Why do we celebrate Bonfire Night?

What I should know already...

- London is the capital city of England
- In the UK we hold bonfire night celebrations every year in November

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Key	Definition
Vocabulary	
Catholics	Members of the Catholic church. They are Christians and the Head of the Church is in Rome.
Protestant	Members of the Protestant church. They are Christians and the Head of the Church is the English King or Queen.
Gunpowder	A chemical that explodes if set light to inside a container.
Houses of	Buildings in London where the government meets.
Parliament	
Monarch	A King or Queen
Government	A group of people that work in Parliament to set the laws of a country.
Plot	A secret plan to do something against the law or harmful to other people.
Treason	The act of plotting or committing a crime against your nation's ruler or monarch.
Laws	Rules to help run the country.
Capital city	Where the government gathers to set the laws of a country.
Executed	To kill someone as a punishment for a serious crime.



Key figures and what they did



Guy Fawkes

A gunpowder expert who was found in the cellars of the Houses of Parliament with gunpowder and matches. He was arrested for treason.

King of England at the



time.

King James I

Leader of the group who were plotting to blow up the Houses of Parliament to kill the King.



Robert Catesby



Thomas Percy

It was his house they began digging a tunnel from. He rented the cellar below the Houses of Parliament. He was working as a bodyguard for the King.



Lord Monteagle

Received an anonymous letter warning him not to go to Parliament on the 5th of November.