

# A Night to Remember

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34 playing fields behind Boscoe Woods  
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73 night with the flames looking like  
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94 mouth waters just thinking about it.  
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113 hidden treasure of fleshy apple still  
116 make me smile.



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## Questions



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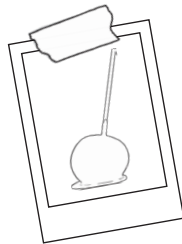
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## Answers



1. Find and copy the word that means the same as 'every year'.

**annual**



2. Find and copy the simile and describe the effect the author has created.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: The simile is 'the flames looking like mesmerising dragons hunting their prey.' I think the effect is that it shows that the flames' movement is rapid and spreads as the fire grows with hunger.**



3. What does the word **catapulted** suggest about the speed of the fireworks?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: The word catapulted suggests that the speed of the fireworks is a sudden, fast movement into the sky.**



4. Which **two** safety measures were put in place to protect the spectators?

**Accept any two of the following: the bonfire was safely fenced off; it was tended to by local firefighters; it was on the far side of the field.**