

Max and Nova's Bonfire Night Quiz

Learning objective: To test reading comprehension and vocabulary related to the traditions and history of Bonfire Night.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions below. Max the monkey and Nova the owl are here to help you solve these puzzles!

Answer Key: 1.C, 2.True, 3.A, 4.False, 5.B, 6.Firework, 7.A, 8.True, 9.Parliament, 10.B. Note to teachers: This quiz covers the historical context of 1605 and modern safety considerations for November 5th.

Word bank: Guy Fawkes · fireworks · sparklers · tradition · celebration · gunpowder · Parliament · history

1. 1. What is the name of the event celebrated on the 5th of November? A) Halloween B) Christmas C) Bonfire Night* D) Easter (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Bonfire Night is a British tradition that happens every year. (True/False) (1 mark)

3. 3. What do people often eat on Bonfire Night? A) Toffee apples* B) Pancakes C) Roast turkey D) Ice cream (1 mark)

4. 4. True or False: It is safe to run around while holding a lit sparkler. (True/False) (1 mark)

5. 5. Which word describes the bright explosions of colour in the night sky? A) Lanterns B) Fireworks* C) Torches D) Candles (1 mark)

6. 6. Fill in the blank: Guy Fawkes was involved in a plot to blow up the Houses of _____ . (1 mark)

7. 7. How should you dress for a chilly November evening? A) Warm coat, hat, and gloves* B) A light summer t-shirt C) Swimming costume D) A thin raincoat (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: We remember the 5th of November because of events that happened in 1605. (True/False) (1 mark)

9. 9. What is the main reason we light bonfires today? A) To cook toast B) To keep us awake C) As part of the tradition/celebration* D) To see in the dark (1 mark)

10. 10. Which safety item should you wear on your hands when holding a sparkler? A) Woollen mittens B) Safety gloves* C) Nothing D) Plastic bags (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Nova the owl watching fireworks light up the night sky above a warm, glowing bonfire.



Extension challenge: Max the monkey wants to know: If a bag of sparklers costs £2.50 and a bag of toffee apples costs £3.00, how much would you spend in total if you bought one of each? Show your working out!