

New Year's Eve Celebration in Ecuador

Ecuador celebrates New Year's Eve as a unique ritual where elaborate **effigies** filled with **gunpowder** and fireworks representing bad vibes from the departing year are displayed throughout cities and towns before being burned at midnight with fireworks and music.



New Year's Eve traditions



Vocabulary

effigies. dolls made of paper, cloth, and other materials that resemble people from real life

gunpowder. the fine material used in guns to produce an explosion



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WRITE SOMETHING THAT CAUGHT YOUR ATTENTION FROM THE VIDEO.

1. Describe the pictures above. What do you see?

2. Do you celebrate New Year's Eve?

3. How do you celebrate New Year's Eve in your hometown? Make a list of all the activities you do from you wake up until you go to bed.
