DIWALI CHOICE BOARD

# The Choice is Yours! This is a 2-part activity meant to help you explore Diwali a bit deeper. Choose 1 creative element from the Creative Choice Board and pair it with 1 item from the Expository Writing Choice Board.

# Creative Choice Board

Pick 1 creative project from the list below to research and develop.

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| **Diwali Customs** | |
| Rangoli | Research what *rangoli* is and explore its cultural significance. Create your own rangoli using craft supplies such as construction paper, crayons, colored pencils, markers, colored rice, beads, and more. |
| Food | Research what traditional Diwali dishes are and create a 3-course tasting menu of traditional Diwali foods. Write a 3-5 sentence description of each dish, its ingredients, and include a picture. |
| Fashion | Research the fashion of Diwali and create a vision board describing what the fashion is, what it looks like, what fabrics and textiles are used, and how the garments are made. Explain how you can get ready for Diwali. |
| Décor | Research the decor of Diwali and design a room of your own: what does it look like, what items are used and why, and how you can get your home ready for Diwali. You can use Google Slides, poster-board, or other approved media. |

# Expository Writing Choice Board

Pick 1 writing project from the list below to research and develop.

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| **Process Essay**  **(5 para. Minimum)** | **Compare and Contrast Essay**  **(5 para. Minimum)** |
| Description Choose one of the above items from the Choice Board (rangoli, one Diwali dish, Diwali fashion, or home decor) and explain how it works and how to do it by providing a step-by-step explanation. You must do the following:   * Present the essential steps in the process. * Explain the steps in detail. * Present the steps in logical and chronological order.   \*\* Each step will have its own paragraph, so your essay may exceed the 5-paragraph minimum. \*\* | Description Compare/contrast Diwali and another cultural holiday. Examine what their similarities and contrasts are. |
| Outline **Introduction:** Explain what makes your subject meaningful.  **Body Paragraph 1**: Step 1  **Body Paragraph 2**: Step 2  **Body Paragraph 3**: Step 3  **Conclusion** | Outline **Introduction**: Explain what makes your subject meaningful.  **Body Paragraph 1**: Compare (Similarities)  **Body Paragraph 2**: Contrast (Differences)  **Body Paragraph 3**: Significance  **Conclusion** |

### Source

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