

A Night of Sparkles: Writing about Bonfire Night

Learning objective: To write a descriptive recount of a Bonfire Night celebration using sensory language and time connectives.

Use the prompts below to help you structure your writing. Try to include words from the word bank to make your description more exciting for the reader.

As the cold November air nipped at my nose, the night sky began to transform into a canvas of light.

Word bank: suddenly · crackling · dazzling · meanwhile · whizzing · shimmering · afterwards · vibrant · echoed · glowing

1. Setting the Scene: Describe where you were and who you were with. Start with: The chilly evening air felt... (2 marks)

2. The Bonfire: Describe the sights and sounds of the fire. Start with: In the centre of the field, the bonfire crackled as... (2 marks)

3. The Fireworks: Describe the colours and shapes in the sky. Start with: High above us, the fireworks exploded like... (2 marks)

4. The Treats: Mention the food or drink you enjoyed. Start with: To warm ourselves up, we enjoyed... (2 marks)

5. The Conclusion: How did you feel as the night came to an end? Start with: As we walked home, I felt... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Challenge: Max the monkey is trying to calculate how much the sparklers cost. If one pack of sparklers costs £3.50 and a box of toffee apples costs £4.25, how much would they cost altogether? Write a sentence explaining your answer.