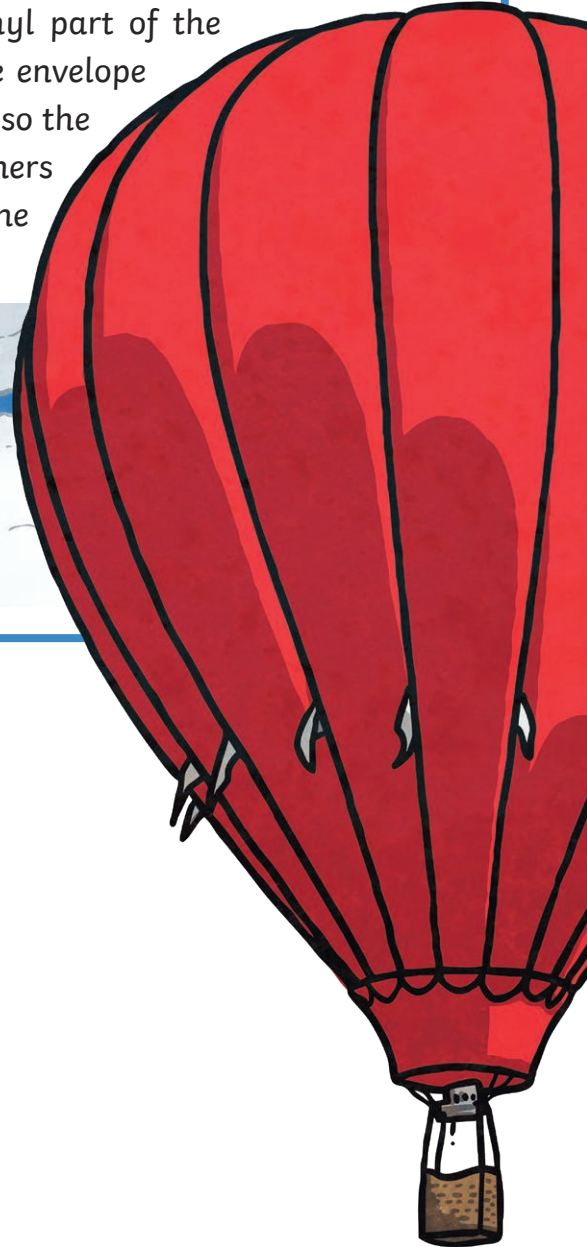




Hot Air Balloons

Hot air balloon festivals are held throughout the year. The activities at festivals can include races, rides, and "night glows." Night glows are when lit balloons are held in place on the ground at night and look like huge glowing lightbulbs!

A hot air balloon has several parts. The envelope is the vinyl part of the balloon. This is the most common part people recognize. The envelope has a parachute valve that allows the driver to release hot air so the balloon can rise or sink. The envelope also contains the burners that produce the hot air to fill the balloon. The last part is the basket that carries the driver and passengers.



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