

Bonfire Night: A Sparkly Celebration

Learning objective: To demonstrate understanding of non-fiction information and descriptive writing techniques through the theme of Bonfire Night.

Read the text carefully and answer the questions below. Use your best handwriting and check your spelling.

On the 5th of November, many people in the UK celebrate Bonfire Night. It is a tradition that started a long time ago in 1605. People gather together to watch big bonfires and colourful fireworks light up the night sky. Children often hold sparklers, which create bright trails of light in the air. Some families eat toffee apples or warm jacket potatoes while they listen to the loud bangs and whistles of the rockets. It is a time for staying warm, being with friends, and remembering history.

Word bank: Guy Fawkes · fireworks · sparklers · bonfire · celebration · November · history · whizz · pop · bright

1. On what date does Bonfire Night take place every year? (1 mark)

2. Name two types of food mentioned in the text that people might eat at a bonfire celebration. (2 marks)

3. Why do you think people stand near the bonfire on a cold November night? (2 marks)

4. Look at the passage. Find and copy one adjective that describes the fireworks. (1 mark)

5. Max the monkey wants to write a poem about Bonfire Night. Use your own words to describe what a firework looks and sounds like in the sky. Use at least two adjectives. (4 marks)

6. Explain why Bonfire Night is an important tradition. Use information from the text to help you. (4 marks)

7. Imagine you are watching a firework display with Pip the caterpillar. Write a short story (5-6 sentences) about the evening. Describe the colours you see, the sounds you hear, and how you feel. (11 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a night sky filled with fireworks and a bright bonfire below. Label your drawing using at least three words from the word bank.



Extension challenge: Total: /25