

A Sparkly Night with Leo the Lion

Learning objective: To demonstrate understanding of Bonfire Night traditions, use descriptive vocabulary, and write a short recount.

Read the story below carefully. Answer the questions in full sentences where possible. Remember to use your best handwriting and check your spelling.

It was a cold, dark evening in November. Leo the Lion invited his friends to the park to celebrate Bonfire Night. They wrapped up in warm coats, woolly hats, and scarves. In the middle of the field, there was a big bonfire. It crackled and popped as the orange flames reached towards the stars. Suddenly, a bright firework zoomed into the sky. It went 'whizz' and 'pop', turning into red and green sparks. Everyone cheered. They held their sparklers carefully, waving them in the air to make glowing patterns. It was a very noisy, colourful, and happy night.

Word bank: firework · sparkler · bright · loud · colourful · bonfire · smoke · glow · night · whizz

1. What is the name of the main character in the story? (1 mark)

2. Why did Leo and his friends need to wear warm coats, hats, and scarves? (2 marks)

3. Find two adjectives in the text used to describe the bonfire or the fireworks. (2 marks)

4. What sound did the firework make when it zoomed into the sky? (2 marks)

5. What did the friends do with their sparklers? (3 marks)

6. If a sparkler costs £2 and a hot chocolate costs £3, how much would they cost altogether? (2 marks)

7. Imagine you went to the bonfire with Leo. Write 3-4 sentences to describe what you saw and heard. Use your best phonics and remember your capital letters and full stops. (8 marks)

8. Why is it important to stay a safe distance away from a bonfire? (5 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of the colourful fireworks in the night sky above the bonfire.



Extension challenge: Total: /25