

Bonfire Night Illustration Challenge

Learning objective: To understand the traditions and significance of Bonfire Night in the UK and represent them through descriptive artistic expression.

Follow the steps below to create a detailed scene of a traditional community Bonfire Night. Use your imagination to capture the warmth, light, and colours of the evening.

Draw: Create a landscape-style drawing of a Bonfire Night scene. Include a large, crackling bonfire in the middle with swirling sparks floating upwards into a dark, starry night sky. Draw Nova the owl sitting on a tree branch in the corner, observing the scene. Use a 'silhouette' style for the trees and any buildings in the background to make the fire look brighter. Add colourful streaks in the sky to represent fireworks.



Label words: bonfire · sparks · glow · embers · reflection · night sky · silhouette · tradition

Steps:

1. Step 1: Draw a large bonfire in the centre of your page. Why is it important to draw the flames using bright colours like yellow, orange, and red?
2. Step 2: Draw Nova the owl perched on a nearby branch watching the festivities. What does Nova's position tell us about her perspective on the event?
3. Step 3: Label three items in your drawing using words from the word bank.

4. Step 4: Describe why Bonfire Night is an important historical tradition in the UK.
5. Step 5: If you were adding a person to this scene, what kind of warm clothing would they need to wear for a chilly November evening?