

□ COMPREHENSION CHECK

- 1. Read the text and answer the questions.
- 1 Why do Scottish people celebrate 25th January?
- 2 Which Burns poem is famous all around the world?
- 3 What food is eaten at a Burns Night supper?
- 4 How is Burns' poetry remembered?
- 5 Who wrote about Scottish conflicts with another country?

□ NATIONAL HOLIDAYS IN YOUR COUNTRY

- 2. Answer the questions.
- Is there a holiday or celebration linked to the life or works of a famous person in your country? Who?
- Imagine you can choose one person from your country's history to celebrate, who
 would it be? What would the best way be to celebrate him or her?
- · What do you consider the most important celebration in your country? Why?

■ WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- 3. Look at these statements. Do you agree or disagree with them? Give your reasons.
- It's important for a country to celebrate its national identity.
- National festivals exclude people who come from other cultures.
- Increasing national pride and makes people more closed to outsiders.
- The past is an important part of our present and we should never forget it.