

Festivals: Text A

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The Snake Festival

Every year on the first Thursday in May the small town of Cocullo in Italy sees thousands of visitors. They are all arriving to see the annual Snake Festival. The festival is held on Saint Dominic's Day. St Dominic lived in the town in the 11th century. At that time there were many snakes in the town and many people died of snakebites. Saint Dominic got rid of the snakes and the people of Cocullo hold this festival every year to remember him. For some weeks before the festival, people collect snakes and then, on St Dominic's Day, they put all the snakes on a statue of St Dominic. At midday they carry the statue and the snakes in a procession through the town. At the front of the procession is a band playing music and at the back are women in costume who give sweets and bread shaped like snakes to the people who are watching. At the end of the procession there are fireworks.

	Snake Festival	Land Diving Festival	Bun Festival	May Day
Where?				
When?				
Why?				
What happens?				
Special Food?				