



# Taiwan culture

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# Outline

✦ Religions



✦ Festival



✦ Night Market



**Religions**



# Proportion of religions in Taiwan



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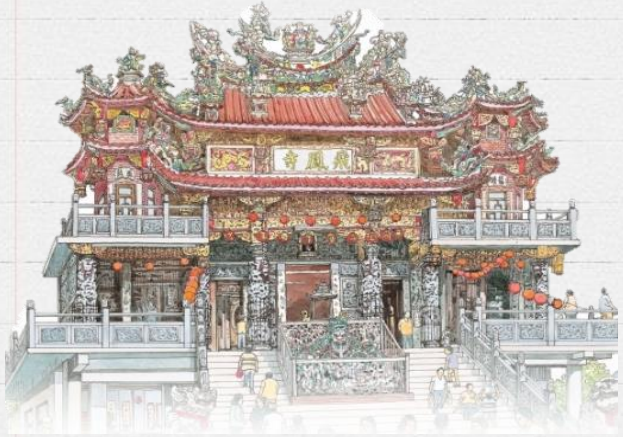
■ Tradition





# Religion in Taiwan

- There are totally 12,306 temples, 2,835 churches (chapels), 4 mosques, and countless Taoist small temples, such as god of the land, in Taiwan.





# Amulet

- A symbol of the god and the temple
- It has the ability of protection





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# Pilgrimage (god's parade)

- The god come to visit the world, can patrol and protect the area.
- The believers followed the incense to worship and pray for bless.



➤ Palanquin

# 媽祖 Pilgrimage



- The famous pilgrimage in Taiwan is about 媽祖.
- 媽祖 was used to be the patron saint of sea.
- In March to April, It's 媽祖 birthday



# When to start the Pilgrimage ?







# Crawling chair feet(鑽轎底)



- Crawling underneath the palanquin
- Try to drive illness or evil out by the god.
- Now it's a way to pray for peace and bless



**Festival**



# Lunar New Year

- Falls during January or February.
- Light firecrackers
- Receive lucky money in red envelopes.
- Many activities are held.
- For example:
  - Sky Lantern Festival
  - Beehive Fireworks



# Sky Lantern Festival



- It is held in a small town called Pingxi, New Taipei City.





# Why do people put sky lanterns ?



- In ancient times  
To told the family that they were safe and peace
- Now  
Wishing, blessing, and the meaning of celebrating the New Year

# Beehive Fireworks

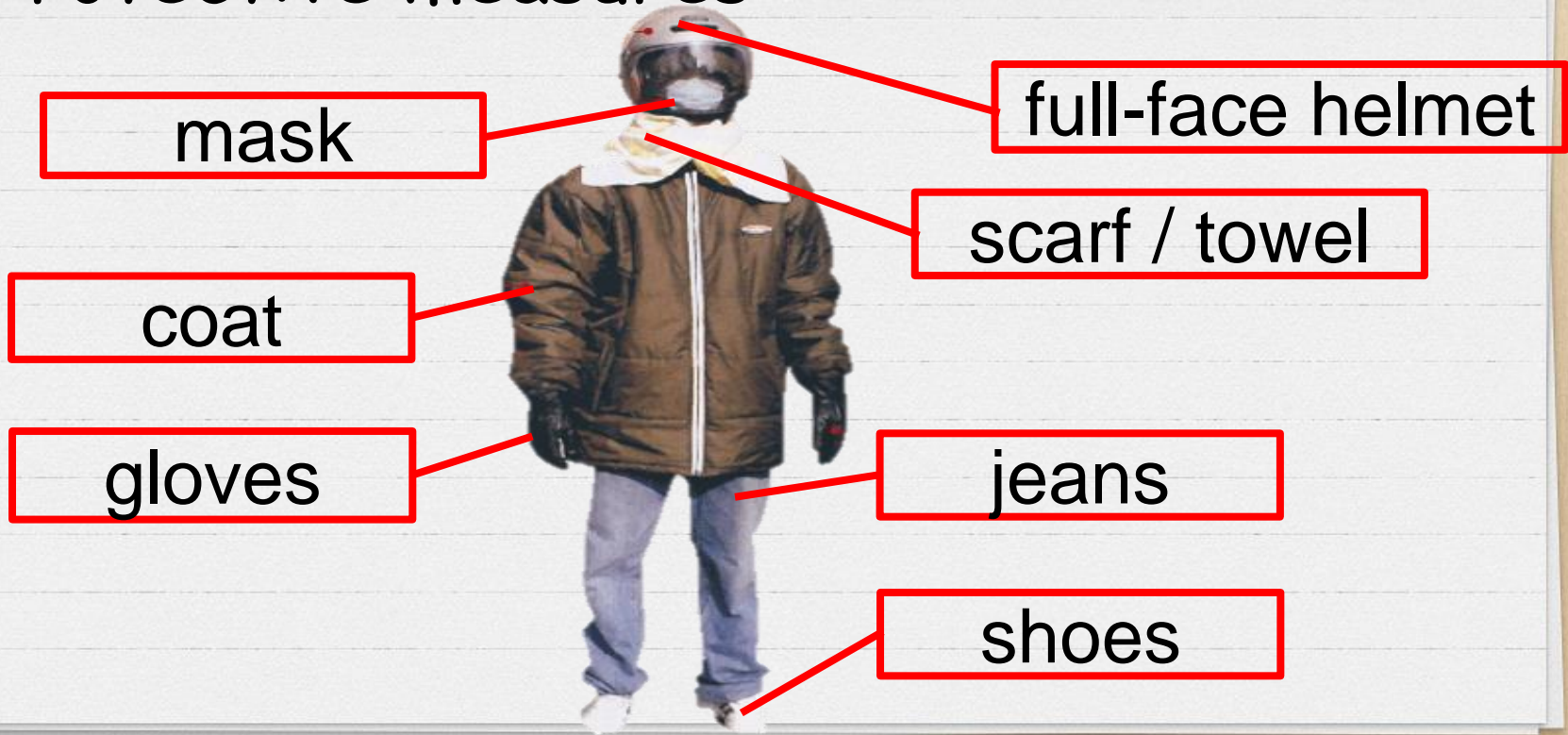
- It is held in Yanshuei, Tainan City.
- Remove the bad luck of one year and bring good luck of the new year.
- a section of a video:

<https://youtu.be/ULGOmlcYbal>





# Protective measures



mask

full-face helmet

scarf / towel

coat

gloves

jeans

shoes

# Dragon Boat Festival

- It is celebrated on the fifth day of the May of the lunar calendar.





# What do we do during Dragon Boat Festival ?

- Eat sticky rice buns
- sticky rice, pork belly, salted egg yolk, peanuts



# What do we do during Dragon Boat Festival ?

- See or join the dragon boat race





# Moon Festival (Mid-Autumn Festival)



- According to the lunar calendar , on the August 15th is Moon Festival.
- It is an important day for family reunion.

# What do we do during Moon Festival ?



eat mooncakes



eat pomelos



# What do we do during Moon Festival ?

- In Taiwan, people do something special on Moon Festival .



- Having a barbecue is the most important thing on this festival in Taiwan .



**Night Market**



# Night Markets

- You can find night markets in almost every city in Taiwan.
- There are various Taiwanese snacks sold in night markets.







- Fried Chicken Cutlets
- Oyster Omelet
- Stinky Tofu
- Bubble tea





# Thanks!

Any questions?

