

WOODSTOCK ROCK FESTIVAL

Choose the best option from the words in the table on the right.

The Woodstock Festival was a three-day pop and rock concert that turned out to be the most popular music (1) _____ in history. It became a symbol of the hippie (2) _____ of the 1960s.

Four young men organized the festival. The (3) _____ idea was to stage a concert that would (4) _____ enough money to build a recording studio for young musicians at Woodstock, New York.

At first many things went wrong. People didn't want any hippies and drug (5) _____ coming to the original location. About 2 months before the



Young visitors on their way to Woodstock

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concert a new (6) _____ had to be found. Luckily, the organizers found a 600-acre large dairy farm in Bethel, New York, where the concert could (7) _____ place. Because the venue had to be changed not everything was finished in time.

The organizers (8) _____ about 50,000 people, but as the (9) _____ came nearer it became clear that far more people wanted to be at the event. A few days before the festival began hundreds of thousands of pop and rock fans were on their (10) _____ to Woodstock. There were not enough gates where tickets were checked and fans made (11) _____ in the fences, so lots of people just walked in. About 300,000 to 500,000 people were at the concert. The event caused a giant (12) _____ jam. Thousands simply left their cars parked on roads and highways and walked to the site.

On Friday, 15 August 1969 the festival (13) _____ started. Joan Baez, Arlo Guthrie and other folk artists performed. On Saturday Santana, Janis Joplin, The Who and others starred on stage. Most people started (14) _____ on Sunday. When Jimi Hendrix was the last musician on the (15) _____ only about 25,000 fans were still present.

1	affair	event	happening	occasion
2	campaign	society	change	movement
3	final	original	creative	unusual
4	raise	donate	spend	afford
5	pushers	extremists	addicts	revolutionaries
6	position	situation	site	space
7	get	make	do	take
8	expected	assumed	demanded	imagined
9	meeting	date	engagement	point
10	direction	path	route	way
11	tears	cracks	holes	cuts
12	traffic	car	travel	transfer
13	properly	totally	officially	correctly
14	moving	travelling	leaving	attending
15	performance	act	stage	theatre
16	While	During	When	Because
17	lied	lain	lay	laid
18	despite	While	Although	Nevertheless
19	faced	managed	accepted	handled
20	turned	got	became	finished

(16) _____ the whole festival people took drugs and (17) _____ around naked. The rain turned the whole place into one big muddy site. (18) _____, Woodstock was a big success, even though the organizers were (19) _____ with a debt of over a million dollars. A short time later a film about the festival (20) _____ a big hit.