

Read the magazine article and the online forum below.

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## *The Festival That Lights up Lyon*

Evelyn Cooper

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The Festival of Lights in Lyon, France attracts millions of visitors to the city each year. The four-day festival, which begins around 8<sup>th</sup> December, shows gratitude to the Virgin Mary, mother of Jesus.

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During the festival, people watch sound and light shows in front of a famous church called Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, or in the square Place des Terreaux. In the town, walls of buildings are lit up with dazzling colours, highlighting the beauty of the outstanding architecture. The most fascinating part of the festival is when every family puts candles outside the windows or on the balconies of their houses. It lights up the whole city.

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This unique event **has to be on everyone's bucket list!** It is too good to miss! Visit Lyon with your beloved ones in December to have a pre-Christmas party!

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Fiona

I visited the Place des Terreaux before but I never knew it could look so beautiful when it was full of lights! It was magical!

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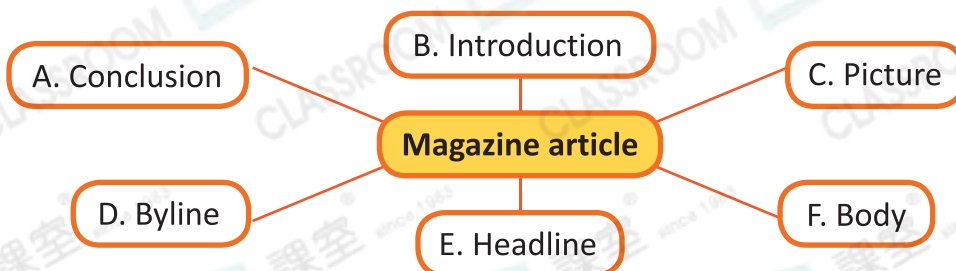
Leo

I couldn't believe my favourite painting was projected on the wall of a chapel in Lyon. The most surprising moment was when the lady on **it** started dancing! I will come earlier next time so that I can get a good spot to watch the shows. I felt a bit disappointed this time.

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### A. Text Type Features

Read the mind map below. Write the correct letters in the boxes.




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## B. Comprehension

Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

-  1. Which is **FALSE** about the Festival of Lights?
- A. Many people go to Lyon to celebrate the festival every year.
  - B. The festival begins around 8<sup>th</sup> December every year.
  - C. Various light shows are put on the walls of the buildings in Lyon.
  - D. People living in Lyon turn on the lights in their houses to light up the city.
2. In the magazine article, Evelyn thinks the Festival of Lights '**has to be on everyone's bucket list**'. It means \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. people must experience the festival at least once
  - B. people can have a pre-Christmas party in Lyon
  - C. couples can enjoy a romantic December in Lyon
  - D. the festival is unique to Lyon



Q2

Read the next sentence.

Answer the questions in **COMPLETE SENTENCES**.

3. Did Fiona enjoy the sound and light shows at the Place des Terreaux? Why or why not?

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4. Read Leo's comment in the online forum, what does the word '**it**' refer to?

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5. Why did Leo feel disappointed?

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## C. Vocabulary

Fill in each blank with **ONE** word from the magazine article or the online forum. Change the word form when necessary.

The Festival of Lights is a ① \_\_\_\_\_ (adj.) tradition in Lyon because no other cities have such an event. The festival is celebrated to express ② \_\_\_\_\_ (n.) to the mother of Jesus. However, it has become a touristy event rather than a religious festival.