Guy Fawkes

13 April 1570 - 31 January 1606
English soldier

Early life
* born and educated in York
* father died when he was 8
* converted to Catholicism
* traveled to Spain to fight in the 80 years war

Gunpowder plot:
• 5th November 1605
• attempt to assassinate King James I
• plot led by a group of English Catholics
• Guy Fawkes = in charge of the explosives
• plot revealed by an anonymous letter
• plot failed
• conspirators = arrested and sentenced to be hanged

Guy Fawkes night / Bonfire night
# annual commemoration on November 5th
* bonfire and extravagant fireworks display
# Remember, remember the fifth of November

Gunpowder treason and plot,
I see no reason why the gunpowder treason
should ever be forgot