

CHAPTER 3 - ACTIVITIES

COMPREHENSION CHECK

1 Answer the following questions.

1. Why does Patge Faruk carry two books?
2. Els Tres Tombs is a historic festival. How old is it?
3. What is traditionally done on St. George's Day?
4. What is the main element of St. John's Day and in which activities is it present?
5. Which festival is one of the oldest in the city and in Catalonia?

2 Which festivity do the sentences refer to? Tick () the correct column(s).

	Els Reis	Tres Tombs	Carnival	Sant Jordi	Sant Joan	Festa Major
It is celebrated in summer						
There are parades						
There are <i>correfocs</i>						
There are activities in the morning						
It lasts more than one day						

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VOCABULARY

3 Match the words with the definitions.

Vocabulary	Answer	Definition
1. Deliver (v)	1 -	A. an organization of people who do the same job or who have the same interests or aims
2. Parade (n)	2 -	B. a prayer asking for help and protection
3. Guild (n)	3 -	C. a table or small shop with an open front that people sell things from, especially at a market
4. Muleteer (n)	4 -	D. the best or most exciting, entertaining, or interesting part of something
5. Blessing (n)	5 -	E. a public celebration of a special day or event, usually with bands in the streets and decorated vehicles
6. Highlight (n)	6 -	F. a large outdoor fire for burning waste or as part of a celebration
7. Float (n)	7 -	G. to take goods, letters, etc. to the person or people they have been sent to
8. Stall (n)	8 -	H. a person who controls mules and makes them go in the right direction
9. Bonfire (n)	9 -	I. a large vehicle with a flat surface that is decorated and used in festivals
10. Sparkling (adj)	10 -	J. containing bubbles of gas

GRAMMAR

4. Complete the sentences using the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in the brackets.

1. La *Cavalcada del Reis* of Igualada is _____ (exciting) festival for children.
2. *Patge Faruk* is _____ (important) of all the *patges*.
3. The 5th of January is _____ (magical) night of the year.
4. Saint John's Eve marks the summer solstice which is _____ (long) day of the year.

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5. The *Festa Major* of Igualada is one of _____ (old) town festivals in Catalonia.
6. Saint John's Eve is _____ (noisy) Saint George's Day..
7. Carnival is _____ (fun) els Tres Tombs.
8. The Festa Major is _____ (long) Saint John's Eve.

WRITING – TRADITIONAL CELEBRATIONS

5 Write a short paragraph about your favourite traditional celebration. You can use the questions below to help you.

1. Which of the traditional celebrations mentioned in the chapter is your favourite one? Why?
2. How do you celebrate it?
3. Who do you celebrate it with?

