

A BOOK All About St. Patrick's Day for young children



About St. Patrick's Day

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St. Patrick is Ireland's patron saint. That means that people from Ireland believe that he protects them.



Saint Patrick's Day is a holiday in Ireland. Irish families attend church in the morning and celebrate in the afternoon. People dance, drink and feast on traditional food like Irish bacon, corned beef, soda bread and cabbage.



There are many thousands of people around the world who celebrate this special Irish holiday. They celebrate St. Patrick's Day because they themselves are partly Irish.



St. Patrick's Day Book for Young Children

traditions, customs, origins
and symbols of an Irish holiday



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Statement of Purpose: This book could be a shared book for younger children or an independent book for older children.

This factual book aims to help children understand the origins, customs, traditions and symbols of St. Patrick's Day in a simple, easy to read format. Teachers should aim to develop children's knowledge of this holiday as a foundation to any follow-up learning experiences. This book aims to compliment your St. Patrick's Day program and also our St. Patrick's Day worksheets seen in our TpT store.



How to use this resource: Print out your five paged book and staple.

Read to the class as a shared book. Teachers should read the book several times to give students the opportunity to absorb understand and question facts. Teachers could print two slides to a page with their printer settings, to make smaller copies for students to read in small groups, pairs or individually.

Teachers should list vocabulary as they read the book with their students. A full list of St. Patrick's Day vocabulary is available in our [St. Patrick's Day Reading and Writing Worksheets](#) file.

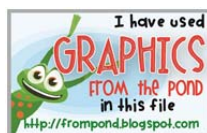
Teachers could table a list of facts about the special Irish holiday.

Students could describe the events in the life of an Irish family celebrating St. Patrick's Day.

Clever Classroom also has an extensive range of St. Patrick's Day worksheets that teach students 'about the Irish holiday based on the book in this file. The [St. Patrick's Day file](#) in our store also contains a section of writing and spelling worksheets



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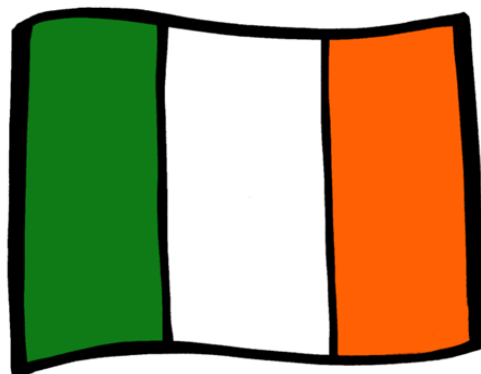
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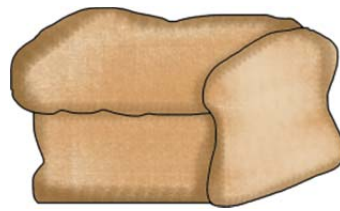
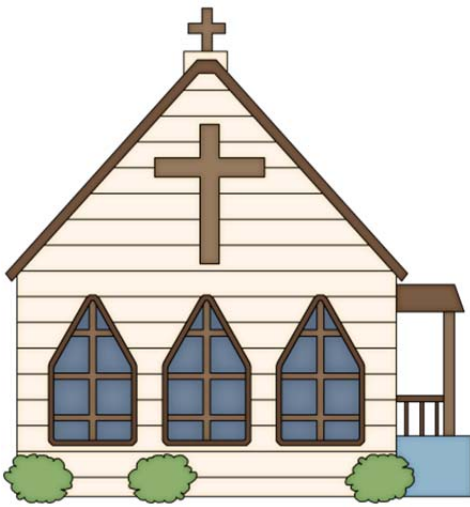
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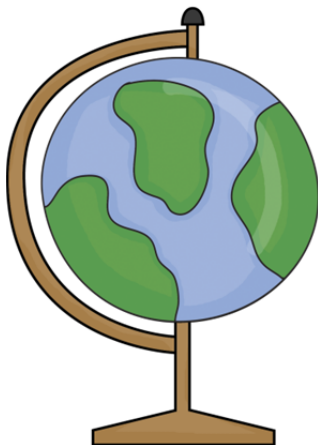
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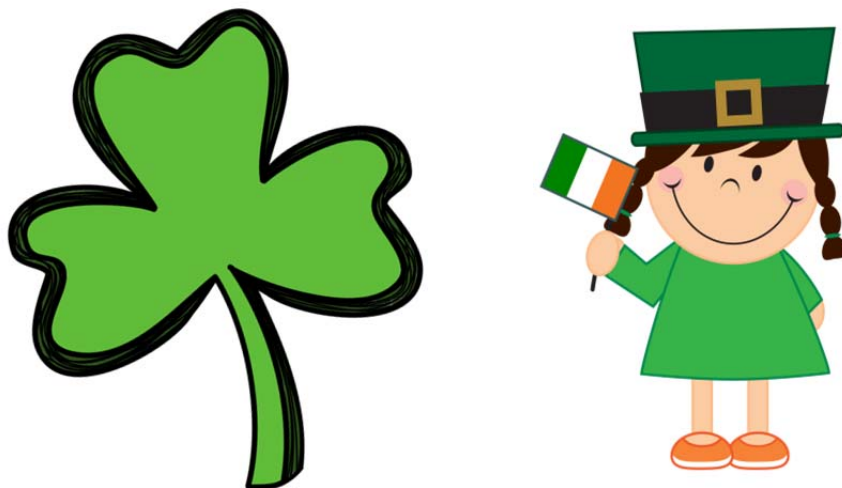
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In many cities around the world, people participate in a street parade. These people usually wear green and sometimes wear a lime green chrysanthemum.



You may also know about the shamrock, which is a special plant to the Irish. It represents the beginning of Spring. Green is worn on St. Patrick's Day as it is one of the colors in the flag.



Some Irish people believe that under some rainbows there is a pot of gold!



Many people believe that Irish people are lucky. Many times, you will see people with a horseshoe because this is also seen as lucky!



Some Irish people believe in leprechauns or 'small bodied people'. This is a folklore, which just means that it is a traditional story that has been passed down over hundreds of years.



The leprechauns were believed to be very tricky. Some have said that this was because they were always trying to keep their treasures hidden.



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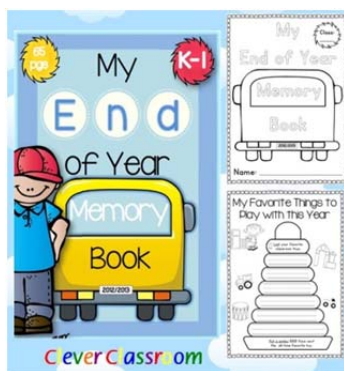


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