

November 5th is Guy Fawkes Day in Britain. All over the country people build wood fires, or „bonfires“, in their gardens. On top of each bonfire is a guy.

That's a figure of Guy Fawkes. People make guys with straw, old clothes and newspaper. But before November 5th, children use their guys to make money. They stand in the street and shout „Penny for the guy“. Then they spend the money on fireworks.



How did this tradition start? Who was Guy Fawkes and why do the British remember him on November 5th.

On November 5th 1605, Guy Fawkes tried to kill the King James I. He and a group of friends put a bomb under the Houses of Parliament in London. But the King's men found the bomb – and they found Guy Fawkes, too. They took him to the Tower of London and there the King's men cut off his head.



wood:	bois
straw:	paille
clothes:	vêtements
shout:	crier
spend:	dépenser de l'argent
fireworks:	feux d'artifices

A **bonfire** is a large fire made outdoors to celebrate some event (or just to burn dead leaves, rubbish, etc.)

Translate:

1. ... Il y a un feu dans le jardin.
2. ... Te souviens-tu du 5 novembre?
3. ... Dépenses-tu de l'argent pour les feux d'artifice?
4. ... Pourquoi se rappellent-ils de Guy Fawkes?
5. ... Pourquoi a-t-il essayé de tuer le roi?
6. ... Quand trouvèrent-ils la bombe?
7. ... Ils trouvèrent aussi Guy Fawkes.
8. ... Comment débuta cette tradition?
9. ... Ils fabriquaient les personnages avec de la paille et de vieux habits.
10. ... Ils l'utilisaient pour gagner de l'argent.