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A WORLD OF CELEBRATION

VOCABULARY

Festivals

1 ★ Look at the photos and **circle** the correct options.

2 ★★ Complete the article with the correct form of the words from Exercise 1.



6 a decoration / float



3 a funfair / parade



4 a parade / float



5 a lantern / firework



7 a programme / funfair



8 a parade / programme



9 a firework / lantern

One of the biggest festivals in Japan is the Gion Festival in Narita, a small town near Tokyo. It's a celebration of the summer. There are colourful ¹ decorations all over the town and people dress up in traditional Japanese ² _____. Visitors can enjoy food and drink at the many ³ _____ in Narita's narrow streets. The best part of the festival is when decorated ⁴ _____ with people on them are pulled through the streets to Narita's main temple. The streets of Narita are beautiful at night when they are lit up by ⁵ _____ on the sides of the buildings.



New Year's Eve is always special in Sydney, Australia. You can see a beautiful display of ⁶ _____ in the night sky, with thousands exploding over the Sydney Opera House. There are lots of things to do during the day, too. Children can enjoy fantastic rides at the ⁷ _____, like a 40-metre big wheel or a super-fast train. In the evening, people love the ⁸ _____ of boats, travelling up and down the harbour with special lights on them!

3 ★★ **Circle** the correct options.

- 1 There was already a crowd / an atmosphere of 50,000 people at ten o'clock!
- 2 The biggest carnival / ceremony in the world is in Rio, Brazil.
- 3 Great music and lots of people usually make a good programme / atmosphere.
- 4 A funfair / ceremony is usually a formal event with a long history.

4 ★★ **Underline** the stressed syllable in each word.

Two syllables	Three syllables	Four syllables
<u>costume</u>	atmosphere	ceremony
firework	carnival	decoration
funfair		
parade		

Explore it!



Guess the correct answer.

The famous Japanese _____ ceremony began around 700 years ago.

- a tea b coffee c milk

Find an interesting fact about an ancient ceremony. Then send the question in an email to a classmate or ask them in the next class.

