

Let's Find Out About Festivals!

Let's Read!

Read about this festival in Japan. Where will Noriko go and why? What will she take with her?



Hanami:

We asked Noriko, from Japan, about a famous festival that will take place next month.

Noriko, what is Hanami?

It's an ancient festival that happens when the cherry blossoms (the flowers on cherry trees) open. It's usually in March or April. Hanami means *looking at flowers* in Japanese.

Where will you go to look at cherry blossoms?

I'll go to the park with my family. There are a lot of beautiful trees there. We'll sit under the cherry trees and have a picnic.

What will you eat at the picnic?

We always take lunchboxes full of delicious food. This year, I'll also take wagashi, which are Japanese sweets, and cherry blossom biscuits, my favourites!

Let's prepare!

During the *Live Lesson* you will talk about a festival in your country. Work with your classmates to get ready by making notes here:

Name of festival?	
When?	
Where?	
Food?	
Clothes?	
Activities?	
Anything else?	