



Kwanzaa is a holiday that celebrates and honors African American heritage and culture. Kwanzaa is celebrated over seven days, from December 26th to January 1st. The illustrations below show some of the traditions of Kwanzaa.



Gifts are given during the last day of Kwanzaa. Children are given gifts that celebrate African heritage.

Families decorate their home with traditional African art. The flag that represents Kwanzaa is green, red, and black.

Fruit is an important symbol in Kwanzaa. It represents the first fruits of the harvest.





The kinara (candle holder) is the most important symbol of Kwanzaa. The center candle is the first to be lit. The rest of the candles are lit from right to left.

Do you celebrate Kwanzaa? If not, how is Kwanzaa similar to a holiday you celebrate?