



Bull Gores Runner During San Fermin Festival; 12 Injured

Description

A runner was gored in the face during a bull run at Spain's San Fermin festival on Saturday. Many other runners were lucky not to be seriously hurt. The event took place in Pamplona, where six bulls and some steers raced down narrow streets filled with excited people.

The bulls knocked several runners down, causing chaos as some fell and created pileups. The run lasted about two and a half minutes, ending at the bull ring where bullfighters will later kill the bulls. One runner needed medical attention after being struck by a horn, while twelve others had minor injuries. An American runner from Florida broke his ankle but plans to continue participating.

A black bull separated from the group early in the run and charged into people, hitting one person in the face. Many runners did not notice the bulls coming up behind them and simply pushed them away instead of running. This run was the fifth of the eight-day festival, which celebrates 100 years since the publication of Ernest Hemingway's novel "The Sun Also Rises."

There have been no deaths at the bull runs since 2009, but injuries are common, especially with many inexperienced runners joining the event.

Vocabulary List:

1. **gored** //gɔrd// (verb): hurt by an animal's pointed horn
2. **steers** //stɪrz// (noun): male cattle, usually raised for meat
3. **pileups** //ˈpaɪlʌps// (noun): several people who fell and piled on each other
4. **bullfighters** //ˈbʊlˌfaɪtərz// (noun): people who fight bulls in a ring
5. **inexperienced** //ˌɪnɪkˈspɪəriənst// (adjective): not having much skill or practice
6. **charged** //tʃɑrdʒd// (verb): ran quickly toward someone to hit them

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Where did the bull run take place?

Option: Madrid



- Option: Barcelona
- Option: Pamplona
- Option: Valencia

2. How many bulls raced down the streets during the event?

- Option: Four
- Option: Six
- Option: Eight
- Option: Ten

3. How long did the run last?

- Option: One minute
- Option: Two and a half minutes
- Option: Three minutes
- Option: Five minutes

4. What type of injuries did the runners sustain?

- Option: Severe injuries
- Option: Minor injuries
- Option: No injuries
- Option: Only psychological injuries

5. What was the occasion for the festival?

- Option: 100 years since the publication of a novel
- Option: 200 years since the founding of the city
- Option: 50 years of bullfighting
- Option: The anniversary of Hemingway's birth

6. From which state did the American runner who broke his ankle come?

- Option: California
- Option: Florida
- Option: Texas
- Option: New York

True-False

7. The bull run was the first event of the eight-day festival.



8. Many runners were seriously injured during the bull run.
9. An American runner suffered a broken ankle.
10. There have been no deaths at the bull runs since 2015.
11. The run ended at a bull ring.
12. The bulls in the run included steers.

Gap-Fill

13. The event took place in _____.
14. The run lasted about two and a half minutes, ending at the bull ring where _____
will later kill the bulls.
15. The bull run was the fifth of the _____ festival.
16. An American runner from Florida broke his ankle but plans to continue _____.
17. There have been no deaths at the bull runs since _____.
18. Many inexperienced runners are _____ the event.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Pamplona 2. Six 3. Two and a half minutes 4. Minor injuries 5. 100 years since the publication of a novel 6. Florida

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. True

Gap-Fill: 13. Pamplona 14. bullfighters 15. eight-day 16. participating 17. 2009 18. joining

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