

Bonfire Night: A Special Celebration

Learning objective: To understand the historical and community significance of Bonfire Night in the UK.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank if you need help with spelling. Write your answers on the lines provided.

On the 5th of November, many people in the UK mark Bonfire Night. This day is based on a real event from history called the Gunpowder Plot. In 1605, a man named Guy Fawkes tried to change the government by causing an explosion at the Houses of Parliament. He did not succeed. Today, people celebrate that the plan failed. We light big fires and watch colourful fireworks in the sky.

Word bank: Guy Fawkes · Parliament · history · safety · fireworks · tradition · celebrate

1. 1. What is the date that we celebrate Bonfire Night each year? (1 mark)

2. 2. Who was the man involved in the Gunpowder Plot of 1605? (1 mark)

3. 3. Why do people in the UK celebrate this night? Use the word bank to help you. (3 marks)

4. 4. List two things people often do to celebrate Bonfire Night today. (2 marks)

5. 5. Why is it important to follow safety rules during Bonfire Night? (3 marks)

6. 6. Imagine you are watching the fireworks with Max the monkey. Write a short story or description about the sights and sounds you see. Use at least 4 sentences. (5 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a firework display in the sky above a bonfire. Label your drawing with one safety rule.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Research: Find out one safety rule for using sparklers and write it down for your teacher.