

Guy Fawkes night

1 What did the gunpowder plotters want?

- a) To put a Catholic on the throne
- b) Relaxation of tariffs on the wool trade
- c) The restoration of the Tudor dynasty
- d) Freedom to read the Bible in English

2 And which king were they prepared to kill in order to achieve their aims?

- a) James I
- b) Henry VI
- c) Charles II
- d) Edward II

3 How did the men get the gunpowder into position?

- a) Left a gunpowder-packed coach by a weak door
- b) Rented a cellar under parliament
- c) Dressed as lords, concealed the explosives about their person and deposited them in the chamber
- d) They said the barrels were filled with wine and stacked them in a kitchen

4 Where had Guy Fawkes learned his gunpowder skills?

- a) Serving in the Spanish army
- b) On trading missions to China
- c) Quarrying stone in Wales
- d) Working at his father's musket repair shop in York

5 Who was named as one of Fawkes's co-conspirators?

- a) Thomas Percy
- b) Oliver Cromwell
- c) Titus Oates
- d) Christopher Marlowe

6 How were the plotters betrayed?

- a) Fawkes spent the evening of November 4 drunk in a Southwark tavern bragging the king would get a 'sore bottom' the next day
- b) One of the king's agents - Robert Catesby - infiltrated the group

- c) Lord Monteagle showed a letter inviting him to join the plotters to the king's men
- d) Hunting dogs smelt the gunpowder

7 Why do some people find the plot hard to swallow?

- a) They believe it was instigated by the king's secretary of state, Robert Cecil, for propaganda purposes
- b) None of the men named as conspirators had ever met
- c) Fawkes and the other named men were convenient fall guys for the plot's real leader - the king's brother - whose huge popular support made him almost untouchable
- d) There was never any gunpowder. Fawkes was simply a tobacco smuggler hiding his stash where the king's officers would never think to look

8 How did Fawkes die?

- a) Burned at the stake
- b) Hung, drawn and quartered
- c) Beheaded
- d) Drowned in water

9 After how many days of torture did he confess?

- a) Eight
- b) Two
- c) Four
- d) Six

10 Complete the rhyme: "Remember, remember"?

- a) The Fifth of November
- b) To look for gunpowder in the chamber
- c) Guy Fawkes was not the plot's only member
- d) The king would have been embers