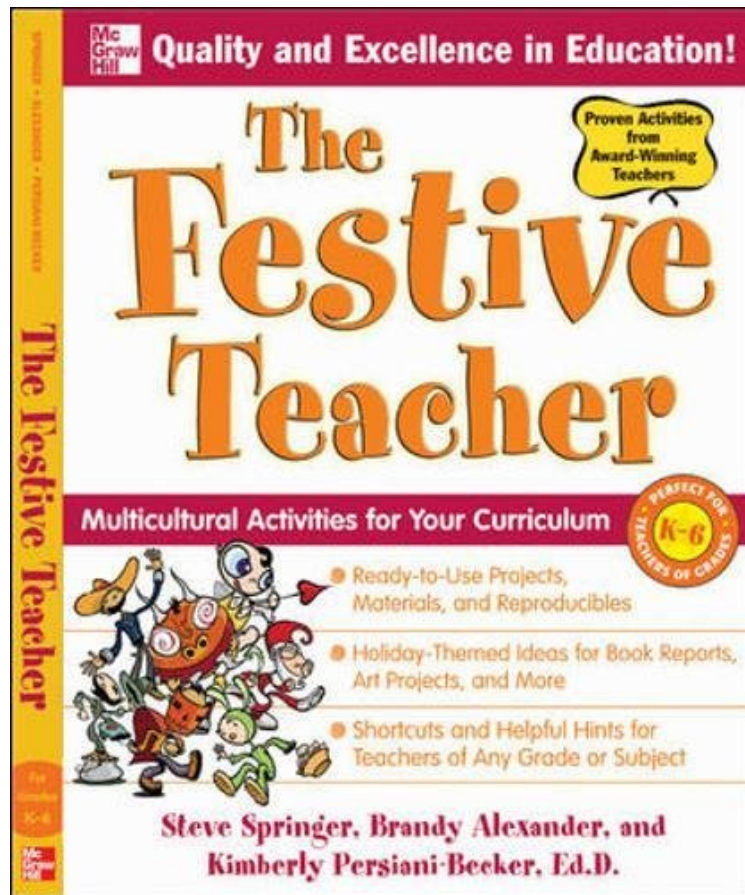


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Steve Springer, Brandy Alexander, Kimberly Persiani : The Festive Teacher: Multicultural Activities for Your Curriculum before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Festive Teacher: Multicultural Activities for Your Curriculum:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Handy and practical for teaching holidays in the K-6 classroom By Z Hayes This is a wonderful resource for teachers who would like to teach the different holidays celebrated in the United States and also outside the US. The holidays represented here are those deemed to have cultural, historical, and religious significance. Every holiday represented in this book has a brief introduction on its history and background. There are also suggested activities listed on each page, in the form of reproducible worksheets (I just love those!). There is a Teacher Resource Page at the end of each holiday which provides ideas for bulletin boards, extension activities, a Word Bank of key words that can be used for spelling, writing, and vocabulary, and also a list of recommended reading materials, both fiction and non-fiction for the students. The holidays covered in this book are (arranged chronologically): Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Chinese New Year Groundhog Day Valentine's Day President's Day St. Patrick's Day Easter April Fool's Day Earth Day Arbor Day May Day Cinco de Mayo Mother's

DayVictoria DayMemorial DayCanada DayFather's DayIndependence DayLabor DayRamadanColumbus DayHalloweenDay of the DeadElection DayVeterans DayThanksgiving DayHanukkahChristmasBoxing DayKwanzaaNew Year's Eve and DayThere is a bibliography in the form of recommended websites, which can be used by teachers to obtain more information on a particular holiday or be used by students to do research during the extension activities. I would recommend this resource to any K-6 teacher who is keen on integrating significant holidays and celebration into the curriculum.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy jg3Good book with some interesting craft ideas.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Okay, but a little disappointing.By TerriI thought that there would be a little more to this book. There are limited activities for a limited amount of festive occasions. It also just isn't as "multicultural" as I had hoped - especially for the price. Just as an example,we have many Hispanic students other than of Mexican origin, so I was looking for more than the Cinco de Mayo. This book is probably fine for a first year teacher who is really strapped for ideas.

An activities-packed resource for dazzling bulletin boards, exciting read-alouds, and time-saving additions to your lesson plans! Decorations, cupcakes, and parties are great, but now you can take holidays to the next level by incorporating them into your lesson plans quickly and easily! The Festive Teacher is a complete package of activities and story-starters directly connected to curriculum, from Groundhog Day math games to Columbus Day journaling activities. In all, it covers thirty-one North American holidays, including Christmas, Ramadan, Day of the Dead, Canada Day, and Cinco de Mayo. Filled with reproducible materials, The Festive Teacher is an instant, off-the-shelf answer to your needs. The Festive Teacher contains reams of material to help you: Teach traditions, history, and cultural perspective Create bulletin boards that will impress any administrator Conduct read-alouds and shared-reading activities Get students engaged in research and journal writing Kids love holiday celebrations in the classroom. With materials adaptable for students of all levels, this complete package will keep your students motivated, engaged, and excited. And, best of all, they'll be learning while they're celebrating.

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