Japan: O-Bon Festival

Post-visit Activity: Graphic Organizer Assessment

Name: ____________________________________  Date:___________

A descriptive organizer is used to describe an event, topic, people or theme. Fill in the organizer below with symbols, pictures or facts learned about the O-bon Festival to explain the importance of this celebration in Japan.
Japan: O-Bon Festival

Post-visit Activity: Graphic Organizer Assessment KEY

A descriptive organizer is used to describe an event, topic, people or theme. Add symbols, pictures or facts learned about the O-bon Festival that would help your classmates understand the importance of this celebration in Japan.

**O-Bon**

**Who**
- families

**What**
- old Buddhist memorial festival
- family reunions to pay respects to ancestors

**Where**
- travel back to hometowns

**Why**
- to honor and respect ancestors according to old Buddhist beliefs

**When**
- 7th month of the lunar calendar - August

**How**
- welcoming fire in home entrance
- visit and clean graves
- offer fruits, vegetables, rice & flowers at family altars
- festival held at temple or town center
- music and dance called Bon-Odori
- send off fire or lantern sent down river to ocean