

The Chinese New Year Wishing Tree



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The Chinese New Year tradition of the 'wishing tree' began hundreds of years ago in Hong Kong.

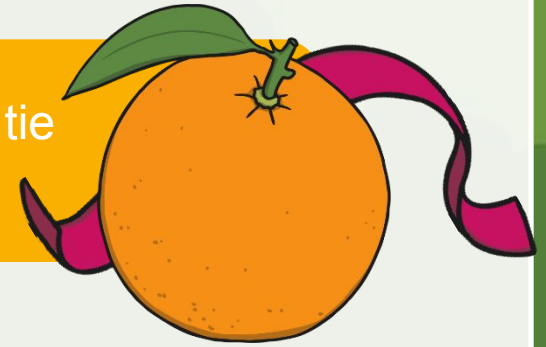
During Chinese New Year and other festivals, people travel to ancient banyan trees to leave their wishes.



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People write their wishes on wishing paper and then tie them to oranges with colourful ribbons.



People throw their oranges and wishes up into the tree.

It is believed that if the wishes get stuck in the tree and hang on one of the branches, the wish will come true.



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