

## Chinese Traditional Festival: Mid-Autumn Festival 中国的传统节日:中秋节

## **Transcripts**

Nóng lì de bā yuè shí wǔ shì Zhōng qiū jié. 农 历的八月 十 五是 中 秋 节。 August 15th of the lunar calendar is the Mid-Autumn Festival.

Yīn wèi zhè yì tiān de yuè liang shì yì nián zhōng zuì yuán de, 因为这一天的月亮是一年中最圆的, Because the moon on this day is the roundest in a year,

dài biǎo zhe wán zhěng hé tuán yuán, 代 表 着 完 整 和 团 圆, representing the integrity and reunion,

suǒ yǐ Zhōng qiū jié yě jiào "tuán yuán jié". 所以中秋节也叫"团圆节"。 so the Mid-Autumn Festival is also called "reunion festival".

Duì yú Zhōng guó rén lái shuō, 对 于 中 国 人 来 说, For Chinese,

Zhōng qiū jié shì chú le Chūn jié yǐ wài zuì zhòng yào de jié rì. 中 秋节是除了春节以外最重要的节日。 Mid-Autumn Festival is the most important festival except Spring Festival.

Zhōng qiū jié zhè tiān, 中 秋节这天, On Mid-Autumn day,



Zhōng guó rén yì bān huì shǎng yuè, chī yuè bǐng.

中国人一般会赏月、吃月饼。

Chinese people usually appreciate the moon and eat moon cakes.

Chuán shuō,

传 说,

According to legend,

yuè liang shang zhù zhe yí ge měi lì de nǚ rén hé yì zhī tù zi. 月 亮 上 住 着 一个美 丽的女人 和一只兔子。 a beautiful woman and a rabbit live on the moon.

zhè ge nǚ rén jiào Cháng'é. 这个女人 叫 嫦娥。 This woman is called Chang'e.

Zhōng qiū jié shì yuè liang zuì liàng de shí hou, 中 秋节是月亮最亮的时候, The Mid-Autumn Festival is the time when the moon is the brightest,

chuán shuō zài zhè yì tiān, 传 说 在 这 一 天, as legend said that on this day,

rén men kě yǐ kàn jiàn Cháng'é zài yuè liang shang tiào wǔ. 人 们 可以看 见 嫦 娥 在 月 亮 上 跳 舞。 people can see Chang'e dancing on the moon.

Yuè bǐng shì yì zhǒng chī de, 月 饼 是 一 种 吃 的, Moon cakes are a kind of food,

yì bān zhǐ zài Zhōng qiū jié de shí hou chī. 一般只在中秋节的时候吃。 it's usually eaten only during the Mid-Autumn Festival.

Yǐ qián de yuè bǐng dōu shì yuán de, 以 前 的 月 饼 都 是 圆 的,



The previous moon cakes were all round,

dài biǎo tuán yuán. 代 表 团 圆。 representing the reunion.

Dàn shì, 但 是, However,

xiàn zài de yuè bǐng yàng zi hěn duō, 现 在的月饼样子很多, moon cakes have many shapes now,

chú le yuán de, 除 了 圆 的, besides round ones,

hái yǒu fāng de. 还 有 方 的。 there are also square ones.

Wèi dao yě bǐ yǐ qián duō le hěn duō. 味 道 也比以 前 多 了很 多。 Taste is also much more than before.

Chú le tián de, xián de, 除了甜的、咸的, In addition to sweet and salty,

hái yǒu là de hé gè zhǒng shuǐ guǒ wèi de děng děng. 还有辣的和各种水果味的等等。 there are also spicy and various fruit flavors and so on.