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## Celebrating Diversity and Culture

Reading Comprehension Questions Answers:

1. Congress established Asian Pacific American Heritage Month in 1977.
2. May was chosen because it marked the arrival of the first known Japanese immigrants to the United States in May 1843 and the completion of the transcontinental railroad in May 1869, largely built by Chinese immigrants.
3. Some events and activities that take place during Asian Pacific American Heritage Month include cultural festivals, art exhibits, music and dance performances, storytelling sessions, and educational workshops.
4. During this month, students learn about the traditions, history, achievements, and notable figures from Asian and Pacific Islander cultures. They also learn about languages, traditional clothing, customs, food, and holidays celebrated by these communities.
5. Asian Pacific American Heritage Month is important because it promotes understanding, respect, and appreciation for the diverse cultures and contributions of Asian and Pacific Islander communities. It fosters cultural awareness, encourages unity, and celebrates the richness of diversity within our society.