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Greeting from the Unique City of San Ming, China,

Okay this I how you say the first month in English. J-a-n---a-r-y

Welcome to the first English lesson in 2009 and welcome to a brand New Year the year 20-0-nine. (Do not forget to pronounce "n" as "n" and not as "m")

The Arrival of 2009

2009 came in with a bang, some yelling, and a 10 second countdown. It also come in with 89 children doing even possible they could do to stay awake. On a volunteer basis we let the children and house parents stay awake and watch the New Year's arrival. Several of the little children did not quite make it the whole night and fell asleep before the stroke of midnight. One of the first grade twins promised he was not tired and would stay awake until 12:00. At 11:00 this same boy came to me and within two minutes fell asleep on my lap. The children are so adorable when they are sleeping, but to bad it is not always the same when they are awake.

Make Dumplings

The second day of the New Year all the children helped with a Chinese New Year's tradition. We made dumplings. Please the photos!