lanterns over Pingxi.

**MARDI GRAS** – Venice, Italy  
This is celebrated 40 days before Easter. The streets are full of people wearing costumes and masks. Many colorful boats float in canals.

**LA TOMATINA** – Bunol, Spain  
This is celebrated every last Wednesday of August. People throw tomatoes at each other on this festival. They also play games and ride slides.

**HOLI** – India  
This is celebrated on the last day of winter. Holi is the festival of colors. Everyone sprays colors at each other using water guns and balloons.

**HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL** – New Mexico, USA  
This is celebrated in early October. This is the biggest hot air balloon festival in the world. Hundreds of hot air balloons fill the sky for nine days.
B. Words and Expressions

Check the pronunciation, meaning and usage of the words with your tutor.
講師と一緒に単語の発音、意味、表現を確認しましょう。

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<td>canal</td>
<td>narrow waterway</td>
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<td>狭い水路</td>
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<td>slides</td>
<td>with smooth sloping surface</td>
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<td>spray</td>
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<td>fill</td>
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<td>満たす</td>
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C. **Write the missing words. Choose from the box below.**

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1. Children solve ________ written on lanterns.
2. Many colorful boats float in__________.
3. People throw ________ at each other on this festival.
4. They also play games and ride__________.
5. Hundreds of hot air balloons ________ the sky for nine days.

D. **Answer the following questions based on the paragraphs:**

文章の内容に沿って、次の質問に答えましょう。

1. When is Lantern Festival celebrated?
   Answer: It is celebrated on...

2. What do people wear on Mardi Gras?
   Answer: People wear...

3. What do people throw at each other on La Tomatina Festival?
   Answer: People throw...

4. What is Holi?
   Answer: Holi is...

5. How many days do hot air balloons fill the sky during the Hot Air Balloon Festival?
   Answer: Hot air balloons fill the sky for...
Answer the following question. Start your answer with the expression provided.

What is your favorite festival?

Answer: My favorite festival is...