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Vocabulary

Festivals

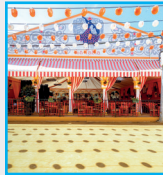
flamenco dress



flamenco shawl



marquee



fireworks



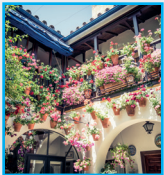
trumpet



drum



flowers



horses



amusement park



float



procession



incense



1 Reorder the letters to make words related to festivals.

- 1 r · u · d · m
- 2 o · f · t · a · l
- 3 e · l · f · r · o · s · w
- 4 n · s · i · e · e · c · n
- 5 r · t · p · m · e · t · u
- 6 u · q · m · r · e · a · e
- 7 k · w · r · e · o · i · f · r · s
- 8 i · r · p · c · e · s · n · o · s · o

2 Match the word (1-8) to its definition (A-H).

- | | |
|------------------|------------------|
| 1 flamenco shawl | 5 drum |
| 2 marquee | 6 fireworks |
| 3 trumpet | 7 flamenco dress |
| 4 amusement park | 8 horse |

- A** a percussion instrument that is played by hitting it with a stick
- B** an item of clothing that women wear that covers the whole body
- C** a decorative item of clothing worn around the shoulders
- D** something that produces beautiful, colourful explosions in the sky
- E** a temporary outdoor structure for eating or celebrating in
- F** a wind instrument
- G** a large animal with four legs, a mane and a tail
- H** a place where there are rides, rollercoasters and other fun attractions

3 Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

- 1 In Seville's April festival, friends and families eat, drink and dance in their own **marquees** / **drums**.
- 2 A **flower** / **procession** is a large group of people moving through the streets to celebrate a special event.
- 3 People burn **incense** / **fireworks** in churches.
- 4 **Dresses** / **Horses** take people through the streets in carriages during many festivals.
- 5 To play the **trumpet** / **drums**, you have to blow very hard.
- 6 My favourite ride at the **amusement park** / **float** is the big wheel - I love the views from the top.

Grammar

Adjectives ending with -ed and -ing

We use adjectives ending in **-ed** to talk about feelings.

I'm **interested** in seeing the patios of Cordoba in May.
I was really **surprised** by how busy Malaga was in August.
The fireworks at the end of Seville's April Fair were so loud I was quite **scared**.
I was really **disappointed** to miss the Columbus festivals of Huelva last year.
I'm really **excited** to learn how to dance flamenco.

Adjectives ending in **-ing** describe a person, thing or experience, or how it makes us feel.

It was a really **exciting** amusement park. (The amusement park made me feel excited.)
2020 was a **boring** year because all of the festivals were cancelled.
The Jerez Motorbike Race was **terrifying** - all of the bikes went so fast.

1 Reorder the letters to make adjectives ending in -ed and -ing.

- 1 a · z · i · a · m · n · g
- 2 o · n · y · d · e · a · n
- 3 r · e · d · i · t
- 4 p · d · e · s · i · s · n · r · e · g
- 5 r · i · g · r · p · s · s · i · n · u
- 6 i · r · h · g · e · t · d · e · n · f
- 7 e · t · e · s · r · g · t · i · n · i · n
- 8 f · s · c · n · o · u · s · e · d



2 Put the phrases into the correct group.

she was really scared · a tiring procession · a bored tourist
· an exciting firework display · a thrilling race · we felt tired
· disappointing decorations · a terrifying ride · we were frightened · I was excited · an astonishing number of people

How someone feels

The effect of someone or something on other people

3 Match the questions (1-6) and answers (A-F).

- 1 How were your friends after they spent the night dancing Sevillanas?
 - 2 Will she be happy when all the festivities are over?
 - 3 Did your parents enjoy their first time at Corpus Christi?
 - 4 What did she think of the horse festival in Jerez?
 - 5 Did you enjoy the fire jumping at San Juan?
 - 6 What did he think of seeing his father trying to dance flamenco?
- A No, I'm sure she'll be quite depressed.
 - B Well, to be honest, I was absolutely terrified!
 - C He said it was really embarrassing.
 - D Yes, I think they found it fascinating.
 - E They seemed quite tired.
 - F She said it was amazing.

Reading

1 Read the article and answer the questions true or false.

A fantastic week in Seville

Seville's April Fair is famous around the world and I couldn't wait to experience it for myself. In the end, the reality was even better than I had expected; one week of eating, drinking and dancing with some of the friendliest people I had ever met! Seville is a beautiful, historical city and during the spring it is filled with the rich smells of the orange blossom and the sounds of traditional folk music.

My first impression of the festival was how colourful everything was - from the bright lights of the Calle del Infierno amusement park to the beautiful flamenco dresses and shawls worn by the women. There are hundreds of striped marquees and I was invited into some of them to dance Sevillanas. Unfortunately, I'm not a very good dancer but the locals were very kind and taught me some of the basics. A kind man even lent me his jacket and hat so I could feel like a true Sevillano while I was dancing!

They save the best for last in the April Fair with a huge firework display on Sunday night. I was very sad to see it all end but I had a fantastic time and made some great new friends. In fact, I have already booked my flights and accommodation for next year!

- 1 The writer thought that the fair would be better.
True / False
- 2 The first thing the writer noticed was the colours.
True / False
- 3 The writer already knew the basics of dancing Sevillanas.
True / False
- 4 The writer went to the fair with his own hat and jacket.
True / False
- 5 The best part of the festival was the dancing.
True / False