

November 5th is Guy Fawkes Day in Britain. All over the country people build wood fires, or „bonfires“, in their gardens. On top of each bonfire is a guy. That's a figure of Guy Fawkes. People make guys with straw, old clothes and newspaper. But before November 5th, children use their guys to make money. They stand in the street and shout „Penny for the guy“. Then they spend the money on fireworks.

How did this tradition start? Who was Guy Fawkes and why do the British remember him on November 5th.

**On November 5th 1605, Guy Fawkes tried to kill the King James I. He and a group of friends put a bomb under the Houses of Parliament in London.** But the King's men found the bomb – and they found Guy Fawkes, too. They took him to the Tower of London and there the King's men cut off his head.



Guy Fawkes' Day 250 years ago:  
Bonfire at Windsor Castle

- wood: Holz
- straw: Stroh
- clothes: Kleider
- shout: rufen
- spend: Geld ausgeben
- fireworks: Feuerwerk

A **bonfire** is a large fire made outdoors to celebrate some event (or just to burn dead leaves, rubbish, etc.)

### Translate:

- Es hat ein Feuer in seinem Garten. ....
- Erinnerst du dich an den 5. November?.....
- Gibst du dein Geld für Feuerwerk aus? .....
- Warum erinnern sie sich an Guy Fawkes? .....
- Warum versuchte er den König zu töten?.....
- Wann fanden sie die Bombe? .....
- Sie fanden auch Guy Fawkes. ....
- Wie begann diese Tradition? .....
- Sie machen die Figuren mit Stroh und alten Kleidern. ....
- Sie brauchen es, um Geld zu machen. ....