Chinese New Year

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Chinese New Year

a.k.a.

Lunar New Year

or the

Spring Festival

→ Date

- Lunisolar Chinese calendar
 - In Gregorian: January 21 February 20
 - Also used in many other eastern Asian countries
- Second new moon after winter solstice
 - Third new moon if "leap month"

→ Celebration

15 days

Chinese New Year's Eve

to

Lantern Festival



Food

Lots of them



→ On the 8th day of last lunar month



'Laba' congee

- mixed grains
- dried fruit
- raisins
- beans
- nuts
- etc.

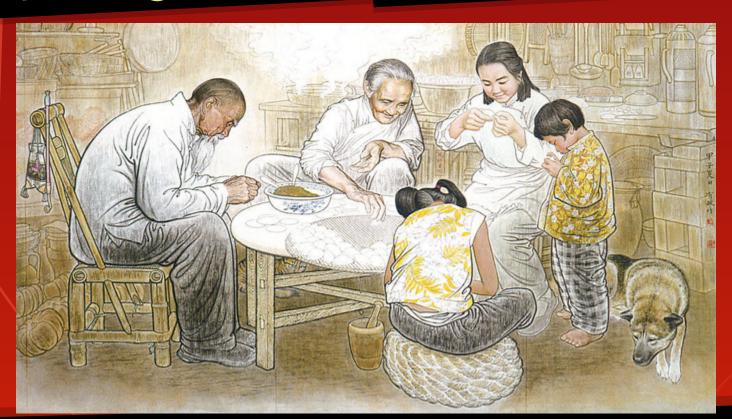
→ NYE Reunion Dinner



→ NYE Reunion Dinner: Dumplings



Making dumplings



→ Why dumplings?



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→ Chinese New Year's Cake



→ Lantern Festival: 'Tangyuan'



→ Firecrackers



→ Red envelope



→ Dragon dance & Lion dance





→ CCTV New Year's Gala



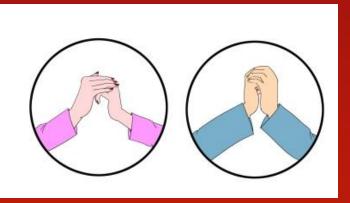


→ CNY in Numbers



3.6 billion trips by the Chinese people 225 million Chinese travel overseas \pm 200 (\$33) expected in each red envelope

→ Greetings





Greetings

新年快樂 Happy New Year!

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May you have a prosperous New Year!