

# Questions

1. Where was Robert Burns from? Tick one.

- ☐ Wales
- ☐ Scotland
- ☐ England

2. Find and copy a word that shows that Robert Burns is well known.

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3. When is 'Auld Lang Syne' sung? Tick one.

- ☐ Christmas Day
- ☐ Boxing Day
- ☐ New Year's Eve

4. What do men wear on Burns Night?

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5. Draw **three** lines to match each food with its Scottish name.

haggis

tatties

cranachan

potatoes

a type of sausage in  
a sheep's stomach

cream, raspberries  
and oatcakes

# Burns Night

Burns Night is celebrated around the world every year. It is a time when people remember a famous Scottish poet called Robert Burns.



## Robert Burns

Robert Burns was born on 25<sup>th</sup> January 1759 in Alloway, Scotland. He wrote many famous poems about issues that were important to him.

He wrote the famous song 'Auld Lang Syne' which is sung on New Year's Eve.

In Scotland, he is also known as Rabbie Burns or 'The Bard' which means poet and is a Scottish icon.



## Burns Night

Burns Night is celebrated on or around the 25<sup>th</sup> January. People gather together to eat haggis, neeps and tatties. Haggis is a type of sausage stored inside a sheep's stomach, neeps are turnips and tatties are potatoes.

Dessert is usually a dish called cranachan which is whipped cream mixed with raspberries and oat cakes.

After the meal, many of Robert Burns's poems and songs are read and performed, such as 'My Love is like a Red, Red Rose' and 'Tam o'Shanter.'

Traditionally, male guests wear kilts and women wear dresses or skirts in their family tartan.