

## TREASURE HUNT CARNIVAL IN LONDON AND THE "ENTROIDO" IN VERÍN

1) What's the origin of Carnival?

-Carnival comes before Lent. It's a traditional festival held in Roman Catholic societies.

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

-Caribbeans outsiders that came to Notting Hill.

3) When was Notting Hill Carnival first celebrated?

-In 1966.

4) What is Notting Hill Carnival traditional starting point?

-Emslie Hornimans's Pleasance.

5) Describe the main elements of Notting Hill Carnival?

-The music, the parade, the traditional masks and the exotic cuisines.

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

-The suit weighs about 25 kilos and is handed down from father to son. The mask is made of wood. You need a lot of training to carry it.

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

-It's the biggest party in the village.

8) Which typical food is eaten in Verín during the "entroido"?

-Ham with turnip greens, lamb, cigarrón pie, pork head, filloas...

THE BIG QUESTION:

STUDENT 1: ACAPELA TV POSTER at: <http://www.acapela.tv/en/talking-card/SeriousBusiness/16fa0f4a9d9f36fc3d51164e4bf9579a117bf7ee/>

STUDENT 2: Explain what you learn about the origin of Carnival.

I didn't know almost anything about Carnival's history so everything was new for me. I never thought Carnival could come from Lent,

although Lent, as a catholic party, wasn't familiar to me. I knew a few things about the "cigarrones", but since I never had my own suit I didn't know some details as the suit's weight, its composition and other things... Also I didn't have any idea about the typical food and I don't even think I've eaten ham with turnip greens in my whole life.

STUDENT 3: Explain what the "Entroido" in Verín and Notting Hill Carnival have in common.

There are a few similarities between Verín carnival and Notting Hill Carnival. Both of them contain similar elements. In Verín there are a lot of very original parades on the street, specially on Tuesday. People also wear masks and most of them wear costumes which are still more elaborated. There is also music. I don't know if the music played at Verín's carnival is traditional or not, but I can say it's really annoying. I really hope Notting Hill's music is better. Both carnival's food might be different, but that doesn't change the fact that in both carnivals food is a main element.