

The Highland Games

What Are the Highland Games?

The Highland Games are held all over Scotland from May to September. At the games, you can see different sporting events and Scottish traditions.

Did You Know?

At the Highland Games, there are traditional sporting events. These events go back hundreds of years.



Tug o' war



Hammer throw



Shot put



Tossing the caber

Visitors can also see Scottish traditions such as Highland dancing, pipe bands and tartan. Anyone wearing a kilt can also take part in the kiltie dash!



The Braemar Gathering

The Braemar Gathering is the most famous Highland Games in the world. It takes place on the first Saturday in September. It is a special gathering because the royal family attend.

Highland Games Facts

- At some games, there is a haggis hurling event.
- Highland Games are held all over the world.
- A caber is a log from a larch tree. It is almost six metres long!
- Over 80 Highland Games take place all over Scotland.



Questions

1. What can visitors see at the Highland Games?

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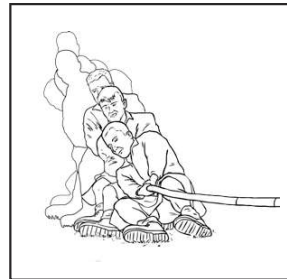
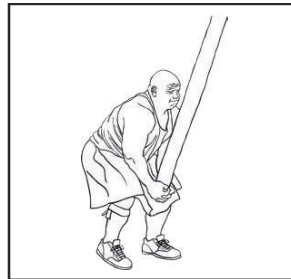
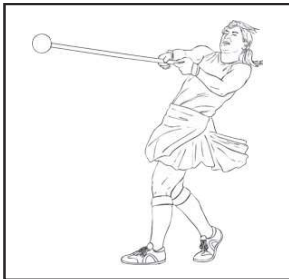
2. How many Highland games take place around Scotland? Tick one.

8

80

88

3. Match the sporting event to the correct picture.



tossing the caber

hammer throwing

shot put

Tug o' war

4. Why do you think the games are held between May and September?

The games are held between May and September because

5. What do you think haggis hurling is?

6. If you were attending the Highland Games, which event would you like to see and why?

7. Write two facts you have learnt about the Highland Games.

Challenge:

Design a poster for the Braemar Highland Games.

Remember to include the different events and traditions.

