

Read the texts below. Match choices (A—H) to (1—6). There are two choices you don't need to use.

Top 6 Crazy Festivals



1. _____ **Holi, The festival of colors, India**

Holi is known as the festival of colors. It is regarded as one of most important and vibrant festivals in India. This festival commemorates the victory of good over evil. Holi also marks the arrival of Spring, a season of hope and enjoyment. The tradition of colors in the Holi festival are linked with stories of God Krishna, who played pranks on his beloved Radha by drenching her in colors and water. The celebrations of Holi start with burning of Holika, representing the death of evil. Everyone loves drenching others with colored water and dry powder at the time of Holi. Colored water filled balloons and waters guns are also used by the people for 'water fights' during Holi. People also visit houses of their friends and relatives and share sweets and other food.



2. _____ **La Tomatina, Bunol, Spain**

La Tomatina festival is held on the last Wednesday of every August in Bunol town, in Spain. During this event, participants around the world throw tomatoes at one another. For the safety of participants, city council follows number of rules for La Tomatina festivals such as participants of this festival are recommended to wear goggles to keep their eyes safe and they demand to throw only squashed tomatoes at others to avoid injuries. Every year one hundred metric tons of tomatoes are thrown during La Tomatina festival in the streets of Bunol. The week long La Tomatina festival also features music, dance, parades and fireworks.



3. _____ **Carnival Of Venice, Italy**

The Carnival of Venice is one the biggest festivals in Italy. In Italian this festival is known as Carnevale di Venezia , also called as Carnevale. This event is much known for its elaborate masks. Masking is a carnival tradition and main feature in the event. Today Carnevale is one of huge celebrations in Venice, a two week long grand event. People put on masks at the vent and fling perfumed eggs at other people. Carnevale also presents several distinct styles of masks. The Venetian mask makers also have a special position in the community. Carnival of Venice also include concerts, different types of street performances and a candle-lit boat parade.



4. _____ **Rio Carnival, Rio de Janeiro**

Rio Carnival is considered as the biggest carnival in the world, a five day long celebration held on 40 days before Easter every year. Rio carnival officially starts on Friday and ends on Fat Tuesday, a day before the start of Lent. There are around 2 million people on the street of Rio de Janeiro during this carnival. Rio carnival also sums up the true culture of Brazil. People can sing, dance and have lots of fun during Rio carnival. Samba parades are one of most important events of Rio carnival, features more than 200 Samba schools. The participants of Samba parades have to pick up a specific theme, music, lyrics and costumes.



5. _____ **Tunarama Festival, Port Lincoln, Australia**

The Tunarama Festival is held annually in Port Lincoln, South Australia over the Australia Day long weekend every January. Featuring a wide array of participation events, arts and cultural displays, local market stalls, plus some of the freshest seafood in the world, there truly is something for everybody to enjoy, so bring your close ones.

The Tunarama Festival has been celebrating Port Lincoln's tuna industry since 1962. Held in January over the Australia Day weekend, the festival includes the famed Tuna Toss where competitors show their strength by tossing an 8-10 kilogram fish as far as they can. Plastic model fish are used until the final round when the remaining competitors get their hands on real fish.



6. _____ **Haro Wine Festival, La Rioja, Spain**

Are you a person who generally keeps your wine in its glass and doesn't like the thought of getting it everywhere all over everything? Then the Haro Wine Festival in Haro, Spain, is probably not for you. Every year on June 29, people gather in white shirts and red scarves, towing with them gallons of wine in every container imaginable. It's actually the celebration of their patron saint, San Pedro, so it begins with a procession and a mass before turning into a massive free-for-all with everyone throwing wine all over each other. You might wear a white shirt there, but you won't be wearing one on the way back.

Which festival:

- A. ...is for those who want to spill alcoholic beverage?
- B. ...is for those who is looking for a family-friendly festival?
- C. ...should be attended only if you wear protective glasses?
- D. ...has its roots in one of the religions?
- E. ...do you go to if you want to have your face covered?
- F. ... should you attend if you don't want to have anything thrown at you ?
- G. ... is the most popular in the world and lasts for 40 days?
- H. ... doesn't happen every year?

