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Cloze The Story Answer Key

1. **Riverton** - The setting of the event.
2. **bands** - A key feature of the parade.
3. **mayor** - Led the parade.
4. **dragon** - Main highlight carried by students.
5. **fireworks** - Closing event in the park.

Teacher Notes / Guide

- This activity strengthens **summarizing skills** by requiring students to identify **key details** instead of retelling everything.
- Accept slight variations (e.g., "marching bands" vs. just "bands").
- Encourage students to highlight sentences in the passage that contain the answers before filling in the summary.
- Extension: Have students write their own 3-4 sentence summary of the passage without blanks, then swap with a partner to turn it into a cloze activity.