

1)What's the origin of Carnival?

There are two theories. The first say that the carnival is a period before Lent when people eat a lot of food. Then there was a big party (The Carnival).

The second theory says that the carnival is previous to pre-Christian times, in Greece and Rome. The ancient Roman festivals of Saturnalia and Bacchanalia

2) Which are the roots of the Notting Hill Carnival?

The roots of the Notting Hill Carnival are a response to the depressing state of race relations at the time and the Caribbean immigrants and Indian too.

3) When was Notting Hill Carnival first celebrated?

It is held each August Bank Holiday since 1966

4) What is Notting Hill Carnival traditional starting point?

Started as a local festival celebrated by the west Indian immigrants of the area and went on to become a great carnival, visited by a millions of visitors

5) Describe the main elements of Notting Hill Carnival.

Music is at the heart of Notting Hill Carnival, with traditional and contemporary sounds filling the air for miles around.

The parade. First, there is a children's parade on Sunday, On Monday it is the main parade, a lot of floats, costumes and bands across the street.

Costumes. People prepare their costumes a lot of time before. The costumes are exotic.

And food. Notting Hill Carnival provides the perfect introduction to jerk chicken, rice and peas and rum punch and other exotic food.

6) Write a short description of "the Cigarróns", the masked figures that are the emblem of the entroido in Verín.

The Cigarrón is the main character in the Entroido in Verin. The Cigarrón is a costume which includes a mask of wood, a whip, a strip, a jacket and shorts with pompoms

7) What is the meaning of the entroido in Verín?

This festival shows, a respect for tradition and also its love of liberty and the imaginative creativity of the modern age, irony and the peculiar sense of humor known as retransca that characterize Verín's carnival costumes

8) Carnival became a time to eat lots of meat and celebrate before the solemn observance of Lent began. Which typical food is eaten in Verín during the "entroido"?

Local delicacies include cachucha (pork head), Galician stew and desserts such as orellas and filloas, all washed down with the local wines that are at their best at this time of year.

THE BIG QUESTION

STUDENT 1: ACAPELA TV POSTER:

<http://www.acapela.tv/card/GoodOldTimes/854101827df0f1674705ffd88d11f96510ea75ae/>

Transcription:

Hello, today "The entroido in Verín". It's the best carnival in the world. It's a period where people enjoy the music, parades and costumes.... It's a big party with a lot of freedoms and a lot of humor.

STUDENT 2: Explain what you have learnt about the history of Carnival

With this project I have learnt a lot of things. For example I know that there are two theories about the origin of Carnival. Another thing is that there are a lot of places where people celebrate a traditional Carnival. The two theories are ok, because the Romans were superstitious with these things and the Christians celebrated a Big Party before Lent, just the same as Carnival now.

STUDENT 3

Explain what the "Entroido" in Verín and Notting Hill Carnival have in common

The "Entroido" in Verín and the carnaval in Notting Hill have in common the music, the parades, the food, the costume, the party...

In Notting Hill the music is a big element of Carnival, miles of sounds in the air, Reggae to R&B, Funk, House, Dub and much more. In Verin, the music is played by the “Charangas” and orchestras (and “Disco Movil Jorge”).

The parades is an other element in common. In Notting Hill the parades are on Sunday and on Monday. The Children’s parade is less spectacular but it is also less crowded while Monday is traditionally the main parade. In Verin, the Children’s Day parade is on Thursday, and on Sunday and Tuesday it is the big parade.

Fun and parties are two elements in common in Notting Hill and in the Entroido