

For Advanced Kids Learners

Book 2

Time to Talk

Lesson 29 Strange Festivals – La Tomatina



- **Answer the question**



**What would you do
if you had 100 tons of tomatoes?**

- Read and learn

Strange Festivals – La Tomatina

La Tomatina is a famous festival in Spain. It is the largest tomato fight in the world. It happens every year on the last Wednesday of August in a small town called Bunol.

At around 11 a.m., many trucks filled with tomatoes arrive in the town centre. There are over one hundred **tons** of tomatoes! The fight begins when **water cannons** are fired into the air. Thousands of people throw the tomatoes at each other. People need to **squeeze** the tomatoes before they throw them.



water cannon

ton

a very large amount
1 ton = 1,000 kilograms



squeeze

- **Read and learn**

The fight goes on for exactly one hour. After one hour, the town and the people get completely covered in tomatoes. Fire trucks are called in to wash away the red **mess**.

La Tomatina has become a popular tourist **event**. To **take part in** it, you have to buy a ticket and **register** in advance.



mess



event

register

*to sign up for something
by putting your name on
a list*



- **Fill in the missing letters to complete the sentence.**

1. Mom cleans the **m _ s _** in the kitchen.

2. I'll soon **_ e g _ s _ e r** for a piano class.

3. He **s _ u _ e z _ s** the oranges for the juice.

4. The elephant is about 3-5 **t _ _ s** heavy.

5. There was a fire on the next street. **W _ t e _ c a _ n _ n s** came to help.

6. It's my sister's birthday party. I ask my friend to join in the **e _ _ n t**.

- Grammar



take part in + sth

To join into something with other people.

Examples

- To **take part in it**, you have to buy a ticket and register in advance.
- On Children's Day, kids can **take part in many interesting games and activities**.

+ What festival/event did you take part in this year?



- **True or False?**

1. La Tomatina is the world's largest tomato fight.
2. The tomato fight ends after 3 hours.
3. People need to squeeze the apples before they throw them.
4. You can join the event without a ticket.
5. After the fight, fire trucks clean the red mess.