St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day is a special day that is celebrated on March 17th every year. It is a fun holiday celebrated in Ireland and around the world. St. Patrick's Day is a day of fun for people of all ages. Whether you're Irish or not, it's a great excuse to spend time with loved ones and enjoy some traditional Irish food and drinks. It is a time to celebrate Irish culture and to remember the life of Saint Patrick. St. Patrick, was a saint in Ireland. He built churches and spread the Christian faith. On St. Patrick's Day, people wear something green, like a green shirt or a green hat. People also go to parades and eat special treats. The shamrock, which is green, is a special symbol of St. Patrick's Day. The shamrock is a plant with three leaves. It is a symbol of good luck. So, when you see someone wearing green on March 17th, wish them good luck and a happy St. Patrick's Day!

- 1. Read the passage about St. Patrick's Day
- 2. Underline each word that you could not read.
- 3. Circle each word that took you more than 1 try.
- 4. Answer the questions.

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- a. every year
- b. bi-annually
- c. once a month
- 2. St. Patrick's Day is celebrated:
- a. in Ireland
- b. around the world
- c. in Europe
- 3. It's a time to celebrate:
- a. being lucky
- b. leprechauns
- c. Irish culture
- 4. St. Patrick:
- a. wore green and wore a shamrock
- b. Spread Christian faith and built churches
- c. was a farmer who grew shamrocks
- The shamrock is a symbol of:
- a. good luck
- b. being Irish
- c. celebrating Irish people

St. Patrick's Day Open Response Questions

Open Response Questions for Thinking Skills:

- 1. Inferring
- 2. Making Connections
- 3. Summarizing
- 4. Visualizing
- 1. Why do you think St. Patrick's wanted to spread Christianity and build churches?
- 2. What does reading this story make you think of? Remind you of? Make you want to do?
- 3. In 2 sentences explain what this reading passage is all about.
- 4. What images occur in your mind after reading this? What types of things can you visualize?

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