



# 25TH MAY

## ¡Viva la patria! ¡Viva!

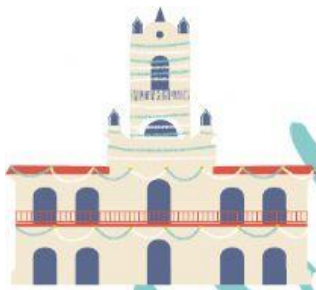


**Read the following text.**

**The May Revolution happened from May 18 to 25, 1810, in Buenos Aires. Buenos Aires was the capital of the Viceroyalty of the Río de la Plata. It was a Spanish colony that included the territories of present-day Argentina, Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay. The result was the removal of Viceroy Baltasar Hidalgo de Cisneros and the formation of a local government now called the "Primera Junta".**

**The Primera Junta or First Assembly is the most common name given to the first independent government of Argentina. It was created on 25 May 1810, as a result of the events of the May Revolution. The Junta initially had representatives from only Buenos Aires.**

**The Open cabildo of 22 May decided to replace the viceroy with a Junta. The politically active inhabitants of Buenos Aires saw this was the best moment to establish a local government. Local politicians who wanted a change towards self-government and free commerce, argued that the King being imprisoned, sovereignty had returned to the people.**



Choose the most relevant option.

1. The May Revolution took place between

- a) 18th and 22nd May 1816    b) 18th and 25th May 1810    c. May 22nd and 25th May 1810

2. Viceroyalty of the Río de la Plata was a Spanish colony that included ...

- a) 4 present-day countries    b) all South American territory    c) all the Argentinian territory

3. People wanted ....

- a) free commerce and self-government    b) independence    c) to share decisions with the Spanish

4. They gathered at Cabildo Abierto in order to....

- a) imprison the Spanish King    b) form a local government    c) declare war against the Spanish

5. They decided to gather and make decisions because...

- a) the king of Spain was imprisoned    b) they were tired    c) they were angry

6. The Junta Grande or Grand Council included...

- a) all representatives of all the colonies    b) representatives of Buenos Aires    c) representatives of all the provinces

