

**Task 1:** Work together and try to decide if these statements are true or false.

1. Newcastle is a very old city.
2. People don't wear much at night because Newcastle has very mild weather.
3. The 'Bigg Market' is in Glasgow.
4. The people of Newcastle speak with accent called 'Geordie'.
5. The presence of the police stops people from being loud, high spirited and aggressive.
6. Music and comedy are very popular.
7. The river is an important part of the city.
8. Women go to 'hen parties' before they get married.
9. You can only get into some clubs if you dress as a policeman.
10. Young people go to Newcastle to go to the 'Theatre Royal'.

**Task 2:** Try to match these meanings to the bold words in the text.

1. a party for men before a wedding
2. a party for women before a wedding
3. clothes
4. crowded
5. fashionable
6. people who go out a lot at night
7. place
8. a place next to water
9. entertainment at a nightclub or restaurant
10. to prevent

**Task 3:** Discuss these questions with your partner.

- How does a night out in Newcastle differ from a night out in your town?
- Which of the places mentioned in the text would you most like to visit? Why?
- Which of the things in the text would you not want to do?
- What do men and women in your country do before they marry?
- What places would you advise a foreign visitor to go to for an evening out in your country?