

1 Read the text and complete the gaps with the words below.

- people • beef • River • country • lights • fancy dress • buildings • kite • bands
- performers • restaurants • parade



Saint Patrick's Day

around the world



Saint Patrick's Day is an Irish celebration, but today people enjoy celebrating Saint Patrick's Day all over the world!

1. Sydney, Australia

The Sydney Opera House is one of the most famous 1) _____ in the world, and every year on 17th March they use bright green 2) _____ to turn the outside of the building green for Saint Patrick's Day. Many 3) _____ serve Irish meals like corned 4) _____ and cabbage, and people wear green for the day.



2. Chicago, Illinois, USA



In Chicago, Saint Patrick's Day is a popular celebration. This is because of the fantastic Saint Patrick's Day 5) _____ which takes place in the city every year. There are marching 6) _____ playing Irish music, traditional Irish dances and people wearing 7) _____ to look like leprechauns. But that's not the only thing that makes Saint Patrick's Day special in Chicago; the Chicago 8) _____ is also dyed green for the day!

3. Montserrat, Caribbean

Other than Ireland, Montserrat is the only 9) _____ where people don't go to school or work on Saint Patrick's Day. This is because many of the 10) _____ that moved to the small island country came from Ireland hundreds of years ago. They have a Saint Patrick's Festival that lasts ten days. Besides wearing green, eating traditional St Patrick's Day food, and listening and dancing to music played by street 11) _____, they also have a 12) _____ festival and other fun activities.



2 Read the text again and then read the leprechaun's riddles below. Decide which place answers each riddle: Sydney, Chicago, or Montserrat.



Where does a famous building turn green on Saint Patrick's Day each year to be seen?

1) _____

Which is the place that a street performer plays the drums at a festival that lasts ten long days?

2) _____

Which place can you see a great parade and a river dyed green?

3) _____

3 **ICT** Find information about how other countries around the world celebrate Saint Patrick's Day. Present it to the class.