

History of Bonfire Night

Name _____ Date _____



On November 5th, people celebrate Bonfire Night. People have fireworks in their gardens and go to public displays.

Bonfire Night is the anniversary of the day a man named Guy Fawkes attempted to blow up the Houses of

Parliament in London, using gunpowder.

Guy Fawkes, and a group of other men, put 36 barrels of gunpowder underneath the Houses of Parliament. They wanted to set off a huge explosion and kill King James I.

The plot failed because the King found a letter sent by one of Guy Fawkes' men to a friend who worked in the Houses of Parliament. The letter warned the friend to stay away on November 5th.

Guy Fawkes was taken to the Tower of London. He was tortured so that he would give up the names of the other men involved. Guy Fawkes was found guilty of treason and he was killed.

King James I ordered everybody to have a great bonfire on November 5th to celebrate his survival. People have carried on doing that ever since.

Questions

1. How many barrels of gunpowder were put in the Houses of Parliament?
2. Who were they trying to kill?
3. What happened to Guy Fawkes after he was caught?
4. What did King James I order people to do to celebrate his survival?
5. What do people nowadays do to celebrate Bonfire Night?

Planning a Firework Display

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You are arranging a firework display.
You have £300 to spend on fireworks.
Choose which fireworks you want to buy for your display and complete the table.

	
<p>Rockets - £20 per pack</p>	<p>Sparklers - £5 per pack</p>
	
<p>Roman Candles - £15 per pack</p>	<p>Catherine Wheel - £5 each</p>
	
<p>Large rockets - £25 per pack</p>	<p>Large fountains - £35 per pack</p>
	
<p>Mega Pack of fireworks - £100</p>	<p>Cone Fountains - £10 per pack</p>

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Order Form:

Name	Quantity	Price Each	Total Cost

Total amount spent: £ _____

Amount left over: £ _____

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Create a poster advertising your firework display.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for students to create a poster advertising their firework display.