

Task 1



There are no laws against having a bonfire outdoors, but there are laws for the trouble they can cause.

Burning domestic waste

You cannot get rid of household waste if it will cause pollution or harm people's health. This includes burning it.

You can get rid of household or garden waste by recycling it. Contact your local council to find out how to throw away garden waste and about recycling in your area.

You could be fined if you light a fire and allow the smoke to go into the road and become a danger to traffic.

Small and big bonfires

- All adults can have small bonfires on their own property.
- Only professionals can have big bonfires (over 2 metres high) on any property.

Complain about a neighbour's bonfire

Your council can issue an 'abatement notice' if a neighbour's bonfire is causing a problem. A bonfire must happen frequently to be considered a problem.

Your neighbour can be fined up to £5,000 if they don't follow the rules of the notice.

1) The best title for this text is:

- A) Health and safety advice
- B) Bonfire rules
- C) How to light a bonfire
- D) Neighbour's parties

2) You can burn household waste.

- A) True
- B) False

3) Why is the phrase below in bold text?

Your neighbour can be fined up to £5,000 if they don't follow the rules of the notice.

Because it's

- A) Reported speech
- B) A paragraph heading
- C) A link to a website
- D) Important information

4) Which word in the text means the same as **outside**?

5) What is the main purpose of this text?

- A) To entertain
- B) To complain
- C) To advertise
- D) To inform

6) Who can have big bonfires?

7) Put these words into alphabetical order:

Squad

Spring

Star

i) _____

ii) _____

iii) _____

Task 2

International Women's Day on 8 March is a day to celebrate the social, economic and political achievements of women, reflect on progress and demand gender equality. For over a hundred years, International Women's Day has highlighted issues affecting women all over the world. Today, International Women's Day is for everyone who believes that women's rights are human rights.

Why do we need an International Women's Day?

Across the world, less than 15 per cent of the world's countries have a female leader. Only 24 per cent of senior managers are women and 25 per cent of companies have no female senior managers at all. Women do the lowest-paid jobs and earn less money for the same work. This difference in pay is called the gender pay gap, and for young women in many places, including Britain and America, the gap is getting worse. Women are also more likely to do most of the housework and childcare. All of these problems affect women of colour even more than they do white women.

When it comes to healthcare and safety, women also face significant inequalities. An estimated 830 women a day die in childbirth. There are some shocking statistics for female murder too. Last year the UN found that 137 women a day were killed by their partner or former partner. Worldwide, over 50 per cent of female murders are committed by the victim's partner or family. When they have access to health education and care, women are also more likely to be ignored by doctors when they say they are in pain, and serious health problems are sometimes ignored for years.

The history of Women's Day

In 1908, 15,000 women in New York went on strike because of low pay and terrible conditions in the factories where they worked. **The following** year, the Socialist Party of America organised a National Women's Day, and one year after that, there was a conference in Copenhagen, Denmark, about equality and women's right to vote. In Europe, the idea grew and became International Women's Day (IWD) for the first time in 1911 and the United Nations declared 8 March International Women's Day in 1975.

1) This text is about:

- A) Female criminals
- B) History
- C) Women in America
- D) International Women's Day

2) Complete the table with the dates or years from the text. The first one has been done for you.

International Women's Day is on...	8 th March
The United Nations declared 8 th March International Women's Day in...	
The first International Women's Day in Europe was in...	
15,000 women went on strike in New York in...	

3) There is an apostrophe in the word **Women's** because there is a missing letter.

- A) True
- B) False

4) Which phrase could replace **the following** in the text?

- A) The last
- B) The same
- C) The next
- D) The continuing

5) This text is a/an

- A) Leaflet
- B) Review
- C) Poster
- D) Article

6) How many women did the UN find were murdered by a partner or former partner last year?
