



Comic Relief is a UK-based charity with a vision of a just world, free from poverty. They created Red Nose Day.

On Red Nose Day, millions of British people wear red clowns' noses for a very good cause.

Red Nose Day is a day to raise money to help charity projects in developing countries and in Britain.

In 1985, there was a terrible famine in Ethiopia. A group of British comedians did humorous shows for this serious cause. In 1988, they started Red Nose Day. They encouraged the population to buy and wear red clowns' noses.

From 1988 to 2015, Red Nose Day raised 1 billion pounds (1.19 billion euros)!

Comedians and schoolchildren are the stars of Red Nose Day. Comedians make funny TV shows and serious documentaries. In 2015, six million school children participated and they raised £7.1 million! A popular activity is having a special "red no uniform day".



These schoolgirls have got funny red noses and antennae. Their teacher has got a cool red beard!

Help

billion (n) one thousand million (1,000,000,000)
buy (v) to give money in exchange for a product
developing countries (exp) the poorest countries. Opposite: developed countries, western countries
raise money (exp) collect money
wear (v, rhymes with air) I wear a school uniform: a shirt, trousers and tie.

Red Nose Day is every two years in Britain. In 2017, it is 24 March. In 2015 Red Nose Day started in the U.S.A. In 2017, it is 25 May.



Singer Ed Sheeran supports Red Nose Day. He visited a project for street children in Liberia, East Africa. The project helps children who have no parents after the recent Ebola epidemic. It helps children find families and return to school.

There are 10 different Red Nose Day nose characters.



1. Introduce the document (type of document, source, date, title, ...).

2. Global comprehension:

- Read the text and **highlight**:

In yellow → indication of PLACES

In green → indication of TIME

In blue → indication of PEOPLE (names)



In orange → indication of ACTIONS (important verbs)

- Be ready to **talk about** the topic

The text is about ...

3. Detailed comprehension:

- Find the **equivalent** of the following expressions:

 (synonyms)	 (translation)
Funny (adj) =	Raise money (vb) =
Support (vb) =	

- **Complete** the following grid with **information about "Red Nose Day"** from the text:

What "Red Nose Day" is			
When it started (Date)			
Where it is celebrated (Place)			
People who created "Red Nose Day"			
What people do on "Red Nose Day"			
How they raise money			
Celebrity supporting "Red Nose Day"	Name:	Job:	Location and role of the project:

- **Work on the numbers:**

1. Match the numbers with the words. Note that in English, we use commas to separate thousands.

1. 1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> a. nineteen eighty-five
2. 1985	<input type="checkbox"/> b. seven million one hundred thousand pounds
3. 2017	<input type="checkbox"/> c. ten
4. 24	<input type="checkbox"/> d. twenty seventeen or two thousand and seventeen
5. £7,100,000	<input type="checkbox"/> e. one million
6. €1,190,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> f. one billion one hundred and ninety million euros
7. 10	<input type="checkbox"/> g. twenty-four

2. Can you write these numbers in words?

a. £1,000,000,000: _____

b. 2015: _____

c. 1988: _____

3. Match the numbers with the things they refer to in the article.

1. 1985	<input type="checkbox"/> a. number of years between two Red Nose Day events
2. 1,000,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> b. year of the terrible famine in Ethiopia
3. 24/03/2017	<input type="checkbox"/> c. amount of pounds raised between 1988 et 2015
4. 2	<input type="checkbox"/> d. number of school children who participated in 2015
5. 6,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/> e. date of this year's Red Nose Day