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9. Use an atlas to find the location of Guy Fawkes Island.
10. Name a characteristic of Guy Fawkes and find an example in the text for your choice.

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1. What is 'treason'? **Treason is a crime against the country or killing a king or queen.**
2. What year was Guy Fawkes born and where was he born? **Guy Fawkes was born in 1570 in York.**
3. What was the name of the war he fought in when he was in the Spanish Army? **When he was in the Spanish Army, he fought in the 'Eighty Years war'.**
4. Find one quote from the text that show that Guy Fawkes was a catholic. **Find one quote from the text that show that Guy Fawkes was a catholic. Quotes that show Guy Fawkes was a Catholic are (any from):**
 - "Guy became a Catholic"
 - "He fought for the Catholic side as this was his religion"
 - "These were all Catholic men"
5. Apart from Guy Fawkes, how many other men were in the plot gang? **There were twelve other men in the plot gang (making a total of thirteen).**
6. Why was Guy Fawkes doing a dangerous job when he was in the cellar when he was arrested? **Guy Fawkes was doing a dangerous job in the cellar because he was sitting with 36 barrels of explosive gunpowder that could have been lit with a spark or other flame and blown him (and everything else) up!**
7. Why did we choose the 5th of November to have Bonfire Night? **The 5th of November was the night that Guy Fawkes was arrested.**
8. Who still searches the Houses of Parliament every year before the Queen visits? **Beefeaters search the Houses of Parliament once per year.**

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9. Use an atlas to find the location of Guy Fawkes Island. (Practical activity for reading indexes and grid references)
10. Name a characteristic of Guy Fawkes and find an example in the text for your choice. Open ended (and good for discussion) but may include any of the following examples: Guy Fawkes is:
- A fighter because he was “a soldier in the Spanish Army”
 - Religious/Catholic because he “fought in the Eighty Years War for the Catholics against the Dutch Protestants” and “Guy converted to Catholicism”
 - A team player because he “was one of thirteen men involved in the Gunpowder Plot.”
 - Scheming/a plotter because he was one of the gang who “who plotted the regicide ... of King James I”
 - A criminal mind/did not follow rules because he was one of the gang who “who plotted the regicide ... of King James I”
 - A traitor because “was arrested and found guilty of treason”.

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3. How old was Guy Fawkes when he his father died?
4. Find two quotes from the text that show that Guy Fawkes was a catholic.
5. What role did Robert Catesby play in The Gunpowder Plot gang?
6. Think about Guy Fawkes and where he was arrested, why do you think he might have died anyway, even if he had not been caught?
7. Where is the House of Lords in relation to the Houses of Parliament?
8. In the 'Guy Fawkes Facts' section, how many times a year does the search of the Houses of Parliament happen?
9. Use an atlas to find the location of Guy Fawkes Island and find out which ocean it is in.
10. Name two characteristics of Guy Fawkes and find examples in the text for each of your choices.

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1. What is 'treason'? **Treason is a crime against the country or killing a king or queen.**
2. Why do we not know Guy Fawkes' exact date of birth? **We can only guess when his date of birth is because there are no records to show his date of birth. There are only records to show when he was christened.**
3. How old was Guy Fawkes when he his father died? **Guy Fawkes was eight years old when his father died.**
4. Find two quotes from the text that show that Guy Fawkes was a catholic.
Quotes that show Guy Fawkes was a Catholic are (any two from):
 - "Guy became a Catholic"
 - "fought in the Eighty Years War for the Catholic side"
 - "These were Catholic men"
5. What role did Robert Catesby play in The Gunpowder Plot gang? **Robert Catesby was the leader of The Gunpowder Plot gang.**
6. Think about Guy Fawkes and where he was arrested, why do you think he might have died anyway, even if he had not been caught? **Guy Fawkes is likely to have died in the explosion from the gunpowder as there was enough gunpowder to blow up the king and anything within a mile of the gunpowder. (Do not accept answers that may mention old age or being run over by a bus as the question asks the reader to think about where he was arrested and implies thinking about the gunpowder.)**
7. Where is the House of Lords in relation to the Houses of Parliament? **The House**

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of Lords is next door to the Houses of Parliament.

8. In the 'Guy Fawkes Facts' section, how many times a year does the search of the Houses of Parliament happen? **The search of the Houses of Parliament happens once per year. (In the text it says 'annually'.)**
9. Use an atlas to find the location of Guy Fawkes Island and find out which ocean it is in. **(Practical activity for reading indexes and grid references) Guy Fawkes Island is in the Pacific Ocean.**
10. Name two characteristics of Guy Fawkes and find examples in the text for each of your choices. **Open ended (and good for discussion) but may include the following examples: Guy Fawkes is:**
 - A fighter because he was "a soldier in the Spanish Army".
 - Religious/Catholic because he "fought in the Eighty Years War for the Catholics against the Dutch Protestants" and "Guy converted to Catholicism".
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2. How come we can only make an educated guess as to his date of birth?
3. How old was Guy Fawkes when he was arrested?
4. Was Guy Fawkes always a Catholic? Find some evidence from the text to back up your answer.
5. Who was the leader of The Gunpowder Plot gang?
6. What is regicide? Can you think of any other words that are similar with a meaning that is along the same lines?
7. How did Guy Fawkes die?
8. What word choices did the author make to make the title of the fact file more noticeable?
9. Use an atlas to find the location of Guy Fawkes Island and find out which ocean it is in and to which country it belongs.
10. Name three characteristics of Guy Fawkes and find examples in the text for each of your choices.

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1. What is the crime 'treason'? **Treason is a crime against the country, such as killing a king or queen.**
2. How come we can only make an educated guess as to his date of birth? **We can only guess when his date of birth is because there are no records to show his date of birth. There are only records to show when he was christened.**
3. How old was Guy Fawkes when he was arrested? **Guy Fawkes was thirty-five years old when he was arrested.**
4. Was Guy Fawkes always a Catholic? Find some evidence from the text to back up your answer. **Guy Fawkes was not always a Catholic, he converted to a Catholic. In the paragraph 'Early Life' it says: "Guy converted to Catholicism" which means he changed to be a Catholic from another religion.**
5. Who was the leader of The Gunpowder Plot gang? **Robert Catesby was the leader of The Gunpowder Plot gang.**
6. What is regicide? Can you think of any other words that are similar with a meaning that is along the same lines? **'Regicide' means killing a king or queen. Similar words are 'homicide' which means killing a person and 'suicide' which means someone killing their self.**
7. How did Guy Fawkes die? **Guy Fawkes died from a broken neck as he fell on the day he should have been hanged.**
8. What word choices did the author make to make the title of the fact file more noticeable? **The author has used alliteration to make the title of the fact file more noticeable.**

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9. Use an atlas to find the location of Guy Fawkes Island and find out which ocean it is in and to which country it belongs. (Practical activity for reading indexes and grid references) Guy Fawkes Island is in the Pacific Ocean and is part of Ecuador.
10. Name three characteristics of Guy Fawkes and find examples in the text for each of your choices. Open ended (and good for discussion) but may include the following examples: Guy Fawkes is:
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