



Traditional Festivals

There are many different traditional celebrations all over the world. In the northern part of China, people celebrate La Shou. This is a religious celebration which takes place every year around July 15th. During this celebration, people burn their old clothes to help the spirits through Chinese, Buddhist and Taoist religions.

In English speaking countries people celebrate St. Valentine's Day. This celebration is on 14th and 15th. It's a special time for people to love. Boys and girls send cards to their girlfriends.

The day of the dead is a very important celebration in Mexico. It begins on October 31st and ends on November 2nd. It's not a sad day. There are parties in every town and city in honor of the dead. In these days people eat, sing and dance. They make special candies, paper skulls and marionettes.

On the evening of February 2nd, Japanese people take one chick from each nest of their egg and they have the feast of the four children "good luck is, and spirit out". This is known as Hinamatsuri, a time to celebrate the end of winter and the beginning of spring.