

## Useful vocabulary – Religious celebrations and festivals

### Religious celebrations

| Spanish               | English                               |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Navidad               | Christmas                             |
| Nochebuena            | Christmas Eve                         |
| el Día de Reyes       | Epiphany, 6 January                   |
| Reyes Magos           | the Three Kings, the Three Wise Men   |
| Semana Santa          | Easter Week (Holy Week)               |
| Pascua                | Easter                                |
| Eid                   | Eid                                   |
| Janucá                | Hanukkah                              |
| El Festival de la Luz | Diwali / The Festival of Light        |
| Día de Muertos        | Day of the Dead (Mexican celebration) |

### Faith groups

| Spanish                    | English   |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| budista                    | Buddhist  |
| cristiano/a                | Christian |
| católico/a                 | Catholic  |
| judío/a                    | Jewish    |
| musulmán/ <u>musulmana</u> | Muslim    |
| religioso/a                | religious |
| sij                        | Sikh      |

### Useful adjectives

|           |          |
|-----------|----------|
| cultural  | cultural |
| especial  | special  |
| nacional  | national |
| animado/a | lively   |

### Useful nouns– Religious terms

| Spanish                    | English                                                                                                                 |
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| el santo                   | saint, saint's day                                                                                                      |
| la iglesia                 | church                                                                                                                  |
| la mezquita                | mosque                                                                                                                  |
| la sinagoga                | synagogue                                                                                                               |
| el templo                  | temple                                                                                                                  |
| la costumbre               | custom, habit, tradition                                                                                                |
| bailar                     | to dance                                                                                                                |
| celebrar                   | to celebrate                                                                                                            |
| cantar                     | to sing                                                                                                                 |
| el desfile                 | procession, parade                                                                                                      |
| el disfraz (los disfraces) | costume(s), fancy dress                                                                                                 |
| divertir; divertirse       | to amuse, to entertain, amusing, entertaining; to enjoy oneself, have a good time, enjoying oneself, having a good time |
| el espectáculo             | show, spectacle                                                                                                         |
| la fiesta                  | party, festival                                                                                                         |

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|--------------|-----------|
| la tradición | tradition |
| el regalo    | present   |