

Bonfire Night: My Historical Fact-File

Learning objective: To understand the historical origins and traditions of Bonfire Night in the UK.

Use this fact-file to record what you have learned about the history of 5th November. Use the word bank to help you write clear, accurate sentences. Remember to think about why we remember this night every year.

Word bank: Guy Fawkes · Parliament · Gunpowder Plot · King James I · 1605 · tradition · celebration · safety

1. The History: Who was involved in the Gunpowder Plot of 1605 and what was their main goal? (3 marks)

2. The Significance: Why did people light bonfires on 5th November after the plot was discovered? (2 marks)

3. The Tradition: How do people in the UK celebrate Bonfire Night today? List two common activities. (2 marks)

4. Safety First: Nova the owl wants to stay safe! List three important rules to follow when around fireworks or bonfires. (3 marks)

5. Reflection: Max the monkey thinks history is a puzzle. Why is it important for us to learn about events like the Gunpowder Plot? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a 'penny for the Guy' tradition from the past. Write a short paragraph explaining how this tradition has changed over time.