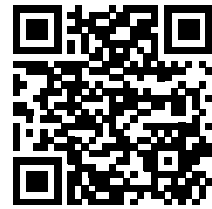


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The State Opening of Parliament



The Gunpowder Plot was a major event in British history. It was a _____ planned by a group of English Catholics. Their goal was to blow up the House of _____ during the State Opening of Parliament. This event took place in 1605. The _____ wanted to kill King James I and many members of _____. They were unhappy with the way Catholics were treated in _____.

The leader of the plot was Robert Catesby. He was joined by several others, including _____ Fawkes. Fawkes was in charge of the gunpowder that was to be used in the explosion. They hid the gunpowder in a _____ beneath the House of Lords.

However, the plot was discovered before it could be carried out. An anonymous _____ was sent to a member of Parliament, warning him to stay away from the State Opening. The _____ searched the cellar and found Fawkes guarding the gunpowder. He was immediately arrested.

After his _____, Fawkes and the other conspirators were tortured until they confessed. They were all found guilty of _____ and executed. The failure of the Gunpowder Plot is still remembered every _____ on November 5th as Guy Fawkes Night.

The State Opening of Parliament is an important _____. It marks the beginning of the parliamentary session. The _____ reads a speech outlining the government's plans. Because of the Gunpowder Plot, _____ measures during the State Opening are very strict.

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