Diwali is the Hindu festival of lights and is one of the most important celebrations for Hindus. It is celebrated over five days in October and November.

During Diwali, many people eat special food and give each other presents. They celebrate with fireworks and decorate their homes with oil lamps. These lamps help the goddess Lakshmi find her way into people’s homes.

The festival also celebrates one of the Diwali legends. The legend tells of the return of Rama and Sita from a 14-year long exile and the vanquishing of the demon King Ravan. During Diwali, many Hindus read or act out the story of Rama and Sita.
The festival of Diwali

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Answer the following questions.

1. Who celebrates Diwali?

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2. In which months is Diwali celebrated?

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3. What do people decorate their homes with?

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4. What is the name of the goddess who is celebrated during Diwali?

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5. In the Diwali legend, which demon is vanquished?

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6. For how many years were Rama and Sita exiled?

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