

BRAZILIAN CARNIVAL

1 Read and complete.

- culture • compete • alive
- worldwide • practise • stadium
- performers • floats

Are you looking for something exciting to do this February? Visit the Carnival in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil! Watch the streets come

1) _____ with parties, singing and dancing! It's no wonder that people in Brazil call it 'The Greatest Show on Earth'! Carnival in Rio is one of the biggest celebrations in the world, and it lasts for about four days! It attracts thousands of people

2) _____! During Carnival, there are over two million people in the streets every day! The biggest event at Carnival is the Samba School Parade! Participants are from different Samba schools that 3) _____ against each other for the title of Carnival Champion. What makes the parade so special is that the schools

4) _____ all year long. Competition is tough, though, and some schools spend large amounts of money on making their own colourful costumes and floats! In the parade, there are hundreds of fantastic

5) _____ and thousands of 6) _____ dancing along! They all make their way to the Sambadrome, a huge

7) _____ that can seat more than 80,000 people! The Carnival in Rio de Janeiro is a great way to experience Brazil's rich 8) _____! Don't miss it!

2 Read and write **True** or **False**.

- 1 Carnival in Rio lasts for forty days.

- 2 Visitors come from all over the world.

- 3 The Samba School Parade is the most popular event.

- 4 People who take part in the parade only practise in February.

- 5 Some Samba schools spend a lot of money on the preparations.

- 6 The Sambadrome holds up to eight hundred people.

3 Would you like to visit the Carnival in Rio? Why? Tell the class.