Chinese New Year 2027 Activity Calendar: the Eve to Day 7

Year of the Goat · Name: _____

New Year's Eve — Fri, Feb 5

The family reunion dinner is the most important meal for Chinese families. Fish and dumplings are often served. Draw what is on your table tonight. [1]

☐ Done!

Day 1: New Year's Day — Sat, Feb 6

People visit close relatives first. Tradition says brooms are put away so good luck is not swept out. Children may get red envelopes. [2, 3, 4]

☐ Done!

Day 2 — Sun, Feb 7

Learn to say "Happy New Year": xīn nián kuài lè. Say it to three people today.

☐ Done!

Day 3 — Mon, Feb 8

Find out which zodiac animal your birth year belongs to. Draw your animal.

☐ Done!

Day 4 — Tue, Feb 9

Make a red envelope from the template and write a kind wish to put inside.

☐ Done!

Day 5 — Wed, Feb 10

Read or listen to the story of the Great Race. Which animal came first?

☐ Done!

Day 6 — Thu, Feb 11

Fold a paper lantern and hang it near a window.

☐ Done!

Day 7 — Fri, Feb 12

Write the numbers 1 to 10 in Chinese characters. Which one looks easiest?

☐ Done!

Chinese New Year 2027 Activity Calendar: Day 8 to the Lantern Festival

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Day 8 Sat, Feb 13

Make a greeting card for someone in your family.

☐ Done!

Day 9 Sun, Feb 14

Find China on a map. Then find two other places where people celebrate the new year now.

☐ Done!

Day 10 Mon, Feb 15

Cut a paper shape to decorate a window or door.

☐ Done!

Day 11 Tue, Feb 16

Ask an older relative or neighbour how they celebrate a new year. Write down one thing they told you.

☐ Done!

Day 12 Wed, Feb 17

Put the twelve zodiac animals in race order without looking. Check your answer.

☐ Done!

Day 13 Thu, Feb 18

Write a lantern riddle of your own for a friend to solve.

☐ Done!

Day 14 Fri, Feb 19

Get your lantern and your riddle ready for tomorrow.

☐ Done!

Day 15: Lantern Festival Sat, Feb 20

The Lantern Festival ends the New Year. People hang up lanterns, solve riddles written on them and eat tangyuan, round rice balls. [5, 3]

☐ Done!

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