



Unmissable Santa Cruz Arts & Entertainment Events: Dec. 4-11

Description

Here are nine fun things for the week. It's parade weekend in Santa Cruz.

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Credit: [The Expendables](#)

The Expendables are a famous band from Santa Cruz. They play reggae-rock music and have many fans. They will play at The Catalyst on Saturday night. It's a great place to see them.



Santa Claus in the holiday parade Credit: Crystal Birns

This Saturday at 10 a.m., the Downtown Holiday Parade will happen. There will be over 1,200 people in the parade! Come enjoy the fun!

Remember to check out "A Christmas Carol" at the Veterans Memorial Building. It's a classic story. Have a great week!

Vocabulary List:

1. **Expendables** /ɪk'spɛndəblz/ (noun): A group of people or things that are considered expendable; in this context referring to the band.
2. **Reggae-rock** /'rɛɡeɪ rɒk/ (noun): A musical genre that combines reggae and rock music elements.
3. **Catalyst** /'kætə,lɪst/ (noun): A person or place that causes or accelerates a change or event; in this context a popular venue for performances.
4. **Parade** /pə'reɪd/ (noun): A public procession typically of a festive nature involving people marching together to celebrate an event.
5. **Classic** /'klæsɪk/ (adjective): Traditional or of longstanding significance; in this context referring to a well-known story that remains popular.



6. **Veterans** /'vetərənz/ (noun): People who have served in the military; in this context referring to a place associated with military history or events.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Where will The Expendables be playing on Saturday night?

Option: The Catalyst
Option: Veterans Memorial Building
Option: Downtown Holiday Parade
Option: Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk

2. What type of music do The Expendables play?

Option: Reggae-Rock
Option: Jazz
Option: Classical
Option: Pop

3. What time will the Downtown Holiday Parade happen?

Option: 10 a.m.
Option: 2 p.m.
Option: 8 a.m.
Option: 6 p.m.

4. Where should people go to see "A Christmas Carol"?

Option: Veterans Memorial Building
Option: The Catalyst
Option: Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk
Option: Downtown Holiday Parade

5. How many people will be in the Downtown Holiday Parade?

Option: Over 1,200
Option: 500
Option: 5,000
Option: 150



True-False

6. The Expendables are a famous band from Santa Cruz.
7. The Downtown Holiday Parade will feature Santa Claus.
8. The event "A Christmas Carol" is not mentioned in the text.
9. The Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk is hosting the Downtown Holiday Parade.
10. The Expendables will perform at the Veterans Memorial Building.

Gap-Fill

11. The Expendables play _____ -rock music.
12. The Downtown Holiday Parade will begin at _____ a.m.
13. People should visit the _____ to see "A Christmas Carol."
14. There will be over _____ people in the parade.
15. The event "A Christmas Carol" is a _____ story.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. The Catalyst 2. Reggae-Rock 3. 10 a.m. 4. Veterans Memorial Building 5. Over 1,200

True-False: 6. True 7. True 8. False 9. False 10. False

Gap-Fill: 11. reggae 12. 10 13. Veterans Memorial Building 14. 1,200 15. classic

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What element is often used in storytelling to create unexpected moments?
Option: Character
Option: Expendables



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- Option: Dangerous
Option: Surprise
2. Which music genre combines elements of reggae and rock music?
Option: Catalyst
Option: Reggae-rock
Option: Veterans
Option: Thanksgiving
3. What benefit can customers get to save money on their purchases?
Option: Subscription
Option: Discount
Option: Membership
Option: Trial
4. What activity involves capturing scenes for a movie or TV show?
Option: Ends
Option: Accident
Option: Filming
Option: Injury
5. What emotion do people express during the Thanksgiving holiday?
Option: Team
Option: Thankful
Option: Rest
Option: Parade
6. Who possesses or has control over something?
Option: Spoilers
Option: Owner
Option: Famous
Option: Selfie
7. Who are individuals with significant experience in a particular field?
Option: Classic
Option: Veterans
Option: Thanksgiving
Option: Actor
8. What status allows access to exclusive benefits in a club or organization?
Option: Subscription
Option: Discount
Option: Membership
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Option: Trial

9. What component in a story's development adds depth and complexity to the plot?

Option: Character

Option: Different

Option: Expendables

Option: Reggae-rock

10. What term is used for a package containing goods or documents?

Option: Dangerous

Option: Parcel

Option: Veterans

Option: Thanksgiving

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. Watching a thrilling movie is an _____ experience that keeps viewers on the edge of their seats.

12. Many cities organize a _____ to celebrate national holidays or special occasions.

13. To access exclusive content users can purchase a monthly _____ to the streaming service.

14. Using coupons and shopping during sales can result in significant _____ on purchases.

15. After a long day at work it is important to take some time to _____ and recharge.

16. Action movies often feature a group of skilled individuals known as the _____ who carry out dangerous missions.

17. During the Christmas _____ families gather to exchange gifts and enjoy festive meals together.

18. To capture a solo photo many people extend their arm and take a _____ with their



smartphone.

19. Celebrities and public figures often become _____ due to their work in movies music or sports.

20. Working with heavy machinery without proper safety precautions can be extremely _____.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. Each snowflake is unique just like the fingerprints of human beings.
22. The introduction of new technology served as a catalyst for positive changes in the company.
23. Leonardo DiCaprio won an Oscar for his role in "The Revenant."
24. The athlete had to withdraw from the competition due to a severe injury.
25. Collaboration and teamwork are essential for the success of any project.
26. The car skidded on the wet road leading to a minor accident with no injuries.
27. Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" is considered a classic piece of literature.
28. Taking a break and getting enough rest is crucial for maintaining good health.
29. The story had a surprising twist at the end that left the audience stunned.
30. Meryl Streep is known for her versatility and talent as an actress in the film industry.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Surprise 2. Reggae-rock 3. Discount 4. Filming 5. Thankful 6. Owner 7. Veterans
8. Membership 9. Character 10. Parcel

Gap-Fill: 11. Exciting 12. Parade 13. Subscription 14. Saving 15. Rest 16. Expendables 17. Holiday 18. Selfie
19. Famous 20. Dangerous

Matching sentence: 1. Different 2. Catalyst 3. Actor 4. Injury 5. Team 6. Accident 7. Classic 8. Rest 9. Ends
10. Actor



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