

Grade Levels(s): K , 1st , 2nd , 3rd , 4th , 5th , 6th , 7th ,  
8th , 9th , 10th , 11th , 12th  
Subject(s): ELA

Wonder of the Day #165  
Who Was Saint Patrick?

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## St Patrick's Day 40 min

### Objective:

Understand the origins of St. Patrick's Day traditions.

Program is targeted for grades 1-3 - but can be expanded to older grades -see:

<http://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/...>

### Big Idea:

Why do we celebrate St. Patrick's Day? Ask your relatives about your own family history. Do you have Irish ancestry?

## 1. Warm Up / Anticipatory 20 min

Review [St. Patrick's Day](#) by Brenda Haugen and illustrated by Sheree Boyd

and [St. Patrick's Day: Day of Irish Pride](#) by June Prezler



## 2. Investigation and New Learning 10 min

### Why wear Green?

*Green is the national color of Ireland - but "wearing green" is an American tradition - in Ireland wearing too much green is considered "bad luck."*

### Why do we celebrate St. Patrick's Day on March 17th?

*St. Patrick was born in Britain in 385 A.D. He was sold into slavery in Ireland when he was 16 - he died on March 17, 461 A. D.*

## **Do the Irish celebrate St. Patrick's Day?**

*St. Patrick's Day began in Ireland as a holy church day - but now is celebrated as a week long festival. In America, as the number of immigrants from Ireland settled in large U.S. cities like New York City, the tradition has become a secular holiday featuring parades and celebrating Irish culture.*

## **What is the first American City to celebrate St. Patrick's Day?**

*Boston, Massachusetts became the first American city to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in 1737.*

## **3. Review & Check for Understanding** 30 min

Read clues and have kids guess the correct word - St. Patrick's Day vocabulary.

**Note:** Kids will end the session by constructing shamrocks

**Standards:** RI.K.1 K.C.MC.2.1. LA 0.4.1.A. LA 0.1.6.M. LA 0.1.6.ⓧ LA 0.1.6.I. K.RI.LCS.11.2. K.RI.LCS.9.2. K.RL.LCS.10.2. K.RL.LCS.10.1. K.RI.P.4.1. K.RI.MC.6.1. K.RI.LCS.9.1. LA 0.1.6.F. LA 0.1.6.E. RI.K.4. RI.K.8. RI.K.2. RI.K.1. RL.K.4. RL.K.5. RF.K.4. SL.K.2. LA 0.1.5.C. LA 0.1.6.D. LA 0.1.4.A. L.K.6. L.K.5.C. (K.7) K.I.3.1. 0.8.2.2. 0.10.5.5.C. 0.3.0.4. 0.2.8.8. 0.2.2.2. 0.2.4.4. 0.10.6.6. 110.11 (F) K.10 (A) (K.9) 110.11 (A) 110.11 (B) 110.11 (C) 0.2.1.1. 0.1.5.5. K.SL.3.1. K.RV.3.2. 0.1.4.4. K.8.A) K.1.A) K.RV.3.1. K.RV.1.1. K.RN.2.1. K.RF.1.1. K.RN.2.2. K.RN.3.2. K.RN.4.1. 3.1. K.RL.P.4.1. L.K.5C L.K.6 RF.K.4 SL.K.2 RI.K.8 RI.K.4 RI.K.2 LA 1.1.6.E. LA 1.1.4.A. LA 1.1.6.ⓧ LA 1.1.5.C. LA 1.2.1.C. LA 1.4.1.A. 1.RN.2.1. LA 1.1.6.O. LA 1.1.6.M. LA 1.1.6.I. SL.1.2. RI.1.8. RI.1.7. RI.1.6. RI.1.4. RI.1.10. RF.1.4.A. 1.RF.1.1. L.1.5.C. 1.RN.2.2. 1.RN.1.1. 1.RI.LCS.9.1. 1.10.F) 1.10.G) 1.SL.3.1. 1.RV.3.2. 1.8.E) 1.8.C) 1.1.A) 2.1. 1.8.A) 1.8.B) 1.RV.1.1. 1.RN.4.1. 1.RI.LCS.8.1. RI.1.2. 1.RI.LCS.9.2. 1.RI.LCS.11.2. 1.RI.MC.6.1. 1.RL.LCS.10.2. 1.I.2.1. 1.I.3.1. 1.RL.LCS.10.1. 1.W.MCC.2.1. LA 1.1.6.D. 1.2.7.7. 1.2.8.8. 1.3.0.4.A. 1.8.2.2. 1.2.6.6. 1.2.4.4. 1.1.10.10. 1.2.1.1. 1.2.2.2. 1.8.7.7.A. 1.8.7.7.B. 1.14 (B) 110.12 (C) 110.12 (D) 110.12 (F) RI.1.1. 1.14 (A) 1.10.5.5.C. 1.4 (B) (1.8) 1.1.4.4. 1.2.10.10. RI.1.1 L.1.5C RF.1.4A RL.1.4. RL.1.10. SL.1.2 RI.1.8 RI.1.10 RI.1.2 RI.1.4 RI.1.7 RI.1.6 EIV.1 (A) 9.5.2.2. (EII.3) EII.1 (A) 110.31 (B) EII.1 (C) EII.2 (A) EII.5 (D) EII.5 (B) (EII.7) E4.RI.MC.5.1. EIII.9 (B) EIII.15 (D) (EIII.3) EIII.2 (C) EIII.1 (C) 110.31 (A) 110.33 (A) EIII.1 (A) (EII.8) E4.RI.MC.5.2. EII.9 (B) 110.32 (A) 110.32 (B) 110.33 (B) LA 10.1.6.O. 9.4.10.10.A. 9.4.6.6. 9.4.4.4. 9.4.10.10.B. 9.4.10.10.A. 9.5.1.1. 9.4.10.10.B. EIV.2 (C) E4.RI.LCS.8.1. E4.RI.LCS.11.2. E4.C.MC.1.1. E4.RI.LCS.9.5. E4.RI.LCS.9.4. E4.RI.LCS.9.2. E4.RI.LCS.9.3. E4.RI.MC.6.1. LA 10.4.1.A. LA 10.1.4.A. LA 10.1.5.C. EI.1 (A) (EI.3) (EI.8) EI.5 (D) LA 10.1.5.D. LA 10.1.6.E. LA 10.1.6.M. LA 10.2.1.C. LA 10.1.6.I. LA 10.1.6.ⓧ LA 10.1.6.F. LA 10.1.6.G. EI.9 (B) 110.47.10 (B) EI.1.2.1. EI.1.3.2. E3.I.2.1. E3.I.3.2. E3.RL.P.4.2. E1.RL.P.4.2. E1.RL.LCS.10.2. E1.RL.LCS.10.6. E1.RI.P.4.1. E1.RL.LCS.10.5. E1.RL.LCS.10.4. E1.RL.LCS.10.3. E3.RL.LCS.10.2. E3.RL.LCS.10.3. E3.RI.LCS.8.1. E3.RI.MC.6.1. E3.RI.LCS.9.2. E3.RI.LCS.9.3. E3.RI.LCS.9.4. E3.RI.MC.5.2. E3.RI.MC.5.1. E3.RL.LCS.10.5. E3.RL.LCS.10.4. E3.RL.LCS.10.6. E3.RI.P.4.1. E3.RI.P.4.2. E1.RI.P.4.2. E1.RI.MC.5.1. E2.RI.MC.5.1. E2.RI.MC.5.2. E2.RI.P.4.2. E2.RI.P.4.1. E2.RL.LCS.10.6. E2.RI.MC.6.1. E2.RI.LCS.8.1. E2.RI.LCS.9.5. E2.C.MC.1.1. E2.RI.LCS.9.4. E2.RI.LCS.9.3. E2.RI.LCS.9.2. E2.RL.LCS.10.5. E2.RL.LCS.10.4. E1.RI.LCS.9.3. E1.RI.LCS.9.4. E1.RI.LCS.9.2. E1.RI.MC.6.1. E1.RI.MC.5.2. E1.RI.LCS.9.5. E1.C.MC.1.1. E2.RL.LCS.10.2. E2.RL.LCS.10.3. E2.RL.P.4.2. E2.I.3.2. E2.I.2.1. E3.RI.LCS.9.5. E3.RI.LCS.11.2. 110.48.3 (A) 110.48.4 (E) 110.48.2 (A) 110.47.8 (D) 110.47.8 (A) 110.48.4 (F) 110.48.5 (A) 110.51.2 (C) 110.51.2 (I) 110.51.1 (A) 110.49.2 (B) 110.48.6 (C) 110.47.6 (C) 110.47.6 (A) 110.34 (A) 110.34 (B) EIV.15 (D) EIV.9 (D) (EIV.8) 110.46.1 (A) 110.47.2 (A) 110.47.4 (C) 110.47.5 (B) 110.47.3 (D) 110.47.3 (C) 110.47.3 (B) 110.51.2 (L) 110.51.4 (B) E4.RL.LCS.10.6. E4.RL.LCS.10.5. E4.RI.P.4.1. E4.RI.P.4.2. 110.55.5 (B) E4.RL.LCS.10.4. E4.RL.LCS.10.3. E4.I.2.1. E3.C.MC.1.1. E4.I.3.2. E4.RL.P.4.2. E4.RL.LCS.10.2. 110.55.5 (A) 110.55.4 (D) 110.54.5 (B) 110.54.5 (C) 110.54.5 (A) 110.53.3 (B) 110.51.4 (C) 110.55.2 (C) 110.55.3 (A) 110.55.4 (B) 110.55.4 (C) 110.55.4 (A) 110.55.3 (C) 110.55.3 (B) (EIV.3) 110.47.5 (E) 10.4.G) 10.4.E) 10.4.D) 10.4.C) 10.4.I) 10.5.F) 9.9.7.7.B. 9.7.8.8. 9.5.4.4. 10.3.F) 9-10.RV.2.2. RL.9-10.10. 1.1. 3.1. RL.9-10.4. RI.9-10.1. RI.9-10.2. L.9-10.6. W.9-10.8. RI.9-10.4. 9.11.6.6. 10.5.ⓧ 9-10.RN.1.1. 9-10.RN.2.1. 9-10.RN.2.2. RI.9-10.1 RI.9-10.2 L.9-10.6 W.9-10.8 RI.9-10.4 9-10.RV.1.1. 9-10.RL.1.1. LA 12.1.6.O. LA 12.2.1.C. LA 12.4.1.A. LA 12.1.6.M. LA 12.1.6.I. LA 12.1.6.F. LA 12.1.6.G. LA 12.1.6.ⓧ. 110.55.5 (B) 110.55.3 (A) 110.55.5 (A) 110.55.4 (B) 110.55.4 (C) LA 12.1.6.E. 110.55.4 (A) E4.RL.LCS.10.6. 110.55.3 (B) 110.55.3 (C)