

Bonfire Night

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| Gunpowder: 火藥 | Barrel: 樽 | Houses of Parliament: 議事堂 |
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On November 5th, people in the UK celebrate Bonfire Night by lighting fireworks, bonfires and sparklers. They do this because it's the anniversary of a historical event.

On November 5th 1605, a man named Guy Fawkes tried to kill the king. He wanted to kill the king because of religion, so he put barrels of gunpowder under the Houses of Parliament. However, somebody told the king about the plan, so it didn't work. Guy Fawkes was killed for betraying the king. The king was happy to be safe, so he told everyone to have bonfires every year on November 5th.

Bonfire Night is a fun tradition with a happy feeling. In Britain, there are firework shows and bonfires. Since it's usually cold in November, people wear hats, scarves and gloves to stay warm outside on Bonfire Night. People also eat hot dogs, burgers, toffee apples and baked potatoes.

Interview Questions (Day of the Dead)

1) When and where is the Day of the Dead celebrated?

2) What does the festival celebrate?

3) Is the festival a sad, serious event?

4) How do people celebrate Day of the Dead?

Day of the Dead (Día de Los Muertos)

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| Spirit: 靈 | Altar: 祭壇 | Ancestors: 先祖 |
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The Day of the Dead is celebrated on 2nd November in Mexico, Latin America, and parts of the USA. It is a time when families gather together to celebrate life and show love and respect for family members who have died. The festival is a cheerful celebration with colourful parades, parties, food, drink and dancing. Many people wear costumes and paint their faces to look like skulls!

The festival started long ago with the Aztec people. They believed that during Día de los Muertos, spirits returned to Earth. Some people build private altars to welcome spirits back to Earth. Others go to the cemetery and place food, drink and flowers on their family's graves. Mexicans hope that these gifts will make their ancestors happy. People also decorate skulls made of sugar. These skulls have big smiles and are very colourful.

Interview Questions (Bonfire Night)

1) When and where is Bonfire Night celebrated?

2) What did Guy Fawkes try to do?

3) How do people celebrate Bonfire Night?

4) What do people wear on Bonfire Night?

5) What do people eat on Bonfire Night?
