

Preston Primary School Knowledge Organiser

History: Why do we have Bonfire Night on the 5th November?

Term: Autumn 2

Year: Unit 2 – Year 1 & 2

Duration: 6 Weeks

What is Bonfire Night?



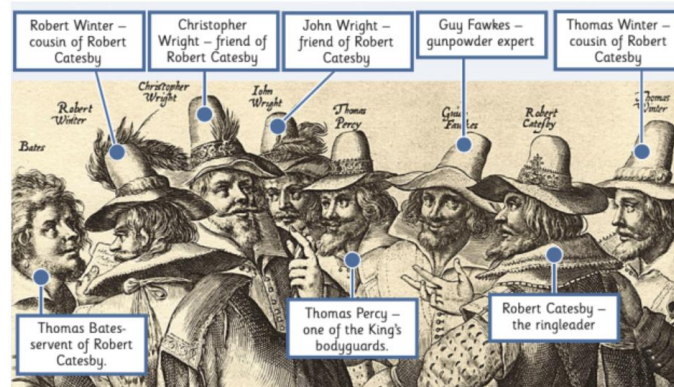
Who was Guy Fawkes?



King James I



Why did they want to blow up parliament?



Gunpowder Plot Sequence



King James I ascends to the throne

King James I becomes the ruler of England in 1603.

A group of men devise a plan to destroy Parliament.

Plotters plan to blow up Parliament



Guy Fawkes agrees to light the fuse

Guy Fawkes is tasked with igniting the gunpowder.

A letter is sent to warn a friend to stay away from Parliament.

Secret letter warns a friend



Guards search the cellars

Guards search the cellars and discover the gunpowder.

Guy Fawkes is apprehended before he can light the fuse.

Guy Fawkes is arrested



King is safe

The King is protected from the planned attack.

The public celebrates the King's safety with bonfires and fireworks.

People celebrate with bonfires



Key Vocabulary

commemorate		To remember by a ceremony
tradition		The handing down of information, beliefs, or customs from one generation to another
gunpowder		An explosive mixture used in guns and blasting
plot		To plan especially secretly
parliament		Parliament is where new laws are thought up, discussed, and agreed upon.
Catholic		A member of the Roman Catholic church
arrested		The police catch someone who they believe has done something against the law.
conspirators		Someone who makes a secret plan with other people to do something bad, wrong, or sneaky.
religion		Different people have different ways of thinking about the world and their place in it.
laws		Important rules
treason		When someone betrays their country