

Celebrations

Lesson A Vocabulary and Grammar

A Complete the description of South Korea's Mud Festival with words from the box.

annual celebrated costumes crowds participate takes place well-known

If you don't mind getting dirty, you should go to the (1) _____ Mud Festival, which is (2) _____ each summer in Boryeong, South Korea. Even though it is not the most (3) _____ festival, it still attracts large (4) _____ from around the world. Around 3 million people usually (5) _____ in the Mud Festival. It (6) _____ in July. During the festival, there are different mud activities, like mud racing and mud wrestling. Forget colorful (7) _____; you'll want to wear your old clothes or swimsuit for this festival.

B Match the answers to the questions.

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| _____ 1. How many people participate in La Tomatina festival in Spain? | a. In the Black Rock Desert, in Nevada |
| _____ 2. Do people wear costumes in the parade? | b. St. Patrick's Day |
| _____ 3. What is that well-known Jewish holiday called? | c. Do you mean Hanukkah or Yom Kippur? |
| _____ 4. What do Irish people celebrate on March 17th? | d. Yes. They're beautiful. They are often made by hand. |
| _____ 5. Was there a big crowd at the music festival? | e. Yes. There were many people there. |
| _____ 6. Where does Burning Man take place? | f. Up to 20,000 people |

C Write sentences with as... as and the adjectives in parentheses.

1. Mardi Gras / Holi (big)

2. the Cannes Film Festival / the Venice Film Festival (well known)

3. Thanksgiving / Hogmanay (not, long)

4. Art fairs / music festivals (interesting)

5. Festivals in the Philippines / festivals in the Caribbean (colorful)

6. the Carnival in France / the Carnival in Brazil (not, popular)
