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GAWAI DAYAK FESTIVAL

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Gawai Dayak is a festival celebrated in Sarawak on the 1st and 2nd June every year. The Gawai Dayak is celebrated by the Dayaks. During this festival, a traditional dance called the *Ngajat* is performed.

While performing the dance, the male dancers wear a headgear called *burang sumba*. It is made of cloth with golden lace. They wear a long loin-cloth called *tahup*. It is wrapped neatly around the body with one end hanging down in front and the other end hanging behind. They wear bangles and a pair of earrings. They hold a long sword in one hand and an ornately decorated shield in the other.

The female dancers wear an elaborate headdress called *sipiah* and a knee length dress with intricate weaving. It is called *jomuh*. Their necklaces are made of beads. Copper bangles called sarim are worn on the legs from the knee downward. They wear copper bangles on their arms and forearms as well. Copper belts called *porik* are also worn by the women.

In conclusion, if you have never seen a *Ngajat* dance, visit Sarawak during Gawai Dayak to experience its uniqueness.





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Read the statements and write **True** or **False.**

1.	Gawai Dayak is an annual festival celebrated by the Dayak people in Sarawak, Malaysia.	
2.	The male dancers wear headdress called *sipiah* and *burang sumba*.	
3.	Men and women may wear *Ngajat*, the traditional costume, especially when guests are arriving.	
4.	The copper bangles and copper belts are worn by the women.	
5.	*Tahup* is a long loin-cloth which is made of beads.	
6.	The male dancers hold a long sword and a shield while performing the dance.	
7.	The female dancers wear *sarim* on the legs from the knee downward.	
8.	People who visit Sarawak can experience the uniqueness of *Ngajat* dance.	

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