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Diwali Traditions Answer Key

1. Diyas (oil lamps)
2. To welcome good fortune
3. Ladoo and jalebi
4. Fireworks light up the sky
5. Light, kindness, and hope can overcome darkness and fear

Teacher's Guide

- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - For younger readers, read the passage aloud and point to vocabulary like *diyas* and *rangoli* using visuals.
 - For advanced students, have them write one extra sentence explaining how Diwali is similar to or different from another celebration.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Let students make paper diyas or draw rangoli patterns using colored pencils.
 - Play soft instrumental Indian music while students work to set a festive tone.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Ask students to write a few lines about what "light" means to them personally.
 - Create a classroom display of "lights of kindness" where each student adds one act of kindness they can do during the week.