

**I. READING**
**Unusual festivals**
**Water throwing festival**

The weather in Thailand is very hot in spring, but if you are visiting that country in April, it might be a good idea to take an umbrella and a raincoat with you. Every year on 13 April, which is New Year in Thailand, there is a water throwing festival. Young people run or drive through the streets with buckets of water or enormous water-guns and throw water at anybody they see. So, if you don't want to get wet, don't stand in the street. Participants must follow three important rules. Firstly, they mustn't throw water at old people. Secondly, they mustn't touch people. Thirdly, they mustn't throw water at car drivers.

**La Tomatina**

On the last Wednesday of August each year, the Spanish town of Bu?ol holds the world's biggest food fight, La Tomatina. People throw over 90,000 pounds of ripe tomatoes at each other! The place gets very busy with up to 40,000 visitors arriving in a town that usually has just over 9,000 people. Those who want to join in gather in the main square and wait for the signal to begin. Then the 'battle' starts and the square turns red.

Very soon everybody's clothes are covered in tomatoes. It all begins and ends within an hour.

By the evening everything has returned to normal. Visitors wash themselves in the river, go home and the town is once again neat and tidy.

**Cheese rolling**

Nobody knows exactly when this tradition at Cooper's Hill in the centre of England started, but it was hundreds of years ago. The rules are simple: you have to chase a large, round cheese down a very steep hill. This dangerous event takes place every year at the end of May. Participants often break arms or legs, and even the spectators are at risk. 1997 was a particularly bad year for casualties. Up to 37 people were hurt. To reduce the number of injuries, participants and spectators have to follow a few simple safety rules. Now, about twelve people a year get injured!

**Bull running**

It is the most famous part of the Fiesta de San Fermin, a week-long festival that is held every July in Pamplona, Spain. Every morning at eight o'clock, participants run through the streets in front of a group of six bulls, each about 600 kg. Anybody can take part. You needn't sign up – you just have to stand in the street and wait for the bulls. But it's a dangerous event. In 2004, eight participants were injured when the bulls caught them with their horns. All spectators must stay behind the double line of fences along the road. This is because the participants need to jump over the first line of fences into an empty space to escape from the bulls.

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**1. Participants of ..... might get injured during the festival.**

- A) Water throwing                       ) La Tomatina  
 B) Cheese rolling                          ) Bull running

**2. Tourists may be ..... when they are in Thailand at New Year.**

- A) killed with water-guns                  ) wet  
 B) cold      ) hot

**3. About ..... people live in Bu?ol.**

- A) nine thousand  
 ) thirty-one thousand  
 B) forty thousand  
 ) ninety thousand

**4. Participants must run fast during**

- A) Water throwing.                          ) La Tomatina.  
 B) Cheese rolling.                              ) Bull running.

**5. Nobody knows when the tradition of ..... began.**

- A) Water throwing                          ) La Tomatina  
 B) Cheese rolling                              ) Bull running

**6. Participants of Water throwing festival mustn't**

- A) touch people.  
 ) throw water at car drivers.  
 B) run with buckets of water.  
 ) throw water at old people.

**7. Choose the true sentences.**

- A) There are nearly 50,000 people in Bu?ol on the last Wednesday of August.  
 ) Bull running is part of a longer festival.  
 B) People chase something big at Cheese rolling.  
 ) Water throwing festival starts at eight o'clock and lasts for an hour.

**II. COMMUNICATION**
**8. A: .....  
B: Sure. What's the matter?**

- A) Would you like me to help you?  
 ) I wonder if you could help me.  
 B) Please help me, will you?  
 ) Could you help me, please?

**9. A: Why don't you join us for the barbecue?**

- B: .....**  
 A) That's a great idea!  
 ) You can't be serious!  
 B) I didn't like it.  
 ) With pleasure.

10. A: We are the volleyball champions!

B: .....

- A) What a shame!  
 ) Congratulations!  
 B) Well done!  
 ) Poor you!

11. A: Would you like to go to the theatre with me on Sunday?

B: .....

- A) Yes, why not?  
 ) I'm afraid I can't.  
 B) No, I won't.  
 ) I'm sorry to hear that.

12. A: Would you like something to drink?

B: .....

- A) Here's your orange juice.  
 ) I'll have some orange juice.  
 B) Would you like some orange juice?  
 ) Can I have some orange juice?

### III. VOCABULARY

13. Amanda can ..... martial arts.

- A) surf     ) do     B) play     ) run

14. Alice and Tina are very ..... . They love going to parties and meeting new people.

- A) outgoing     ) bossy  
 B) stubborn     ) sociable

15. Washington is the name of

- A) the capital city of the USA.  
 ) a long river in the UK.  
 B) a large lake in Canada.  
 ) a state in the USA.

16. Barack Obama became the president of the USA

- A) when he had 48 of years.  
 ) when he was forty-eight years old.  
 B) at the age of 48.  
 ) having forty-eight years old.

17. Scarves are often made of

- A) rubber.     ) cotton.  
 B) stained glass.     ) silk.

18. Dick was so thirsty that he drank two ..... of coke.

- A) bottles     ) bags  
 B) cans     ) loaves

19. Boris had food poisoning. He was ..... a lot last night.

- A) vomiting     ) sick  
 B) throwing up     ) stomach ache

20. You can connect your smartphone to the computer with

- A) your mouse.  
 ) the memory stick.  
 B) your keyboard.  
 ) the USB cable.

### IV. GRAMMAR

21. Do you think ..... tomorrow?

- A) it's going to rain  
 ) it's raining  
 B) it will rain  
 ) is it going to rain

22. .... I help you wash the car, dad?

- A) Will     ) Need  
 B) Shall     ) Can

23. I (1) ..... Dorothy for the first time while I (2) ..... in Brighton.

- A) (1) was meeting; (2) studied  
 ) (1) met; (2) was studying  
 B) (1) was meeting; (2) was studying  
 ) (1) met; (2) was

24. A: What are your plans for the next weekend?  
B: We ..... to London.

- A) will fly  
 ) are flying  
 B) are going to fly  
 ) shall fly

25. Take an umbrella in case it

- A) rains.     ) will rain.  
 B) was raining.     ) rained.

26. I'll tidy up the bathroom after I ..... doing my homework.

- A) am     ) finish  
 B) will finish     ) have finished

27. If you finish your work, ..... a break.

- A) you'll have     ) have  
 B) you can have     ) you should have

28. There's ..... on my plate.

- A) something     ) anything  
 B) everyone     ) nothing

29. I have to look ..... my little sister tonight.  
My parents are going to the theatre.

- A) for     ) into  
 B) after     ) up

30. I ..... Thomas since January.

- A) know     ) have known  
 B) am knowing     ) knew