



# The Ok Om Bok Festival

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It is a special day in the Khmer neighborhood of Nhay. Every house is decorated with flowers and ribbons for the Ok Om Bok festival. Ceremonial feasts are prepared, candles are lit, green rice is being pounded in mortars, children are playing games, and smiles are worn by all.



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Kim Hải has several years of experience writing for children and teenagers. Her stories have received high critical acclaim and have entertained many young readers over the years.



Illustrator: **Hoang Long Le**

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