PASSAGE 33

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The La Tomatina is a festival held on a Wednesday towards the end of August in the town of Bunol in the Valencia region in Spain. The weeklong festival includes music, parades, dancing, and fireworks. About 30,000 people come to the tomato fight, while Bunol's population is only 9,000. There are not many accommodations for people who come to La Tomatina, so many participants stay in Valencia and travel by bus or train to Bunol, about 38km outside the city.

Many trucks transport tomatoes into the center of the town, Plaza del Pueblo. The tomatoes come from Extremadura, where **they** are less expensive. The signal for the beginning of the fight is firing of the cannon, and the chaos begins. Once it begins, the battle is generally **every man for himself**. People who partake in this event are strongly encouraged to wear protective safety goggles and gloves. In addition, they must squash the tomatoes before throwing for safety precautions. Another rule is that no one is allowed to bring into this fight anything that may lead to a more serious fight, such as a glass bottle. People must also stay away from trucks and must not tear someone else's clothing. Somewhere between an hour and two hours, the fighting ends and the cannon is fired once more to signal the end. At this point no more tomatoes can be thrown. The cleaning process involves the use of fire trucks to spray down the streets, with water provided from a Roman waterway. People find water to wash themselves, most likely at the Bunol River.

Question 1: What is the best title of the passage?

A. The Ultimate Tomato Throwing Festival

B. The History of Tomatoes in Spain

C. Traditional Festivals in Valencia

D. The Best Places to Visit in Bunol

Question 2: According to paragraph 2, why do people stay in Valencia?

A. Because they can take a bus or train to Spain

B. Because there are not enough hotels in Bunol

C. Because there is a weeklong festival in Spain

D. Because the want to live 38 km from Bunol

Question 3: What does the phrase **"every man for himself** in the second paragraph mean?

A. Everyone works together as a team.

B. Each person plays independently.

C. There is a strict set of rules everyone must follow.

D. People take turns participating in the event.

Question 4: What does the word **"they"** in the second paragraph refer to?

A. trucks B. tomatoes C. chaos D. people

Question 5: According to paragraph 2, what are NOT used in the tomato fight?

A. Bottles B. Gloves C. Goggles D. Tomatoes

Question 6: According to the passage, which of the following statements is TRUE?

A. La Tomatina is celebrated in the town of Valencia, Spain.

B. You cannot throw unsqueezed tomatoes at others.

C. The festival lasts for an entire month.

D. All participants must bring their own tomatoes to the event.

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