

Dancing Dragons Answer Key

Action Verbs Underlined:

pound, winds, lift, twirl, shimmers, cheers, waves, jump, leaps, bends, spins, glittering, rises, move, stomp, sway, bows, rests, return, bring

Teacher's Guide

Purpose: This worksheet strengthens students' understanding of **action verbs** while connecting literacy skills to the vibrant traditions of the **Lunar New Year**.

Quick Tips for Teachers:

- **Pre-teach vocabulary:** Review words like *twirl*, *sway*, and *leaps* to support comprehension.
- **Differentiation:**
 - For **younger students (Grades 3-4)** - read the passage aloud and have students clap or act out each action word as they hear it.
 - For **older students (Grades 5+)** - challenge them to identify vivid verbs and rewrite one sentence using new, powerful action verbs.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Play gentle drum sounds or show a short, age-appropriate clip of a dragon dance before reading to build excitement.
 - Encourage students to create a short paragraph describing a festival or parade using at least five action verbs.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Students can illustrate one sentence from the passage, showing the movement of the dragon.
 - Have students write a mini "verb parade," listing action words that describe celebration and movement.