

## Cheese Rolling

**Read the text and the statements about an unusual event. Find evidence from the text that the statements are true. Write down the line and the exact wording from the text (max. of 12 words).**

### Cheese-Rolling at Cooper's Hill (Last Monday in May)

Cheese-rolling is a quirky English tradition dating back hundreds of years. The premier event is surely the Cooper's Hill Cheese-Rolling and Wake, held near Gloucester in the United Kingdom each Spring Bank Holiday Monday.

- 5 At noon, a round of Double Gloucester cheese is rolled down the hill, and one second later the competitors start to chase it. The hill, however, is very steep and rough, and many competitors stumble, tumble and slide down the hill in pursuit of the cheese. Further races follow, with "uphill races" in  
10 between. If you want to participate, entry is on the day and is free.

- Injuries are frequent. The 2008 first race was won by Chris Anderson, who "was stretched off wearing a neck brace on a spinal board after hurting his back as he finished head over heels", although no lasting harm was done. Mark Cooper came  
15 in third in the 2008 second race, before noticing that he had "quite a big hole" in his knee, so the St John Ambulance medics patched him up before taking him to hospital, where he "spent the next four days having two operations under general anaesthetic".

- The competition is not being held in 2010 due to concerns about crowd  
20 management, but the organizers hope to be back in future years.



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	Line	Evidence from the text
0. Cheese-Rolling is an old English custom.	1-2	<i>"English tradition dating back hundreds of years."</i>
1. Running down the hill is really difficult for the participants.		
2. The winner of 2008 race was injured.		
3. Another participant needed to stay at a clinic after the event.		